

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, March 20, 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, Rita Mitchell, Sara Nedrich, Brooks Curtis, Olivia Smyth, Jennifer Cornell, and Jon Mallek

Absent: 3 - Maisie Weyhing, Anya Dale, and Hank Peters-Wood

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

25-0632 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes 02-20-25

A motion was made by Commissioner Mirsky, seconded by Vice Chair Brown, that the Minutes be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 4/21/2025. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Two members of the public provided comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

25-0633 Resolution Supporting the Inclusion of Natural Features Sustainability in Ann Arbor City Planning and Development

First reading of the Resolution.

Discussion on Combining the Environmental and Energy Commissions to Create a Sustainability Commission.

Commissioners discussed the logistics of the merger of the Environmental and Energy Commissions.

Discussion on Solid Waste Education

Vice Chair Brown introduced the discussion on solid waste education.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR

*Circular Economy Working Group – Vice-Chair Brown reported out.
Biodiversity Working Group – Chair Curtis reported out.
Water Quality Working Group – Commissioner Nedrich reported out.
Planning Commission – No report provided.
Energy Commission – Commissioner Mirsky reported out
Parks Advisory Commission – Commissioner Marsan reported out.
Transportation Commission – No report provided.
Council Report – Councilmembers Cornell and Mallek reported out.
Chairperson Report – No report provided.*

REPORT FROM STAFF**25-0634** Staff Updates for Environmental Commission March 2025

Erin Donnelly, staff liaison to the Environmental Commission, provided the staff update.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next virtual meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on April 24, 2025 at 7pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

One member of the public provided public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.

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