

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

6:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

Sustainability Commission

CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL**

Present: 10 - Jonathan Overpeck, Rita Mitchell, Noah Levin, Mike Berkowitz, Jon Mallek, Jennifer Cornell, Anya Dale, Brooks Curtis, Olivia Smyth, and Mallika Kothari

Absent: 6 - Mark Hanss, Sara Nedrich, Carlene Colvin-Garcia, Stephen C Brown, Christopher L. Graham, and Mobin Mazloomian

NEW COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Overpeck, seconded by Commissioner Berkowitz, that the Agenda be Approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[25-1967](#) Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes_10-14-25

A motion was made by Commissioner Dale, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 12/15/2025. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

[25-1968](#)

Introduction to the Sesame Solar Unit

Bryce Frohlich, Community Resilience Specialist for the City of Ann Arbor, presented on the Sesame Solar Unit.

WORK GROUP UPDATES

Building Decarbonization - no work group meeting last month
Circular Economy (Returnable Containers) - the kick off meeting was held in October, where the group discussed the goals and vision for the work group.

Environmental Services Framework (ON HOLD)

Sidewalk Gap Filling Implementation - the work group discussed communication around the sidewalk gap filling program and continued working on a joint statement with the Transportation Commission that will express the city's desire to advance non-motorized transportation options while honoring environmental values.

Water Quality (Chloride) - the kick off meeting was held in October, where the work group reviewed available water quality data and began discussing next steps for source identification in Mallets, Swift Run, and Millers Creeks.

STAFF UPDATES

[25-1969](#) Staff Updates for the Sustainability Commission - November 2025

Erin Donnelly, city liaison, provided the staff update.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

The next meeting will be held virtually on December 9th at 6pm. Jason Bing, director of capital programs for Ann Arbor Public School (AAPS), will present on Net Zero Ready Schools, an AAPS sustainability initiative.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dale, seconded by Berkowitz, that the Meeting be Adjourned at 7:16pm. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

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