

# City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 3, 2018

4:30 PM

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

**Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)**

#### CALL TO ORDER

*Fike called the Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Guy Larcum Jr. Building, 2nd Floor City Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron St. Ann Arbor, MI 48104*

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Stephanie Buttrey, Jennifer Fike, John Ramsburgh, Jean Cares, Siri Ibarguen, Robert Gordon, and Stefanie Stauffer  
**Absent:** 2 - Douglas Allen, and Julie Grand

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ramsburgh, seconded by Commissioner Stauffer, that the Agenda be Approved. On a voice vote, Chairperson Fike declared the motion carried.**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[18-0796](#) Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2018

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Cares, that the Minutes be Approved with changes. On a voice vote, Chairperson Fike declared the motion carried.**

#### 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.**

*Alex Pearlman, a potential candidate for the Greenbelt Advisory Commission, introduced himself and provided a brief description of his background.*

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

-SEAS PROGRAM MASTER'S PROJECT PRESENTATION: MEASURING IMPACT: EVALUATING THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND ECOLOGICAL SERVICES OF THE ANN ARBOR GREENBELT PROGRAM

*Patrick Bradley, Sharon Hu and Daniel Tanner presented to the Greenbelt Advisory Commission. Their presentation evaluated the*

*economic, social and ecological services of the City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program. A copy of the presentation is on file with the Clerk's Office.*

**OLD BUSINESS**

*None at this time.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

UPDATE ON COUNTY ENDOWMENT MEETING

*Commissioner Gordon attended the Washtenaw County Endowment Meetings and provided an update to the other Commission members.*

STAFF UPDATE:

-2018 BUS TOUR - JUNE 2

*Ruth Thornton reminded the Commission members of the upcoming bus tour on June 2, 2018.*

-MAYOR'S GREEN FAIR GREENBELT TABLE - JUNE 8

*Ms. Thornton also reminded Commission members that a Greenbelt Advisory Commission table will be set up for the Mayors Green Fair. Commissioner Buttrey has volunteer to assist for this event.*

-MEMO TO WASHTENAW COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

*A memo was forwarded to the Greenbelt Advisory Commission members regarding supporting a Washtenaw County Natural Area Preservation initiative. It was suggested that the Commission vote regarding supporting the Memo as presented. All voted no or opposed at this time.*

*Chairperson Fike suggested that the item be brought back to another meeting as an agenda item and assessed at that time.*

**NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

*Members of the Commission asked that the following topics be*

*considered for the next Agenda.*

*-Memo to Washtenaw County Park and Recreation Commission  
-Scoring Criteria*

#### **CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LAND ACQUISITION**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Buttrey, that the Greenbelt Advisory Commission enter into Closed Session. On a voice vote, Chairperson Fike declaring the motion carried:**

#### **MOTION 1**

**Motion to recommend City participation with Webster Township and Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission in the acquisition of a conservation easement on the property identified in Application ID 2011-03 and approval of the contribution of funds not to exceed \$91,800 from the Open Space and Parkland Preservation Millage.**

#### **MOTION 2**

**Motion to recommend City participation with Ann Arbor Township in the acquisition of a conservation easement on the property identified in Application ID 2017-07 and approval of the contribution of funds not to exceed \$315,500.00 from the Open Space and Parkland Preservation Mileage.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

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

*None at this time.*

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

*None at this time.*

#### **REPORT FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES**

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

*Commissioner Ramsburgh sharing the following updates:*

- Unlikely to have a summer internship for the communications committee.*
- Working on the annual letter that is sent to all Greenbelt Advisory Commission landowners.*

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

*The following items were discussed at the Executive Committee meeting:*

- Meet on April 30, 2018*
- Project updates*
- SEAS Project Presentation*
- Memo from Washtenaw County*
- Greenbelt Advisory Commission is still in need of one more Commissioner*

#### ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Commissioner Buttrey, seconded by Commissioner Stauffer, that the Greenbelt Advisory Commission meeting Adjourn. On a voice vote, Chairperson Fike declared the motion carried.**