

Energy and Resiliency Advisory Board City of Vergas

The Energy and Resiliency Advisory Board met on Thursday, January 15, 2026, 5:30pm, at the Vergas Event Center Meeting Room.

Attendance:

2026	Jan 15						
Julie Bruhn	P						
Alex Ohman	A						
Bruce Albright	A						
Cal Miller	P						

- **P: Present. A: Absent**

Guests: Nataly Vardanyan, Luca Moser, Marko Kolehmainen

1. Due to lack of quorum, no formal meeting proceedings conducted.

2. Update provided on revised timeline on solar installation at the event center. New timeline:
 1/26-1/30 battery roof build out (battery room blueprint complete)
 3/9-3/13 electrical schedule
 5/8-5/12 roof ground schedule

 Due to delay in solar installation, discussed delaying the resiliency fair until solar panels and battery bank installed.

3. Information noted that the CDH-Vergas Fire Hall has an opportunity for solar grant. This is being reviewed at the Fire Board annual meeting on February 2nd. The two board members present were in support of this.

4. The guest attendees present were from Wadena and came due to interest in the work of Vergas and to gather information regarding their beginning work in Wadena to address energy, sustainability and resilience. An overview of the Vergas experience was provided and questions addressed.

5. Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

6. Next scheduled meeting is February 19, 2026. May change meeting date based on a request placed to GreenStep program and availability of an advisor to attend a meeting to provide a more detailed overview on best practices and entry on website.

No Recommendations for action for City Council

Recorder
s/p Julie Bruhn