



City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes Environmental Advisory Board

Monday, May 4, 2026

5:30 PM

City Hall Room 244

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Vice Chair Stark,
Board Member San Vicente, Board Member Taylor and Board Member German
Absent 1 - Board Member Scott

ALSO PRESENT

Staff Liaison Kalev, Board Specialist Fritz, and Deputy Director of Development Services Barnes.

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. [26-0503](#) Approve the March 2, 2026 Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Chair Drumm announced the item and requested a motion.

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

Yes: 7 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Vice Chair Stark,
Board Member San Vicente, Board Member Taylor and Board Member German

Absent: 1 - Board Member Scott

- B. [26-0666](#) Approve the April 6, 2026 Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Chair Drumm announced the item and requested a motion.

Board discussion took place regarding recommended changes.

A motion was made by Board Member San Vicente, seconded by Board Member

Eik, to amend Item No. 26-0666 with the changes of the summarization to include the Ukraine Baptist Church and special exception parcel from light industrial to industrial. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Vice Chair Stark, Board Member San Vicente, Board Member Taylor and Board Member German

Absent: 1 - Board Member Scott

6. UPDATES

A. [26-0683](#) New Environmental Advisory Board Member Introduction

Chair Drumm announced the item.

There was no Board Member introduction.

B. [26-0687](#) Update from the Natural Resources Division

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev provided an update regarding interest letters and Land Acquisition Program, April events and outcomes, and tree donation program.

Board questions and discussions took place regarding tree giveaway including responses and utilizing native-plants, tree allocation cap, non-profit participation, and different tree events and potential activities.

7. PRESENTATION

A. [26-0691](#) Presentation of Environmental Regulations of the City of North Port

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev provided an update regarding Natural Resources Division overview and team, Comprehensive Plan, 2022-2025 Strategic Vision Plan, environmental resiliency and sustainability pillar, Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) Chapters 4 and 6, environmental protection, archaeological and historical preservation, endangered and threatened species protection, flood damage prevention, wetland and tree protection regulations, and conclusion.

Board questions and discussions took place regarding State Statute versus City policies and impacts.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. [26-0688](#) Recurring Agenda Item for Discussion and Possible Action Regarding DRC Projects of Environmental Concern

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

Board questions and discussions took place regarding light industrial to industrial parcel clarification.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. [26-0689](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Future Utilization of the Environmental Protection Fund

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

Vice Chair Stark arrived at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Board questions and discussions took place regarding funding purposes and support, potential continuation and categorical breakdowns, tree purchases and tree fund usage comparison, wildlife tracking, funding allocation percentages, environmental protection fund use, proposal clarification, and flow chart use.

Ms. Barnes spoke to department funding and general fund information.

Board questions and discussions continued regarding revenue versus expenditures, budget categorical listings versus percentages, habitat restoration, public records and tracking, scorecard and budget, categorization purpose and process, and future meeting discussions.

B. [26-0692](#) Discussion and Possible Recommendation on the Allocation of the Environmental Protection Fund

Chair Drumm announced the item.

There was no discussion.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items include natural resources economic impact, measurement and expenses, all current projects, Commission meeting, scrub jay protection, and Nona Spring zones.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Drumm adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

By: _____
Tim Drumm