



# City of Ann Arbor

## Formal Minutes - Draft

### Environmental Commission

301 E. Huron St.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
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Thursday, October 22, 2020

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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#### CALL TO ORDER

#### ROLL CALL

##### Approved

**Present:** 11 - Christopher L. Graham, Robert Needham, Karie Slavik, Mike Appel, Shannan Gibb-Randall, John Callewaert, Stephen C Brown, Jonathan Overpeck, John Mirsky, Rita Mitchell, and Marie Gabrielle Buendia

**Absent:** 1 - Allison Skinner

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Postponed until meeting on December 3, 2020*

**Approval of minutes postponed until meeting on December 3rd**

#### PUBLIC COMMENTARY

*There were no public comments*

#### OLD BUSINESS

**20-1618**

**Attachments:** Bylaws Environmental Commission 9-23-20 draft.pdf

**Approve the bylaws as written except for the one correction. I will find out they passed unanimously**

**20-1616**

**Attachments:** 2019 GHG Inventory\_Environmental Commission Presentation.pdf

**NEW BUSINESS****20-1620**

**Attachments:** ECResSEASProposal.pdf

*Jason Talent is recruiting a student team*

**20-1617**

**Attachments:** Draft4FloodFringeResolution.pdf

*Flood fringe draft: Last resolve removed “on properties” in paragraph. Postponed to the next meeting for December 3rd. Need more edits and a deeper look by commissioners, including Commissioners’ community engagement with the landowners potentially affected by restrictions on flood fringe development, particularly those 35 objecting in a October 18 email to the Planning Commission.*

**Postponed**

**Preliminary discussion of 2021 goals 10 MINS**

*Preliminary Discussion of 2021 goals postponed to Dec 3rd 2020 by Chairman Stephen Brown*

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR**

*NFC Working Group: Continuing work on tree ordinances, including soil compaction during construction*

*Solid Waste Working Group: none*

*Planning Commission: Reviewing CID methodology, Floodplain Overlay Zoning, and Tree Destruction incidents*

*Park Advisory Commission: North Side Food Forest grace period, evaluation proceeding April-Nov 2021. Residents are demanding more community gardening opportunities. Leslie Park cleanup completed*

*Energy Commission: Electronic Vehicle ordinance first reading is on Council agenda for Nov. 16*

*Council: SWRMP approval by Council, staff is advancing on a Downtown Alleys plan. Residents are encouraged to contact UM Regents about carbon neutrality goals and coordination with A2zero.*

*Chair: No updates*

**REPORT FROM STAFF**

*No staff updates*

**ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

*Quarterly solid waste updates: would like to ensure reports are issued regularly going forward*

*Micro Plastics and their impacts in the environment as a possible upcoming meeting topic*

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

*Dec. 3, while legislative override of Governor's Emergency Powers introduced ambiguity over whether this meeting will be online or in place at City Hall.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

*No public comments*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Action Points:**

*1) Rita Mitchell will engage with Staff and residents on recommendations to restrict building on the Flood Fringe.*

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