

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, May 22, 2025

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

Environmental Commission

CALL TO ORDER**LAND HERITAGE STATEMENT****ROLL CALL**

- Present:** 9 - Christopher L. Graham, Rita Mitchell, Sara Nedrich, Anya Dale, Brooks Curtis, Hank Peters-Wood, Jennifer Cornell, Jon Mallek, and Anne Marsan
- Absent:** 4 - Stephen C Brown, John Mirsky, Maisie Weyhing, and Olivia Smyth

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-1051 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes_04-24-25

A motion was made by Commissioner Dale, seconded by Councilmember Mallek, that the Minutes be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 6/16/2025. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Five callers called in to support the proposed Biodiversity/ Natural Features resolution.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Second Reading: Environmental Commission Recommends the Inclusion of Natural Features Sustainability in Ann Arbor Planning and Development.

25-0633 Environmental Commission Recommends the Inclusion of Natural Features

Sustainability in Ann Arbor City Planning and Development

A motion was made by Councilmember Cornell, seconded by Commissioner Graham, that the Resolution be approved as amended by the Commission and Forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 6/16/2025. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

Discuss Draft Bylaws of the Sustainability Commission

25-0866 Draft Bylaws of the Sustainability Commission

The group discussed the revised bylaws of the Sustainability Commission.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR

25-1066 Environmental Commission Working Group Reports

*Circular Economy Working Group – Chairperson Curtis reported out
Biodiversity Working Group – Chairperson Curtis reported out
Water Quality Working Group – Vice-Chairperson Nedrich reported out
Planning Commission – No report provided
Energy Commission – No report provided
Parks Advisory Commission – Commissioner Marsan reported out
Transportation Commission – No report provided
Council Report – Councilmember Cornell reported out
Chairperson Report – Chairperson Curtis report reported out*

REPORT FROM STAFF

25-1055 Staff Updates for the Environmental Commission May 2025

Staff liaison Erin Donnelly reported out.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

This was the final meeting of the Environmental Commission, pending City Council decision. Meetings will resume as the Sustainability Communication, schedule to be determined.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No additional callers for public comment.

COMMUNICATION

[25-1092](#) Various Communications to the Environmental Commission

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