

City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes Environmental Advisory Board

Monday, June 3, 2024 5:30 PM City Hall Room 244

1. Call to Order

Chair English called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 6 - Chair English, Board Member Eik, Board Member Robinson, Vice Chair McGowan, Board Member Amos and Alternate I Broes

Not Present 1 - Board Member Holland

Also Present:

Staff Liaison Kalev and Board Specialist Bodmer

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes

A. 24-0579

Approval of the April 1, 2024, April 22, 2024, and May 6, 2024 Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Board Member Amos, seconded by Board Member McGowan, to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair English, Board Member Eik, Board Member Robinson, Vice Chair McGowan, Board Member Amos and Alternate I Broes

Not Present: 1 - Board Member Holland

6. New Business

A. 23-0742

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Advising the City Commission on the Implementation of Additional Community Gardens (Lola Robinson)

Chair English announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding Commission interest and new developments.

There was consensus to not take action on this item.

B. 23-1089

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding New Recommendations or Advisements to City Commission Pertaining to Preserving and Promoting Wildlife, Habitat Protection, Trees, the City's Natural and Environmental Resources, Tree Planting, and Beautification of Public Spaces

Chair English announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding updates, chemicals used by the city, potential presentation, environmental score card, annual report, score card intervals, accessibility, and transparency.

C. 23-1515

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Advising the City Commission on Retention Pond Planting Regulations and Potential Incentives.

Chair English announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding incentive, actions, past conversations, purpose, status, City Code, wildlife, and potential pond improvements.

D. <u>24-0581</u>

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Advising the City Commission on the Significance of Trees for Carbon Sequestration

Chair English announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding status, potential presentation, land purchasing, creating parks, buffer, retention pond, Unified Land Development Code amendments, Natural Resource Fund, and memorandum process.

A motion was made by Board Member Eik, seconded by Board Member Broes, to send the carbon capturing draft memorandum to Commission.

E. 24-0818

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC), Draft Chapter 6 Natural Resources

Chair English announced the item.

Discussion took place regarding language issues, Comprehensive Plan, Commission review, Environmental Advisory Board's role, and support of the document.

A motion was made by Board Member Amos, seconded by Board Member Eik, to support the Unified Land Development Code Draft Chapter 6 with acknowledgement to concerns of ambiguous verbiage. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Chair English, Board Member Eik, Board Member Robinson, Vice Chair McGowan, Board Member Amos and Alternate I Broes

Not Present: 1 - Board Member Holland

7. Updates

8. Future Agenda Items

A. 24-0422

Future Agenda Items

Future Agenda Items include environmental scorecard, Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS), retention ponds, archaeological presentation, status of native plantings, dual meeting with Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and maintenance road project presentation.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjournment

Chair English adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.
By:
William "Chuck" English, Chair