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Dept of Sustainability and Resilience

Our Mission:

To implement the ambitious and urgent goals of the Green Worcester Sustainability and Resilience Strategic Plan (GWP), a roadmap for making Worcester the greenest mid-size city in the country.

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Meeting Agenda

Green Worcester Advisory Committee

Monday, July 15, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Location: Esther Howland Room, City Hall, 455 Main St.

This meeting will be held in-person with an option to also join remotely (see the bottom of the agenda for details).

1. Welcome

2. Approval of Minutes – June 10, 2024 (*Attachment A*)

3. Open Meeting Law and Protocols - summary (*Attachment B*)

4. New Business:

- a. Presentation on Worcester’s Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory (2009-2023) by the City’s consultant, Blue Strike (15 min presentation, 10 min Q&A)

5. Continued Business:

- a. **GWAC Task Force Updates** (10 min)
 - Decarbonization benchmarks and goals (Chair Knittle and Members Conna and Leovich)
 - Sustainability in Worcester Public Schools (Vice Chair Herwitz, Members Austin and Murphy)
- b. **Lakes & Ponds Program: waterbody treatments** (*Attachment C and D*) (20 min)

6. DSR Major Projects’ Status Updates (10 min)

- a. **Zero Waste**
 - Zero Waste Master Plan – proposals due 7/17
 - Paint Stewardship Legislation
 - Community Cleanups with the City Manager's Clean Team
 - Composting at Out to Lunch
- b. **Resilience**
 - Miyawaki Forests project update
 - CoolPockets project update
 - Crowdsourc Map for “Resilient Solutions”
- c. **Green Worcester ElectriCITY Municipal Aggregation** - Program Update (*Attachment E*)

7. Standing Items

- a. District 2 GWAC Vacancy – DSR status update
- b. Items to be considered for placements on the next agenda
- c. Upcoming Events (not DSR organized)

Adjournment

Attachments

Attachment A: June 10, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Attachment B: Worcester Ordinance Excerpt (DSR and GWAC creation)

Attachment C: Written materials provided by the resident Elsie Uffelmann for GWAC consideration related to the Lakes and Ponds program

Attachment D: Staff Response to Attachment C

Attachment E: Municipal Aggregation Program Update

2024 Upcoming Meetings

Green Worcester Advisory Committee meetings begin on Mondays at 5:30pm:

September 9 - Esther Howland

October 21 - Esther Howland

November 18 - Esther Howland

Virtual Meeting Information

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