

Environmental Sustainability Committee Meeting

December 6, 2017, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Sherwood Community Center

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and welcome

Meeting called to order by Chair member Tim Killian at 7:00 p.m. Attendance is listed below.

Type	Name	Attendance
Member, Vice Chair	Adam Basinger	Absent
Member	Mark Chandler	Present
Member	Susan Crate	Absent
Member	Judy Fraser	Present
Member, Chair	Timothy Killian	Present
Member	Bruce Knight	Absent
Member	Michael Lee	Present
Member	Alice Lippert	Present
Member	Toby Sorensen	Absent
Student Liaison	Marianna Lipold	Present
Staff	Stefanie Kupka	Present
Guest	David Houston, Blank Rome LLP	Present
Guest	Enrico Cecchi, IDI Group	Present
Guest	Patrick Rhodes, IDI Group	Present
Guest	Bill Zink, Christopher Consultants	Present
Guest	Katherine Russell, GMU Student	Present
Guest	Danielle Melton, GMU Student	Present
Guest	Jennifer Passey, Councilmember	Present
Guest	David Meyer, Mayor	Present

2. Consideration of the November 1, 2017 meeting minutes

Michael Lee moved to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Judy Fraser and carried unanimously.

3. Paul VI Development Update

Special guests David S. Houston, Blank Rome LLP; Enrico Checchi, IDI Group; Pat Rhodes, IDI Group; and Bill Zink, Christopher Consultants attended the meeting to discuss the Paul VI property redevelopment.

ESC Members provided recommendations, such as planting native trees and shrubs; properly maintaining landscaping and green infrastructure; achieving green building standards (such as LEED and Energy STAR); improving connectivity; utilizing solar energy; and incorporating International Dark Sky Association compliant lighting and LED street lights.

4. Composting Program

Special guest Katie Russell, GMU Student, presented some information on how the City of Fairfax could create a curbside composting program. The City of Fairfax could create a program for residents to compost in a designated container for organic waste to be collected weekly by a contractor with the option for residents to receive their completed compost each year. The ESC discussed potential costs, benefits and options for starting a composting program. Katie Russell will attend the February ESC meeting to discuss this topic in more detail.

5. Development Review Updates

The ESC discussed the development review checklist and strategy for reviewing and submitting comments on the Davies property and Paul VI.

6. ESC Annual Report

The ESC discussed preparing the 2018 Annual Report. Tim Killian will develop a draft outline and share with the ESC prior to the January meeting. The ESC will aim to prepare the draft Annual Report prior to the February meeting and submit the final report in March.

7. FY18 ESC Funding (\$2400)

The ESC delayed detailed discussion on this topic until the January meeting. The ESC discussed some potential ideas for spending the funding such as supporting a composting pilot project; preparation and distribution of educational materials on invasive species; and providing grants for clean-up opportunities.

8. Chairperson's Items

- Tree City USA Committee: The CAC has drafted a letter to notify the Mayor, City Council and City staff that they are transferring the responsibility for representing the City with the Arbor Day Foundation and the City's recognition as a "Tree City USA".

9. Committee Items

None

10. Staff items

- The City of Fairfax was awarded a DOE SolSmart Bronze designation
- Comprehensive Plan: Public Meeting on the Future Scenario Planning Results

- Thursday, December 7 at 6pm, Sherwood Community Center
- Fairfax County Environmental Quality Advisory Council Public Hearing on the Environment on January 10 at 7:30pm, Fairfax County Government Center
- Parks and Rec: Earth Day Event – April 22nd (Sunday)

11. Public comments

None

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Next regular ESC meeting is January 3, 2018 @ 7 p.m.

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