

Ames Community Sustainability Task Force – Application for Appointment



The Ames Community Sustainability Task Force is charged with assisting the Ames City Council in developing a plan to achieve cost-effective energy reductions in the various sectors of our community through the focus on electrical energy consumption (and associated carbon emissions). It is anticipated that the work of this task force will begin in early October and be completed within a year. The full task force charge is on Page 4 of this application.

We are still searching for specific sector representation. Please consider serving on this task force, particularly if you can fill a sector that is not currently represented or has few applicants. ***Those sectors with no or few applications have been highlighted.***

For purposes of this committee, sectors are designated as the following:

- Business – 3 representatives
- Building Contractors/Developers – 2 representatives
- Residential – 3 representatives
- Religious Organizations – 2 representatives
- Civic Organizations – 2 representatives
- School District Administration – 2 representatives (NO applicants)
- Non City Government – 2 representatives
- Government of the Student Body Director of Sustainability – 1 representative

There are multiple ways to take part in the Ames Community Sustainability Task Force:

1. Task Force Sector Representative
 - Attends bimonthly Task Force meetings – 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, 7-8:30pm.
 - Attends additional working or informational meetings as determined by the Task Force facilitator and membership
 - Chairs a subcommittee of sector representatives - Identifies a subcommittee of sector representatives and facilitates (minimum) one monthly meeting of the subcommittee
 - Assumes active role in fulfilling the sector-specific action items of the Task Force charge
2. Sector Subcommittee Representative
 - Attends (minimum) monthly meetings of the Sector Subcommittee
 - Attends additional working or information meetings as determined by the Sector Subcommittee Chair and membership
 - Assumes active role in assisting the Sector Subcommittee Chair to fulfill the sector-specific action items of the Task Force charge
3. Sector Consultants
 - Assists in an “as needed” capacity to provide expertise and assistance to Sector Subcommittee in fulfilling the sector-specific action items of the Task Force charge

To indicate your interest in any of the above opportunities, complete the form below and return it by hand, email, or fax to:

City Clerk's Office	jripperger@city.ames.ia.us
515 Clark Avenue	
Ames IA 50010	FAX: (515) 239-5142

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor

Date: _____

Name: _____

Are you a resident of Ames? _____ If a resident, how many years have you lived in Ames? _____

Home Address: _____

Do you own your home? (Yes/No): _____

Work Address: _____

E-mail: _____

FAX: _____

Home Phone: _____

Occupation: _____

Work Phone: _____

Highest Level of Education: _____

Check the sectors you feel you are qualified to represent for this Task Force.

- _____ Business
- _____ Building Contractors/Developers
- _____ Residential
- _____ Religious Organizations

- _____ Civic Organizations
- _____ School Districts
- _____ Non City Government

For each of the sectors you have checked, note the number of years you have been actively involved in that sector.

- _____ Business
- _____ Building Contractors/Developers
- _____ Residential
- _____ Religious Organizations

- _____ Civic Organizations
- _____ School Districts
- _____ Non City Government

Indicate your preference for Task Force involvement (1=highest preference, 3=lowest preference).

- _____ Task Force Sector Representative
- _____ Sector Subcommittee Representative
- _____ Sector Consultant

Please describe your leadership experience in the sectors you have a desire to represent.

Please describe any particular qualifications, expertise, or experience you have that you believe are relevant and beneficial to the charge of this Task Force.

Please discuss your involvement in community organizations and/or other ways you give back to your community.

Why do you want to be involved in the completion of this Task Force’s charge?

Please discuss your interest and involvement in sustainability.

Please read the following section carefully before submitting the form.

In accordance with Section 362.5, Code of Iowa, goods and services shall not be purchased from any City officer, or from the spouse or immediate family member of a City officer, or from any business in which a City officer, or the spouse or immediate family member of a City officer shall own an interest. This prohibition does not apply to:

- (a) contracts made by competitive bidding in writing, publicly invited and opened.

- (b) contracts in which a City officer has an interest solely by reason of employment if the contract is for professional services not customarily awarded by competitive bid, if the remuneration of employment will not be directly affected as a result of the contract, and if the duties of employment do not directly involve the procurement or preparation of any part of the contract.

- (c) a contract in which a City officer has an interest if the contract was made before the time the officer was elected or appointed.

(d) a contract with a corporation in which a City officer has an interest by reason of stockholdings when less than five percent of the outstanding stock of the corporation is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the officer, or the spouse, or immediate family of such officer.

(e) contract not otherwise permitted by this section, for the purchase of goods or services by the City, which benefit a City officer, if the purchases benefiting that officer do not exceed a cumulative total price of one thousand five hundred dollars in a fiscal year.

Officers include Task Force Sector Representatives

I certify that the information supplied herein is correct and that any applicable conflicts of interest, in accordance with the above section of this application, are noted below.

Ames Community Sustainability Task Force Charge

While the concept of Sustainability includes a broader vision for environmental, economic, and social issues, the initial charge for the Task Force is to assist the Ames City Council in achieving cost-effective energy reductions in the various sectors of our community through the focus on electrical energy consumption (and the associated carbon emissions).

While the City Council has established an internal goal to reduce carbon emissions in our City operations by 15% by the end of 2014, there has been no formal effort on the part of the City to motivate the actions of other sectors of our community to reduce their energy consumption.

In order to achieve energy reductions throughout the community, the Task Force is being asked to focus externally (non-City operations) on the various sectors represented on the Task Force and to develop a plan that includes the following action items:

- Prepare a baseline electrical consumption resource for the various sectors;
- Recommend electrical energy reduction targets and develop strategies to achieve these targets for the various sectors and the community;
- Provide a list of “best practices” that have been proven successful in reducing energy consumption for the various sectors and the community;
- Create an educational strategy for the community as to the importance of electrical energy reduction and offer actions that the various sectors and the community can take to reduce consumption;
- Identify any impediments to electrical energy reduction targets that exist in City ordinances.