

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES
December 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Durk Tyson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present. The following attended the meeting:

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

David Ames	Drake Brinkley
Emilie Kane	Diego LLerena
Ann Maxwell	Durk Tyson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Daryl Norris, City of Greenville
Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville
Brian Meyerhoeffer, Council Member
Chad Carwein, ECU

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Ames asked to add a discussion regarding a Cool Cities Update. A motion was made by Ms. Maxwell to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. LLerena and passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 1, 2018 MINUTES TABLED TO JANUARY 3, 2019

No minutes were attached for approval.

5. ANNOUCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. State Climate Change Executive Order

Dr. Ames stated an executive order was executed by North Carolina to address climate change and transition to a clean energy economy. The City of Charlotte and Wake County have adopted resolutions and set up action plans to reach the objectives recommended in the executive order.

Dr. Ames also announced that the Sierra Club is working on a resolution to be supported by EAC to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; adopt a plan of action to achieve these objectives and direct the creation of an entity to be responsible for the program. Dr. Ames stated the formal resolution is anticipated to be presented to EAC in February or March 2019.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2019-2020 EAC Grant Discussion

Mr. Tyson directed attention to the grant information in the agenda package. The information has been updated to include all recommendation by EAC members. The package will be advertised on the EAC's page on the City of Greenville's website. A motion was made by Ms. Maxwell to approve the updated package for distribution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brinkley and passed unanimously.

B. 2019 Goals & Objectives

Mr. Norris noted the revisions discussed in the November meeting of EAC to the goals & objectives presented. The goals & objectives will be finalized in January 2019.

C. Council Presentation

Mr. Tyson stated the attached presentation was from 2018 presentation to City Council. Mr. Tyson asked for any recommendations from members. The presentation will be given to City Council on January 7, 2019.

D. Bylaws Discussion

Mr. Tyson directed attention to the addition of verbiage in Section 4 to require a three-week prior notification to add items to the agenda. Dr. Kane also requested the document be updated to remove gender specific references. Dr. Kane also stated she wanted to update information regarding meeting information of subcommittees. Mr. Norris stated all subcommittee meetings is still handled by public information requirements and are advertised.

A motion was made by Dr. Kane to approve the revisions and updates to the EAC bylaws. Mr. LLerena seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

9. Commission Reports

A. ECU Sustainability Report

Mr. Carwein announced the ECU Sustainability Committee has been relaunched and are working on the objectives of the sustainability plan. The tree planting project for Town Creek Culvert saw over 100 trees planted and was coordinated through a grant by ECU faculty. Mr. Carwein presented information on a food finder app for Pitt County. Mr. Carwein also presented ECU's greenhouse gas emissions report.

B. SWAC Update

Mr. Brinkley stated the SWAC report is complete and ready to be presented to City Council. The information was presented to Council in a council information workshop meeting and is anticipated to be formally presented to Council in 2019.

10. OTHER– FYI

A. None

11. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

The following items are proposed for the January 3, 2019 meeting:

A. 2019 Goals & Objectives – Review Draft & Finalize

B. Council Presentation – Review Draft

C. Quarterly UST Report

D. 2019-2020 Grant Package – Review & Approve

E. State Climate Change Executive Order

F. Bylaws Discussion

G. Cool Cities Update

H. SWAC Report

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Brinkley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ames and passed unanimously.