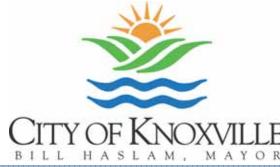


### City of Knoxville Energy & Sustainability Initiative

Budget Retreat Madeleine Weil, Policy & Communications February 16, 2009



### Sustainability Leadership



- •Reduce vulnerability to rising energy prices
- Reduce local contribution environmental harm
- Provide transportation choices and reduce congestion
- Preserve and protect natural beauty
- Pursue economic development

Quality of life

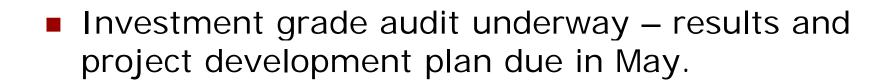




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### **Energy Services Performance Contract**

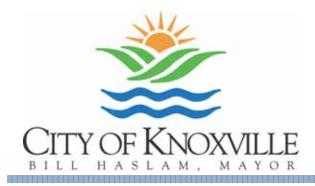
an independent energy solutions company



MAYOR

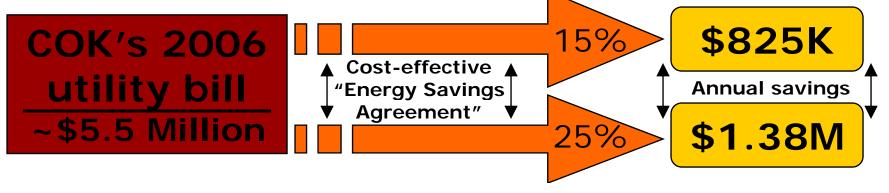
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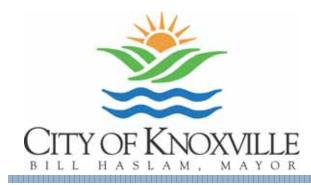
Facilities	Utilities
~100 Buildings	Electricity
■~40 Parks	Natural Gas
3 Golf Courses	Water
Streetlights	Wastewater



### Potential ECM's and benefits

- Lighting retrofits and upgrades
- Water conservation upgrades
- Energy controls HVAC, programmable thermostats, vending machines
- Replace inefficient boilers, chillers, pumps
- Building envelope windows, doors
- Water treatment optimization at city pools
- Biogas digester
- Solar hot water heaters and solar power generation





### 2009 Economic Stimulus Opportunity

- Billions available for energy efficiency and renewable energy.
- Project is "shovel ready" construction to begin August 2009.
- ~200 jobs (Chamber estimate, Implan model) – includes direct, indirect and induced.

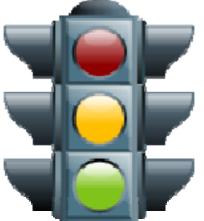
Lots of questions remain about how funds will be allocated and which projects will be eligible.

Engineering



## **LED Traffic Signals**

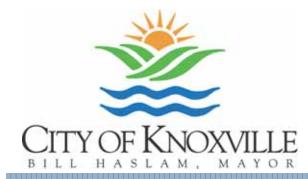
- Invested \$781,500 from the '07-'08 budget surplus to fund LED signals.
- ~45% complete... anticipate completion Summer 2010.
- Use 90% less energy. When complete, energy savings ~\$280K/year plus maintenance savings.



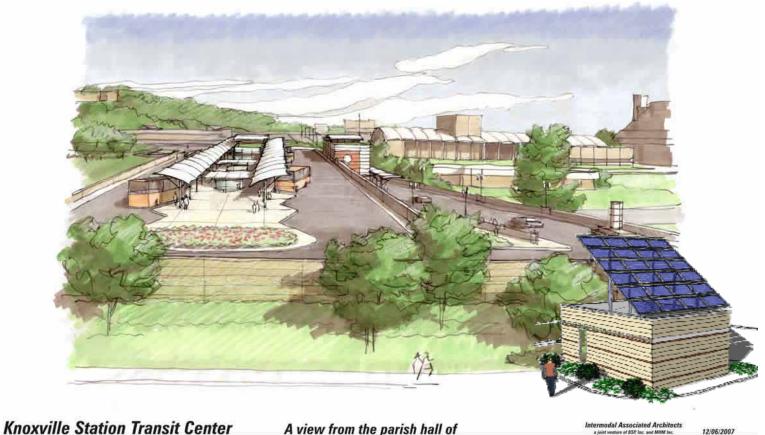
- Reduce 3.8 mill kWh/year (roughly equivalent to 316 households).
- Reduce city government carbon emissions by 3.5%

Coming soon to downtown... pilot project with EPRI, TVA, KUB to field test and certify LED streetlights.

PBA, KAT



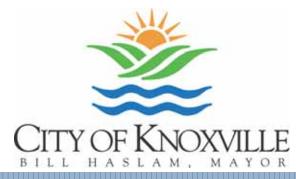
#### **Downtown Transit Center LEED-NC**



Knoxville, Tennessee

A view from the parish hall of First Presbyterian Church looking east

ntermodal Associated Architects 12/06/2007 a joint venture of BSP; Inc. and MHM In with Von Grossmann & Co.



### Selected Features LEED-Silver

- 42% better energy performance versus ASHRAE baseline.
- 30% water use reduction.
- Geothermal and solar energy.
- Materials recycled content, regional, nontoxic.
- AVL and diesel particulate filters.
- Exhibit highlighting archeology, sustainable building components.

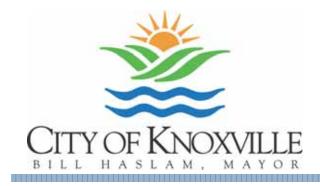
KAT's Transit Development Plan will provide short-term guidance plus long-term vision for enhancing public transit in Knoxville.





- Putting tools in place to better manage fuel consumption.
  - Fuel data system automatically downloads mileage.
  - AVL system route analysis, idling reduction.
  - Design fuel delivery systems so that new fuels can be added at lower cost.
    - All new vehicles are flex-fuel... can use E85.
- "Right-sizing" vehicles for their purpose.

**Public Services** 

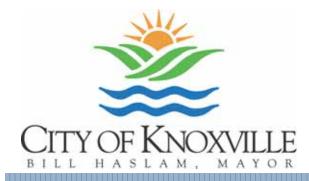


# Recycling

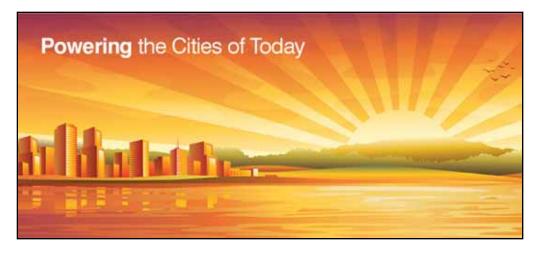
- Single-stream recycling in CCB.
  Partnering with PBA and County.
- Selected by Climate Group and American Beverage Association for "Model City" initiative.
  - Goal: Improve recycling participation and diversion of recyclable materials city-wide.
  - \$200,000 in technical services: public option survey, waste audit, financial analysis. Results expected in Spring.

The global economic downtown has resulted in a total collapse in the market for recycled materials.

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### Knoxville Solar America Cities Program

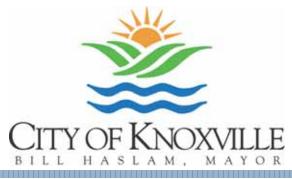


- High visibility demonstration projects
- Workforce development
- Public outreach
- Research and analysis to reduce barriers to deployment.

#### Knoxville's Goals:

*To facilitate mainstream adoption of solar power. Achieve local deployment of 3 MW by 2015.* 



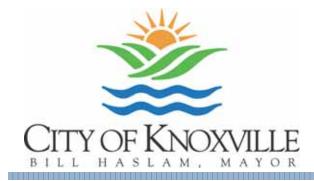


## Solar PV and the ESPC



TVA – December solicitation for clean power resources 1.2 MW Foot in the door

**Community Development** 



### Energy Affordable Housing

# Building only Energy Star certified new homes (20-30% more efficient).

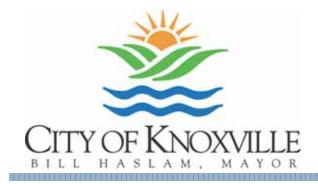
CAC and KHP built seven new LEED-gold affordable homes through CD's blighted properties program.





*Economic Stimulus opportunity: weatherization and efficiency* 

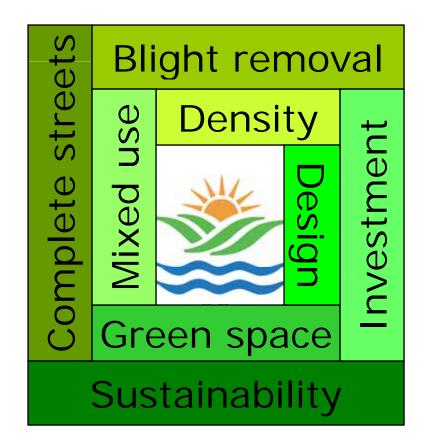
All Departments

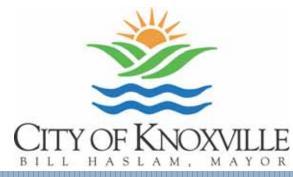


# **Growing Inward**

Disinvestment to Investment

- Downtown
- South Waterfront
- Cumberland Avenue
- Downtown North
- Magnolia-Warehouse District





## **Other Projects**

- Parks and greenway development
- Storm water management
- Environmentally-preferable purchasing
- International Energy Code enforcement
- Green Power Switch®
- Green energy jobs focus
- "Brown Bag, Green Book"
- Electric vehicle charging infrastructure

*Next steps include continuing implementation of existing programs, releasing inventory analysis and strategic planning reports, setting targets, bringing Task Force together for ongoing planning and implementation assistance.*