



MINUTES

City of Ypsilanti
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEETING
One South Huron Street
Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197

Monday, April 8, 2019
7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Keith Michalowski	Present	Nancy Heine	Present
Emily Drennen	Absent	Thomas McKee	Absent
Bryan Foley	Present	Katy Greenwald	Present
Brett Zeuner	Present	Julia Bayha	Present
Christian Cannon	Present		

Also Present: Council Liaison Steve Wilcoxon
City Clerk Andrew Hellenga

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Foley (Second Bayha) moved to approve the Agenda as submitted.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Carried

IV. PRESENTATIONS

None

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of March 11, 2019 minutes

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

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Carried

VII. RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

A. Sustainability Plan discussion **1 2 3**

Commissioner Bayha: Had no issues with how the plan is advancing.

Commissioner Zuener: Believes that most likely the city's plan would be somewhere in between the two plans provided.

Commissioner Michalowski: Stated the other city plans such as; Non-Motorized Plan, Climate Action Plan, etc... He asked who is interested in being the Commission point person for this process.

Commissioners Foley and Cannon stated they would assist.

Commissioner Greenwald: Offered to bring EMU into the city's process.

Commissioner Zuener: Stated adaption is very important to the success of the city's plan.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Solar installation at Perry Elementary update

Commissioner Cannon: Updated the Commission regarding this item. He stated he has been in touch with a School Board Member and examining grant opportunities. He explained this project could generate up to 17 kilowatts if energy, enough to power three homes.

Commissioner Bayha: Asked if Perry School is willing to hold an event, and if so it should be planned for late September.

B. Earth Day 2019 event discussion

Commissioner Zuener: Asked for a standardized list to prepare a press release.

Commissioner Bayha: Asked for Commissioners to arrive around 2:00 p.m. to assist setup. [The Commissioner engaged in discussion regarding the event]

IX. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- A. Commissioner Heine: Stated the metrics for the MGC Challenge have been completed and she would forward the data to Commissioner Michalowski.
- B. Commissioner Bayha: None
- C. Commissioner Drennen: None
- D. Commissioner Cannon: Stated he might have found an investor for the Perry School Solar Project.
- E. Commissioner Foley: Stated the Affordable Housing Commission will release potential solutions during its May 12th forum. Ypsilanti Community Clean-up is scheduled for May 18th and is looking for both supplies and volunteers.
- F. Commissioner Greenwald: Stated she would like to begin researching sustainable agriculture.
- G. Commissioner Zeuner: Stated he will be graduating in May with his Master's Degree and has accepted a position in Oakland California.
- H. Commissioner McKee: None
- I. Commissioner Michalowski: Stated he would continue to examine sustainability plans:

X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

XI. PROPOSED BUSINESS

Commissioner Bayha: Stated she would like to hear any constructive criticism regarding the Earth Day Event during the next meeting.

Council Member Wilcoxon: Updated the Commission regarding the recently adopted Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority Articles of Incorporation. Also, he updated the Commission regarding the recent Council/DDA Joint meeting regarding parking.

Commissioner Zuener: Stressed ADA parking.

Commissioner Michalowski: Stated bike safety should also be a major concern in this process.

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE

Monday, May 13, 2019

XIII. ADJOURNMENT: 8:04 p.m.

Greenwald (Second Zuener) moved to approve the Agenda as submitted.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Carried