

*Citizens Committee on U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement*



**Mission:**

1. Encourage citizens to be a part of the solution
2. Encourage City staff and citizens to conserve current resources
3. Work with the City Council to implement ideas
4. Effectively address the future impacts of climate change

**Committee Members:**

**Members:** Steve Bernheim, Carolyn Chapel, Wes Gallaugher, Wayne Grotheer, Hank Landau

**City Staff:** Mayor Gary Haakenson, Steve Fisher, Sally Lider, Noel Miller, Rob Chave, Jen Machuga, Jim Stevens, Linda Carl

*Meeting Agenda*

**February 5, 2009**

1. Earth Day, April 22	Gary
2. Downtown merchant energy diet	Steve B.
3. Miscellaneous	All
4. Next meeting date – <b>Thursday, March 5</b>	

*Meeting Notes*

**December 11, 2008**

**1. “Climate Change: The science is not settled”**

Doug Hansen is a certified geologist and certified engineering geologist. He began his studies of global air pollution while completing his Masters of Science in 1972, and has been studying global warming ever since. Mr. Hansen gave a presentation that provided a differing viewpoint on global warming, and he shared data that contradicted some of the statistics that support global warming. He concludes that the earth’s climate is controlled by the sun, the greenhouse effect is controlled by water vapour, and that CO<sub>2</sub> is only a minor player in the climate scheme. His résumé and complete presentation can be found on the City’s website.

**2. Preliminary results of local commercial electric consumption survey.**

Steve B. distributed a graph showing electricity output for various retail, offices, and homes for one week in December, which included energy consumption between midnight and 6 a.m. Steve indicated that in order to achieve our GHG goals, we must cut electricity usage as well, particularly during the early morning hours.