



# City of Ann Arbor

## Meeting Minutes

### Environmental Commission

301 E. Huron St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
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Thursday, December 6, 2018

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second  
floor, City Council Chambers

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#### CALL TO ORDER

*Chair Needham called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.*

**Approved as presented**

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 12 - Christopher L. Graham, Susan Hutton, Robert Needham, Chip Smith, Karie Slavik, John Mirsky, Mike Appel, Joshua Rego, Shannan Gibb-Randall, Anne Bannister, John Callewaert, and Stephen C Brown

**Absent:** 1 - Allison Skinner

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Hutton, seconded by Energy Commission Rep. Mirsky, that the agenda be approved. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**18-2050** Minutes from the 10-25-18 Environmental Commission meeting

**Attachments:** 10-25 minutes rev 3.pdf

**A motion was made by Graham, seconded by Brown, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 12/24/2018. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

#### PUBLIC COMMENTARY

*David Schonberg and Jeff Alson both spoke in support of Commission's resolution to increase Ann Arbor's preparedness in case of a nuclear incident.*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Bylaws**

**18-1835** Draft Environmental Commission Bylaws Edits - Redline Version

**Attachments:** Bylaws 10-25-18 draft redline.docx

**18-1836** Draft Environmental Commission Bylaws Edits - clean version

**Attachments:** Bylaws 10-25-18 draft clean.docx

**18-2057** Approval of Environmental Commission Bylaws

**Attachments:** bylaws with resolution.docx

**A motion was made by Graham, seconded by Hutton, that the Resolution be Approved by the Commission. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Nuclear Emergency Planning**

**18-1857** A Municipal Resolution to Strengthen Nuclear Emergency Planning for Ann Arbor, MI

**Attachments:** A Municipal Resolution to Strengthen Nuclear Emergency Planning - Environmental Commission.docx

**Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the Council Policy Agenda Committee**

**18-1858** Nuclear Radiation and the Thyroid

**Attachments:** Nuclear Radiation and the Thyroid.docx

**18-2018** A Resolution to Harmonize Radiological Emergency Planning for KI Stockpiling around the Fermi-2 Nuclear Power Station

**Attachments:** ki\_12062018\_ann-arbor (3).pptx

*Paul Gunter from Beyond Nuclear gave a very informative talk about how Ann Arbor could be better preparing its citizenry to stay safer in the event of a nuclear incident, such as a problem at the Fermi 2 nuclear power plant. Specifically, Mr. Gunter talked at length about the prophylactic benefits of timely ingestion of potassium iodine to prevent radioactive iodine from reaching the thyroid.*

### **Solid Waste**

**18-2076** Solid Waste Programs Updates

**Attachments:** Solid Waste Programs  
Updates\_PowerPoint\_2018-12-06.pdf

**18-2077** Solid Waste/Recycling Program Area Status Updates

**Attachments:** Solid Waste Programs Updates\_PowerPoint\_2018-12-06  
rev2.pdf

*City of Ann Arbor staff, Cresson Sloten, gave a detailed update and overview of the programs, plans, and finances of the City's solid waste efforts and responded to questions from Commissioners. [The video for this segment runs between 40:50 and 2:25:20.]*

**18-2048** Solid Waste Fund Financials Oct 2018

**Attachments:** FY 2018 SOLID WASTE FUND UPDATE memo.docx

**18-2058** Resolution to Delay RFP postings for Solid Waste Services until completion of APTIM Report

**Attachments:** 181206ResolutionSWRMP\_FINAL.docx

*[The video for this segment runs between 2:25:00 and 2:36:20.]*

**A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that the Resolution be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

### **Ann Arbor Climate Emergency**

**18-2081** Ann Arbor Climate Emergency: Resolution Endorsing the Declaration of a Climate Emergency to Restore a Safe Climate

**Attachments:** Ann Arbor Climate Emergency Resolution rev2.pdf

**A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Energy Commission Rep. Mirsky, that the Resolution be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

### **Policy Action Agenda Ideas**

**18-2054** Environmental Commission Policy Action Agenda Ideas

**Attachments:** Environmental Commission policy agenda ideas\_MS.pdf

*Commissioners will contact Dr. Stults with any ideas for the policy action items by the end of the month.*

**Proposed Meeting Dates for 2019: Jan 24, Feb 28, Mar 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, Aug 22, Sept 26, Oct 24, Dec 5**

*Commissioners reviewed the proposed dates for 2019.*

### **REPORT FROM COMMITTEES AND CHAIR**

*No committee reports. Chair Needham reported that he is working on a proposed workplan for 2019 and that February's meeting will be a facilitated brainstorming session. Councilmember Bannister reported on a Safe Routes to School project that she has been working on that has run into some difficulties.*

### **REPORT FROM STAFF**

*Dr. Stults reported that Commissioners should direct all questions for staff through herself and/or Emily Drennen. The Office submitted several proposals during the past couple weeks. She also reported that a budget adjustment of \$250,000 was approved by Council. Work has commenced on the Office's FY 2020/21 budget. She also spoke about an upcoming community event about climate. Matt Naud retired. The Office is still accepting applications for the Sustaining Ann Arbor grant program. She also reported that staff will not be printing out agenda packets starting with the January meeting.*

**ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

*January: Brian Steglitz (PFAS), Jen Lawson (stormwater), City Administrator Lazarus (budget planning), and possibly an item about solid waste regionalization*

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

*January 24, 2019 at 7pm*

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

*David Schonberg spoke again about the nuclear preparation resolution.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Needham adjourned the meeting at 9:54pm.*

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