

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 6, 2018

4:30 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second Floor, City Council
chambers

Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ramsburg called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Stephanie Buttrey, Jennifer Fike, John Ramsburgh, Jean Cares, Robert Gordon, Julie Grand, Stefanie Stauffer, and Alexander Perlman

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Buttrey, that the Agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, Chairman Ramsburgh declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [18-2052](#) Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2018

A motion was made by Commissioner Buttrey, seconded by Commissioner Gordon, that the meeting Minutes of October 4, 2018 be approved as amended by the Commission as follows and forwarded to the City Council:

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Absent: [1 - Perlman] 0.

On a voice vote, the Chairman Ramsburg declared the motion carried.

Note: [] Brackets indicate deleted language.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

4 SPEAKERS MAXIMUM - 5 MINUTES SPEAKING TIME. Sign up must take place prior to the meeting by notifying the chair or city staff. This section of public commentary is limited to items related to the agenda.

Daniella Olawale, a student from Huron High School said she was

present to observe the Commission's meeting for a class assignment.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Staff Update

Emy Brawley introduced Remy Long to Commission. Mr. Long is the new Greenbelt Program Manager for the City.

Remy Long, introduced himself to the Commission and talked about his past work experience with Greenbelts.

2. City of Ann Arbor FY2020 Policy Agenda

Ms. Brawley informed the Commission about the City of Ann Arbor FY2020 Policy Agenda. She said that city staff has asked boards and commissions to weigh in on any concerns they may have regarding boards and commissions. A list of topic discussions were provided to the commission. She asked that the commissioners provide any feedback to Chairperson Fike who would relay the information to city staff.

3. [18-2051](#) 2019 Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC) Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Commissioner Buttrey, seconded by Commissioner Gordon, that the 2019 Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Dates be approved. On a voice vote, the Chairman Ramsburg declared the motion carried.

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

none presented.

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LAND ACQUISITION

A motion was made by Commissioner Buttrey, seconded by Commissioner Gordon, that the Commission enter into Closed Session to discuss Land Acquisition. On a roll call, the vote was as follows with the Chairman Ramsburg declaring the motion carried and the meeting recessed at 4:51 p.m.:

Yeas: 8 - Buttrey, Fike, Commissioner Ramsburgh, Cares, Gordon, Grand, Stauffer, and Perlman

Nays: 0

MEETING RECONVENED

A motion was made by Commissioner Grand, seconded by Commissioner Cares, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Co-Chairman declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 5:43 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

5 MINUTES MAXIMUM SPEAKING TIME - NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SPEAKING IN THIS SECTION.

MOTION 1

Commissioner Perlman move to commission an appraisal and to recommend to City Council to apply for USDA-NRCS Agriculture Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) funding for property identified in Application ID 2018-15. On a voice vote, Chairman Ramsburgh declared the motion carried.

MOTION 2

Commission Gordon moved, seconded by Commissioner Buttrey to recommend City acquisition of a conservation easement on the property identified in Application ID 2017-13 with funding from the USDA Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) and approval of the contribution of funds not to exceed \$213,750.00 from the Open Space and Parkland Preservation Millage. On a voice vote, The Co-Chairman declared the motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Grand said that Sheila Schueller was appointed to the Commission at City Council's last meeting and looked forward to having her start in January.

REPORT FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES

1. Executive Committee Report

The Committee met on November 27, 2018 and discussed projects that were raised in closed session. They reviewed City Council Policy Agenda items and discussed meeting dates for 2019 as well as Sheila Schueller as a candidate to the Commission.

2. Communications Committee

Commissioner Buttrey said that they still need a member to sit on the Communications Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Buttrey, seconded by Commissioner Cares, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, the Chairman Ramsburg declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.