# MAYOR'S ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2011

**The Mayors' Environmental Advisory Committee is pleased to submit a summary of its activities for the second quarter (April 1st to June 30th) of 2011:**

## GOVERNANCE AND MEETINGS

MEAC held three regular meetings during the second quarter of 2011: April 18, May 16 and June 20.

## DELEGATIONS HEARD

At it's April 2011 MEAC meeting, the committee heard three delegations:

- Colleen Kuruluk, the Manager of Marketing Programs at Manitoba Hydro spoke to Hydro's various Power Smart programs.
- Eric Witkowski, an engineer from Manitoba Hydro spoke to LED street lighting projects in the City of Winnipeg.
- Gerald Alcock of the City of Winnipeg's Public Works Department was present to address questions regarding Public Works Specific Questions around City lighting projects and other energy conservation initiatives.

At the May 2011 meeting the committee heard a presentation by Tim Yusishen, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Solar Solutions on solar energy.

In June 2011 MEAC received a presentation on "Education for a Sustainable Future" from Carolee Buckler, Co-Chair of the Manitoba Education for Sustainable Development Working Group (Province of Manitoba) and Jackie Avent, Active and Safe Routes to School Program Coordinator (Green Action Centre).

## MEAC'S ACTIVITIES

On Saturday May 7, 2011, MEAC convened for a full day strategic planning session. A review of current and emerging priorities was completed. Development of a 3-year strategic plan will be continued in the third quarter of 2011.

## RECOMMENDATIONS MADE TO THE MAYOR

The Committee put no recommendations forward during the second quarter.

## PLANS FOR 2011 AND BEYOND

**Renewal of Strategic Plan**
During the third quarter of 2011, development of a 3-year MEAC strategic plan will continue.

## HISTORY

**Section 4.1 of the Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Environmental Advisory Committee (MEAC) states that** "MEAC shall provide advice and informal reports to the Mayor as requested and shall report formally to the Mayor with recommendations on a quarterly basis. Recommendations provided by MEAC will flow through the Mayor to City Council and / or the City's Public Service, as required."

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