

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, February 22, 2024

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

Environmental Commission

CALL TO ORDER

LAND HERITAGE STATEMENT

ROLL CALL

- Present:** 8 - John Callewaert, Stephen C Brown, John Mirsky, Rita Mitchell, Bridget Gruber, Dharma Akmon, Anya Dale, and Brooks Curtis
- Absent:** 4 - Lisa Disch, Christopher L. Graham, Sara Nedrich, and Maisie Weyhing

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice-Chairperson Brown, seconded by Commissioner Gruber, that the agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

Agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[24-0234](#) Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes 1-25-24

A motion was made by Commissioner Mirsky, seconded by Councilmember Akmon, that the minutes be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared by motion carried.

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to City Council due back on 3/4/2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No callers for public comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

[24-0265](#) 2024 Status Update on Solid Waste Resources Management Plan

(SWRMP) Recommendations

Sarah Mason, Resource Recovery Manager for the City of Ann Arbor, discussed progress on the Solid Waste Resources Management Plan and recent changes to the composting program.

24-0236 Beneficial Electrification Memorandum 1-22-24

At the request of City Council, Commissioners discussed City staff recommendations provided in the Beneficial Electrification Memorandum. Councilmember Akmon will report out to Council.

24-0268 Table 5.29-1 of the Unified Development Code (UDC): Site Plan Review and Approval

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR

Circular Economy Working Group – Commissioner Callewaert reported out.

Biodiversity Working Group – Chairperson Mitchell reported out.

Water Quality Working Group – Vice-Chairperson Brown reported out.

Planning Commission – No report provided.

Energy Commission – Commissioner Mirsky reported out.

Parks Advisory Commission – No report provided.

Transportation Commission – Councilmember Akmon reported out.

Council Report – Councilmember Akmon reported out.

Chairperson Report – Chairperson Mitchell reported out.

REPORT FROM STAFF

24-0253 Staff Updates for Environmental Commission 2-22-24

Staff liaison Erin Donnelly reported out.

24-0254 City Comments on Draft Gelman Discharge Permit 2024

Staff liaison Erin Donnelly provided a summary of City comments on draft Gelman discharge permit.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be on March 28, 2024 at 7:00pm

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No callers for public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm

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