

City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Formal Minutes

Thursday, September 28, 2023

7:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

Environmental Commission

CALL TO ORDER

LAND HERITAGE STATEMENT

ROLL CALL

- Present:** 8 - Lisa Disch, John Mirsky, Rita Mitchell, Anne Marsan, Bridget Gruber, Sara Nedrich, Anya Dale, and Brooks Curtis
- Absent:** 5 - Christopher L. Graham, John Callewaert, Stephen C Brown, Dharma Akmon, and Maisie Weyhing

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[23-1616](#) Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes 08.24.2023

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to City Council due back on 10/10/2023.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No callers for public commentary.

NEW BUSINESS

[23-1617](#) Presentation: Path to Citywide Returnables

Representatives from non-profits Perpetual, ZeroWaste.Org, and Recycle Ann Arbor presented on the background, purpose, vision, and plan for a citywide returnable containers program.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[23-1280](#) Annual Review of Environmental Commission Bylaws

Commissioners discussed proposed changes to the commission bylaws. Additional changes were recommended for review at the next meeting.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCIL, AND CHAIR

Circular Economy Working Group – Councilmember Disch reported out.

Biodiversity Working Group – Commissioner Curtis and Chairperson Mitchell reported out.

Water Quality Working Group – Commissioner Nedrich and Chairperson Mitchell reported out.

Planning Commission – Nothing to report out.

Energy Commission – Commissioner Mirsky reported out.

Parks Advisory Commission – Commissioner Marsan reported out.

Transportation Commission – Nothing to report out.

Council Report – Nothing to report out.

Chairperson Report – Chairperson Mitchell reported out.

REPORT FROM STAFF

[23-1618](#) Staff Updates for the Environmental Commission, September 2023

Staff liaison Sean Reynolds reported out.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be on October 26, 2023 at 7:00pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No callers for public commentary.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm.

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