

Ann Arbor Environmental Commission 2023 Project Goals (drafted by SCBrown: brownsc6887@att.net)

Governance and Goal Setting Processes

1. Approve 2023 Calendar Approved as submitted
2. Tracking attendance and Working Group contributions (declarations of interest in Working Groups) Friday 5PM before the Commission meeting.. [Google-Sharepoint transition?](#)
3. Implementation of Metrics within the City. Ask staff to provide metrics proposed as relate to staff reports to the Commission.
4. Support A2Zero Working groups review A2Zero docs, discuss opportunities through Council and Staff reps.
5. Clarify application/recruitment process for commission members, especially Youth seats.
6. Strategize priorities for policies now that state legislature leadership has shifted (enable more local additions to State Building Codes, disposable plastics, e.g.). Council Policy Committee seeks input? SCB & RM
7. Confirmation with Commission members whose terms are expiring this year if they would like to seek reappointment (SReynolds) - <http://a2gov.granicus.com/boards/forms/460/apply>
8. Staff requests to present in February or March:
 - a. Keith Sanders would like to present on biosolids in February
 - b. Remy Long would like to present on Greenbelt millage uses and discuss invasive species soon.

Solid Waste (JCallewaert) + LD, SCB, (-AD, -MY- observers for now)

1. Zero Waste/Circular Economy
 - a. Does the commission plan to fully support the actions in the updated SWRMP or do we feel they need to be reevaluated? Invite Sarah Mason on SWRMP implementation and action, for February.
 - b. Is weighing in on step-wise targets included as an action, for example for traditional metrics like diversion rate and for the new CE metrics proposed by the metrics working group at the end of last year? Solid waste metrics & spending in Feb. as well.
 - c. How should we align our actions with eNGOs, the City and other key stakeholders? Planning Commission has already reviewed CIP at last meeting
2. Millage implementation plans
 - a. Provide timely input on spending priorities & allocations to Council. Sarah Mason ASAP

Water Quality(SCB) +RM, SG-R, MY, SN, (-AD)

1. Make swimming healthy in the Huron River, in collaboration with HRWC, City Staff, and other stakeholders:
<https://hrwc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=67e1fd1bbc9a44cf853cd78dd6d8219f>

2. Reduce nutrient pollution from Ann Arbor WWTP and Stormwater
3. Reduce Chloride pollution to the Huron River
4. Ongoing PFAS level monitoring in the Huron River and assessment of contamination of fish and other biota
5. Support EPA Superfund status for cleanup of Gelman 1,4-dioxane plume
6. Work with EGLE and WCWRC to clarify standard (0 ppb) and implement cleanup of 1,4-dioxane infiltration into Allen Creek Drain/Huron River.
7. Monitoring TCE in groundwater around Argus & Eaton (Armen Cleaner site)
8. Report on flood risk on properties across Ann Arbor.

Pollinators (RMitchell) + BG, AD, LO, SN, DA, (-MY)

1. Convert ornamental turfgrass to native plant habitats on public and private properties, focusing on large property owners and UM managers,.
2. Expand educational efforts to limit use of pesticides. IPM on private property
3. Investigate statewide ban on use of pesticides on private property
4. Annual report on volume/frequency of pesticide use on city property, and identification of target “pest”
5. Outreach to UM properties for all of the above

Natural Features (CGraham) JM, RM, AD, (-MY)

1. Leadership: Chris will work with other Commissioners to share leadership from March-December seasons, including group structure and maintenance of regular meetings.
2. Increasing Tree protection: significant ordinance changes step 1. Landmark & Heritage Tree definitions and protection
3. Natural Feature areas in City mapped using arcGIS.
4. Invasive Species: prioritize, develop plans for management on public and private properties, including educational information on priority species and alignment with resources available to attain SMART goals.
5. Review 2015 NF plan goals, with roles & responsibilities. PARKS & REC -PROS INTERACTION?
6. Effective Deer population management needs to be a priority.

Air Quality (Sean will present in 2023)

Transportation(Dharma will update monthly)

Workgroup volunteers are listed above. Commissioners Anya Dale and Maisie Young will receive communications, including invitations for every working group meeting for the time being.

ACTION POINTS:

SCBrown will: Invite Sarah Mason to present SWRMP goals and budget asks at February meeting

SCBrown & RMitchell will: Coordinate with City Council Policy Committee and report best practices back in February.

CGraham will: Present and lead first reading and discussion on DRAFT ordinances of the Natural Features Working Group at January 26 Meeting

SReynolds will: Present OSI Air Quality work at January 26 meeting.

SReynolds will: Post to Legistar October 27 presentation slidedecks of Brian Steglitz and Jennifer Petosky.

Future Meeting agendas:

- 1) January 26: Sean Reynolds (Air Quality), Chris (Review of Natural Features DRAFT ordinances).
- 2) February 23: SWRMP goals and budget asks (Sarah Mason); Biosolids (Keith Sanders)
- 3) March 23: Greenbelt millage uses and invasive species (Remy Long)
- 4) April 27:
- 5) May 25:
- 6) June 22:
- 7) July 27:
- 8) August 24:
- 9) September 28:
- 10) October 26:
- 11) November 30: