

Newton Citizens Commission on Energy January 10, 2018 Agenda



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The January 2018 meeting of the Newton Citizens Commission on Energy will be held: Wednesday evening, January 10th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Room 204.

Agenda (Any other business properly brought to the Commission's attention)

(Review of November 2017 minutes)

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New Business To be discussed

- **1. Community Choice Aggregation (Newton Power Choice)** -- Next steps by the City, by Peregrine, by Newton Coalition for Climate Action
- **2. Newton Energy Action Plan 2018** scope, and what do we know about hard goals? How the Energy Commission can contribute. First step we can help with, updating the energy and emissions baseline with new information from Ngrid and Eversource.
- **3. PV Net Metering Issues.** Late 2017 decision on Eversource's proposal affecting large solar PV arrays and potential impacts on Newton's existing solar projects. DOER, Northeast Clean Energy Council, UMASS, the Attorney General's office, the Mass Energy Council and a number of State Senators and Reps have all supported the municipalities' challenge to the proposed rate change.
- **4. 2018 plans in Newton Schools and other buildings** for energy related improvements, including new construction (Lincoln Eliot) and retrofit work on-going with Preferred Vendor Programs
- **5. 2018 plans for additional solar**: will the City continue to work with Power Purchase Agreements, that do not allow us to deduct the green electrons from our carbon footprint? Or can we justify at last outright ownership?