

CONSENT-BASED SITING PUBLIC MEETING

Chicago, Illinois
March 29, 2016

Speakers and Panelists

The Honorable Mayor Al Hill



Al Hill was born and raised in “The Region,” home of the oil refineries and steel mills of northwest Indiana. He graduated from high school in 1968 and then attended Loras College until he was inducted into the U. S. Army in 1970. After serving as a Military Policeman he was honorably discharged in 1972 and enrolled at Indiana University.

He married Christine Fisher in 1973. Al graduated from Indiana with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1975, majoring in Political Science and Forensic Studies.

The following year he again graduated from Indiana with a Master of Science Degree in Public Recreation and Park Administration.

In June of 1976, Al was hired by Chuck Paxton to manage the Zion Ice Arena for the Zion Park District. He became Superintendent of Recreation in 1978 and served in that position for three years. In the meantime, Al and Chris became the proud parents of two wonderful daughters. The Hills then moved to Stevens Point, Wisconsin in 1981 where Al served as Director of Parks, Recreation, Forestry and Telecommunications for a period of five years.

In 1986, Chuck Paxton retired from the Zion Park District and Al was selected to replace him as the Director of Parks and Recreation. While Director, Al guided the Park District through the financial difficulties that followed the closing of the nuclear power plant, renovated Shiloh Pool, supervised the construction and operations of Shepherds Crook Golf Course and expanded recreation opportunities throughout the District. He retired in 2008.

Al was elected to the Zion City Council in 2013 and served the Zion community as Commissioner of Building, Public Property and Zoning. He was elected Mayor on April 7, 2015.



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Acting Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy John Kotek



John Kotek currently serves as Acting Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The Office is responsible for conducting research on current and future nuclear energy systems, maintaining the government's nuclear energy research infrastructure, establishing a path forward for the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive nuclear waste management program, and a host of other national priorities.

Prior to his appointment as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, John was the Managing Partner of the Boise office of Gallatin Public Affairs, a public affairs and strategic communications consulting company. John advised energy, natural resources and other clients facing complex communication and government relations challenges.

From 2010-2012, John served as Staff Director to the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future, which recommended a new strategy for managing nuclear waste in the United States. John led the development of the Commission's final report to the Secretary of Energy, engaged in regular communications with Congressional and White House staff, and served as media spokesperson.

From 2003-2006, John was Deputy Manager of DOE's Idaho Operations Office. In that role he was responsible for development and management of the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) contract and interface with the INL cleanup effort. Before joining DOE in July 2003, John worked for Argonne National Laboratory as the Generation IV and Nuclear-Hydrogen Programs Manager. He directed Argonne's participation in the Generation IV technology roadmapping project, an international effort focused on evaluating and developing the next-generation of nuclear energy systems. In 2002, John was the American Nuclear Society's Glenn T. Seaborg Congressional Fellow. John served in the Office of Senator Jeff Bingaman (D-NM), Chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

John started his career with DOE's Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology. He held several positions during his nine years with DOE-NE, including Associate Director for Technology, Associate Director for Management and Administration, and Chief of Staff.

John holds a Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Illinois and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maryland.

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Director of Nuclear Energy Information Services David Kraft



David A. Kraft grew up in the Chicago area, graduating from Lane Technical High School. As an undergraduate he attended Northwestern and Northeastern Universities, where he majored in astronomy and psychology respectively. He also attended the Industrial Areas Foundation/Alinsky Institute for Social Change.

Mr. Kraft worked as a social rehabilitation worker and clinical therapist in Chicago for nearly 12 years. With seven other environmental activists, he founded the Nuclear Energy Information Service (NEIS) in 1981 to provide the public with reliable information on nuclear power, radiation hazards, and energy alternatives to nuclear. He is currently director of the organization.

Mr. Kraft has given presentations about nuclear power hazards, alternative energy and other environmental issues to every academic grade level from second grade through graduate school. He presented at the Student Environmental Action Coalition's national meetings in '90 and '91; and the '99 student EConference 2000 in Philadelphia. For five years he was one of the lead organizers for the Nuclear Free Great Lakes Action Camps, training the next generation of anti-nuclear activists.

He is a past member of the Green Energy Task Force of Great Lakes United, and Environmental Educators Association of Illinois; was co-founder and a lead organizer of Earth Day '90 Chicago; served on organizing boards of Earth Week Evanston and Chicago Earth Month; and was a planning "steward" for EarthDay Chicago 2000. He previously served on the Boards of the Environmental Fund of Illinois and Illinois Student Environmental Network, and now sits as a Board member of EarthShare Illinois. He is on the Steering Committee for Climate Justice Chicago on the global warming and environmental justice.

Mr. Kraft served as a member of the Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety's Citizen Advisory Group on Low-Level Radioactive Waste from '85-'92; the national Nuclear Waste Citizens Coalition from '96-'99; the Evanston Energy Alternatives Task Force from '89-'93; and the Evanston Energy Commission from '93 to '01. He was co-organizer for the international World Depleted Uranium/Uranium Weapons Conference in Germany in '03; "Nuclear Power and Children's Health" in Chicago in '04; "Citizen Epidemiology—The Next Step" in Evanston in '05; "Chernobyl +20: Remembrance for the Future" in Ukraine in '06; the National Grassroots Summit & Forum on Radioactive Waste Policy in Chicago in '10; and "A Mountain of Waste 70 Years High: Ending the Nuclear Age" at the University of Chicago in '12. He completed the training under former Vice President Al Gore to deliver the Climate Project PowerPoint given by Gore in the movie *An Inconvenient Truth*.

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The Honorable Commissioner of the Illinois Commerce Commission Ann McCabe



Ann McCabe was appointed to the Illinois Commerce Commission in March 2012. She focuses on retail electric choice, grid modernization, nuclear waste, and cyber security issues. She chairs the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Nuclear Issues Subcommittee and is vice president of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference of 14 state public utility commissions. She was the past president of the Organization of PJM States, Inc. (OPSI).

As a principal of two consulting firms, Commissioner McCabe performed policy analysis and advocacy on energy and environmental issues for trade associations, corporations, and environmental non-profits. In the 1990s, she managed environmental and fuels regulatory issues at Amoco and BP. She covered nuclear issues as an associate director in the State of Illinois Washington, DC office.

Commissioner McCabe holds an M.A. in public policy from the University of Chicago and a B.A. in political science from Williams College.

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Professor Robert Rosner



Robert Rosner is a theoretical physicist on the faculty of the University of Chicago since 1987. He served as Argonne National Laboratory's Chief Scientist (from 2002), and Laboratory Director from 2005-2009. He was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, as a Fellow of the American Physical Society and as Foreign Member of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. Most of his scientific work has been related to fluid dynamics, applied mathematics and computational physics, especially in the development of computer simulation tools, with a particular interest in complex systems. Within the past few years, he has been increasingly involved in energy technologies, and public policy issues that relate to the development and deployment of various energy production and consumption technologies, and energy use in urban environments. As an outgrowth of these interests, he co-founded the Energy Policy Institute (EPIC) at the University of Chicago, spanning the Harris School of Public Policy, the Booth School of Business, and the Department of Economics.



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Director of the Organizing and Strategy of the Little Village Environmental Justice Organization Kimberly Wasserman



Kimberly Wasserman is the Director of Organizing and Strategy of the Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (LVEJO), where she has worked since 1998. As Director she oversees the community projects, leadership development and outreach. Kimberly looks to the day La Villita will be a strong sustained community and until that day she continues to work on the frontline. In 2013, Mrs. Wasserman was the recipient of the Goldman Prize for North America.