

Air Quality

November 17th, 2021

11:00am-12:00pm

Zoom



Notes

I. Welcome and Introductions

- 13 attendees; 4 Camden residents/businesses

II. Hot Topics

- Takeaways from NJ Neighborhood Sun Presentation: Randi Orlow
 - Idea is so that EVERYONE can participate in energy revolution (no installation)
 - Share of a solar farm, like a CSA
 - **Get credits on PSE&G bill, then pay second solar bill**
 - How to market Neighborhood Sun in Camden
 - Want to partner with community orgs to spread the word. NJ Neighborhood Sun can make donations to community groups who help them sign up residents to the project
 - Email Randi Orlow (randi@neighborhoodsun.solar) for more information on this
 - Information materials posted on the CCI website [here](#)
- Yaffa & Sons Property – Soil Pile
 - Response from property owner; they have retained council
 - Judge determines what's next with news coming early December
- Block 1 lot 1
 - No response to the lawsuit filed yet
 - This issue is on the judiciary side now, out of NJDEP hands

III. Air Quality

- NJDEP Air/Odor Complaint Report
 - 2 citizen complains since the last CCI meeting; both were investigated and no violations were found
 - Clarification: NJDEP can only report what is called in to the NJDEP communications center, they do not report from Camden County
- Current Issues
 - Covanta Update:
 - Bag house: Phase I done
 - Bought out by EQT (sustainability oriented) to be finalized by the end of the year
 - Plan to start to hold public meetings in the beginning of the year for EJ bill compliance
 - Meeting with elected officials
 - 3rd parties to hold meeting, handouts to describe bag house (hand out at events)
 - [Camden Iron & Metal](#): Air Pollution Control Permit Construction of New Source Application, Front & Pine Streets, New Facility

- Still under review
- Idling issues: Tim Davis from NJDEP is the contact
 - focused his Camden enforcement investigations to the Southern part of Camden
- c. Opportunities
 - EPA Air Pollution Monitoring [Funding](#) (American Rescue Plan, Fall 2021)
- d. Key Next Steps

IV. Traffic Management

- a. Current Issues
 - Camden County Port Access Truck Route Public Meeting takeaways
 - a. Considering an option without a bike lane on these streets in Waterfront South
 - i. Meeting Thursday (11/18) with the city and county to discuss the future of the bike lane network in Camden
 - b. Not monitoring air quality: assuming this project will not increase or decrease air pollution via trucks
 - c. Piloting temporary striping where curbs would be extended as a pedestrian improvement
- b. Key Next Steps

V. Additional Information/Resources

- a. Tire Fire in Philadelphia: speak to Luis Lim of NJDEP for details on its effect in Camden
 - Nov. 9th PM2.5 reading was not extremely out of the usual at [70 AQI reading](#)
 - 70 corresponds to *“Moderate: Air quality is acceptable; however, for some pollutants there may be a moderate health concern for a very small number of people who are unusually sensitive to air pollution.”*
- b. Revisit 2021 [Air Working Group Action Plan](#): progress, reorientation, edits to actions
- c. Environmental Summit 2021: November 23rd
 - Follow CCI’s [Facebook](#) and share posts
 - For those who attended, please fill out the feedback survey [here](#)
- d. Armando: moving to office of enforcement policy

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Next Meeting: CCI Air Quality Working Group Meeting, December 8th at 11 am