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Department of Planning & Housing

TO:

Planning & Zoning Commission

FROM:

Sam Perry, Planner

DATE:

May 6, 2009

SUBJECT:

Renewable Energy in Neighborhoods Update

As a follow-up to the February 18, 2009 Planning & Zoning Commission Workshop and the March 28, 2009 City of Ames Energy Fair, an "Open House" to engage public participation regarding renewable energy in neighborhoods is being held:

Renewable Energy in Neighborhoods Open House

City Hall Council Chambers 515 Clark Avenue 6:00 pm Monday, May 18, 2009

A more detailed explanation of the meeting format and objectives will be posted on the Planning Division website prior to the meeting:

http://www.cityofames.org/HousingWeb/Planning/planIndex.htm

At the Open House, an explanation will be given of the current zoning regulations. The scale model of a wind turbine and solar panels used at the Energy Fair booth will be available for public interaction. Graphics and photos of examples from other urban environments will be provided as discussion points. Potential changes to the zoning ordinance will be discussed. No official City board or commission actions will occur at this open house. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate!

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Mayor, City Council
Steve Schainker, City Manager
Susan Gwiasda, Public Relations Officer
Donald Kom, Director, Electric Administration
David Brown, Building Official
Historic Preservation Commission
Zoning Board of Adjustment