

Proposal for a Joint Meeting with the Advisory Board of Parks and Recreation and the
Environmental Advisory Board

To whom it may concern,

I write this message to convey the importance of holding a joint meeting between the Environmental board and the Parks and Recreation Board. I will begin by stating that both associations have the duty to advise the city commission on ways to enhance the entire quality of the city. While the Environmental Advisory board acts as a safeguard for the future of Northport's nature, the Parks and Recreation board advises on ways to maintain efficiency in operating facilities and programs. Therefore, holding a joint meeting between the two boards will open opportunities such as educating each other on ways to protect wildlife throughout the public, maintaining beautification of Northport's land and infrastructure and essentially turning Northport's nature into a purposeful playground that its citizens will be proud to live in.

These two boards affect each other greatly and need to educate each other. All members have skills to offer in both the environment and recreation, which means we need the ability to help, warn, and consult each other. Joining the two boards for a meeting would benefit Northport's advisors and its citizens.

Second, a main goal for the Environmental Advisory board is maintaining the natural beauty of Northport's nature. Now, this involves the beauty of public roads, public places and overall landscaping. Now, the Parks and Recreation Board maintains the order of public places, public facilities, and overall city programs. Citizen concerns are the biggest priority, therefore when issues arise involving matters of public space, I would agree that both boards need to be working to find the best solution together.

Northport is the second fastest growing city in the U.S. according to the Sarasota Herald Tribune, lets recognize that we have the power together to grow the respect for the development of the city of Northport. Northport is in an ideal location for an increasing number of Floridan's and those out of state. I advise to have a joint meeting between the Environmental Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to better the quality of living for all of us.

Words from EAB Memo

“There are areas of overlap amongst the boards dependent upon the projects and objectives of the boards. With the concurrence of the Commissioners, the EAB would like to send an EAB representative to attend the regularly scheduled meeting of the following citizens' advisory boards: Planning and Zoning, Parks and Recreation, and Historic and Cultural. The objectives of said meeting would be to facilitate the communication of overlapping environmental issues, share informational resources when appropriate, eliminate potential duplication of tasks/projects, and work together on activities that fall under the auspices of multiple advisory boards (when appropriate and in the best interests of the city).”

I need help on deciding the best way to learn and educate our board on other board activities and advice.