

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COUNCIL TO LA PORTE INDUSTRY

'Update' Was the Theme of the January CAC Meeting

When summarizing the topics of the January meeting of the Citizen's Advisory Council (CAC) to La Porte Industry, *update* was the common thread.

Plants were asked to *update* the membership on any major expansion or shutdown plans, major process changes, or major turnarounds planned for 2023. In an *update* to a previous announcement, Manny Cabrera, Dow La Porte's Plant Manager, spoke on how his site is being impacted by the construction and expansion activities at Dow's Freeport site. Jorge Pino, Plant Manager, OxyChem Battleground, spoke on the plant's plan to *update* their process to a newer technology, which is more energy efficient, and which will expand the site's production capacity.

Plants shared in small group discussions what steps they have made to *update* and improve their resiliency with regards to the electrical grids. The discussions included any *updates* made to storm planning, winterizing of the facility, or what factors went into the decision-making process.

There were *updates* to the CAC's facilitation team, as Charlotte Sasek joined the team as Facilitation Associate. Facilitator Tiffany Miller presented information on the *updated* way to submit address changes via the website.

The CAC meets again on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 with "Meet the New Agency Night: Gulf Coast Protection District and San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group." Watch for details at www.laportecac.org or call 713-851-1116.

The CAC is a forum for candid and constructive dialogue between those who live or work in La Porte, Morgan's Point, and Shoreacres and the managers of 43 chemical plants in La Porte. Visitors are welcome. To attend one of the 6 p.m. meetings, contact a member or email the CAC facilitator at info@laportecac.org. The group meets again November 1, 2022 for follow-up reports on three major environmental and/or safety events in 2021. The CAC shares information about its meetings and presentations at www.laportecac.org.