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## Environment Committee Meeting IRA Direct Pay, Rebates & Tax Incentives

February 20, 2024, 10-11:30 a.m. CT

Please register in advance for the Zoom meeting with the link that was sent to Committee members.

## 1. Opening Comments

*Kevin Burns*, Mayor, City of Geneva; Environment Committee and Energy Subcommittee Chairman; Executive Board Chairman, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

2. Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Funding for Clean Energy & Sustainability Projects

a. Overview of IRA Funding for Clean Energy and Sustainability Projects Carolyn Berndt, Legislative Director for Sustainability on Federal Advocacy Team, National League of Cities (NLC)

**b.** Alliance for a Sustainable Future and IRA Report *Kassidy Klein,* Environment Staff Associate, U.S. Conference of Mayors

c. Direct Pay Overview and Project Examples Bill Abolt, Vice President, Energy, AECOM

**d. Direct Pay Process and Community Capacity Considerations** *Michael Gleeson*, Legislative Director, Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations, Federal Advocacy Team, NLC

- 3. City of Chicago Leveraging Direct Pay Jared Policicchio, Deputy Chief Sustainability Officer and Deputy Commissioner, City of Chicago
- 4. IRA Customer-Facing Tax Credits and Rebates Joey Lee, she/her, Carbon Free Buildings Coordinator, Citizens Utility Board
- 5. **Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Update** *Edith Makra, Director of Environmental Initiatives, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus*
- 6. Closing Kevin Burns

Next meeting: March 19, 10-11:30 a.m., Regional Air Quality and Municipal Influence

<u>GRC</u> objectives: L10 – Participate with regional, state, and federal initiatives to plan and achieve sustainability MO3 – Leverage state, federal, private grants, and resources to advance sustainability <u>Climate Action Plan</u>: Collaborate and build capacity.

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