



AGENDA

Sustainability Commission Meeting

7:00 PM - Monday, March 14, 2022
City Hall

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Heine
Commissioner Bayha
Commissioner Foley
Commissioner Gibbons
Commissioner Collin
Commissioner Simmons
Commissioner Michalowski
Council Liaison Wilcoxen
Staff Liaison Akers
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
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MINUTES

City of Ypsilanti SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEETING Virtual Meeting held via Zoom

Monday, December 13, 2021
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Keith Michalowski	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti City
Nancy Heine	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti City
Julia Bayha	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti City
Bryan Foley	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti City
Beth Gibbons	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti Township
Takunia Collins	Present	- Washtenaw County, Pittsfield Township
Desirae Simmons	Present	- Washtenaw County, Ypsilanti City

Also Present: Council Liaison Steve Wilcoxon
Staff Liaison Ron Akers, Public Services Director
Commission Recording Secretary, Nancy Hare-Dickerson

Additional Staff Present: Bonnie Wessler, Public Services Project Manager (Zoom Meeting Host)

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

U of M Resilience Hub team member Bryce Frohlich updated commissioners as to the status of the Resilience Team survey.

IV. PRESENTATIONS - none

V. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners shared updates of events and activities they are involved with and/or are working on as relates to sustainability. Some discussion topics included: Resilience Team survey; Michigan Green Communities Challenge; SEMIS Coalition; Glass Recycling; Resilience Hub-Parkridge; Peninsular Dam project; Earth Day; Washtenaw County Climate Action Plan; Robotic Gardening; Clark Road Housing Development project; State Environmental Justice Caucus; Solar Cap Limits and Accessibility; Federal Build Back Better program.

Query and comment were also had regarding future preparation of Commission minutes; possibly imposing time limits for presentations to the Commission; youth commissioner vacancy.

VI. AGENDA APPROVAL

Heine (Second: Collins) moved to approve the Agenda as submitted.

Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Commissioners Michalowski, Heine, Bayha, Foley, Gibbons, Collins, Simmons
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion Carried.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of November 8, 2021 minutes**

Foley (Second: Collins) moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.

Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Commissioners Michalowski, Heine, Bayha, Foley, Gibbons, Collins, Simmons
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

VIII. WORK SESSIONS – none

IX. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

1. **SAW Grant Discussion**

Staff Liaison Akers provided a broad overview of the Asset Management Plan portion of the summary and the intention of the scope of work. Commissioner Gibbons will submit her questions/concerns which arose after reviewing the Plan to Staff Liaison Akers.

2. **Storm Drain Awareness Resolution**

Commissioner Collins discussed his thoughts and ideas for the resolution; commissioners also discussed possible content to be included. Staff Liaison Akers will work on having a potential process outlined and then bring that back to the Commission.

3. **Michigan Green Communities Challenge 2022**

Commissioner Michalowski explained the program and its benefits. Commissioner Gibbons volunteered to take the lead for the Commission.

4. **Sustainability Commission 2021 Annual Report**

Commissioners reviewed the draft report and discussed and added revisions.

Simmons (Second: Heine) moved to approve the Revised Sustainability Commission 2021 Annual Report.

Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Commissioners Michalowski, Heine, Bayha, Foley, Gibbons, Collins, Simmons
Nays: None
Absent: None
Motion Carried.

5. **Washtenaw Urban County Survey**

Commissioner Heine explained the purpose and benefit of participating in the survey and encouraged commissioners to do so.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

Expressions of appreciation and gratitude were shared between commissioners and recording secretary, who will be leaving her position at year's end.

XI. PROPOSED BUSINESS

Proposed items were notated for the next meeting.

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE

January 10, 2022

XIII. ADJOURNMENT: 9:12 p.m.

Heine (Second: Gibbons) moved to adjourn the meeting of the Sustainability Commission.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Carried