

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, April 24, 2025

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

Environmental Commission

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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[25-0862](#) Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes_03-20-2025

A motion was made by Vice Chair Brown, seconded by Councilmember Cornell, 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

Seven callers called in support of the Biodiversity Resolution.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

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

[25-0633](#) Environmental Commission Recommends the Inclusion of Natural Features Sustainability in Ann Arbor City Planning and Development

The Commission discussed the staff redlines to the resolution, and decided to table the second reading until the May 22nd meeting after revisions could be made.

Discuss Draft Bylaws of the Sustainability Commission

25-0866 Draft Bylaws of the Sustainability Commission

The Commission discussed the draft bylaws of the Sustainability Commission. Staff will present a revised version at the May 22nd meeting.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR

*Circular Economy Working Group – Commissioner Brown 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 – Commissioner Mirsky reported out
Parks Advisory Commission – Chairperson Curtis reported out on behalf of Commissioner Marsan
Transportation Commission – No report provided
Council Report – No report provided
Chairperson Report – No report provided*

REPORT FROM STAFF

25-0864 Staff Updates for the Environmental Commission April 2025

Interim staff liaison Sean Reynolds reported out.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

*Biodiversity resolution
Sustainability Commission Bylaws*

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be on May 22, 2025 at 7pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

One caller called in to support the Biodiversity resolution.

COMMUNICATION

[25-0894](#) Various Communications to the Environmental Commission

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08pm.

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