

## Draft Agenda

# Joint meeting of Rockville Environment Commission and Watersheds Committee Thursday, May 5, 2022

7pm – 8pm (Water Focus) 8pm - 9pm (Environment Focus)

WebEx Meeting number (access code): 2630 850 7509 Meeting password: **Environment22**

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<b>7:00</b>	<b>1. Convene joint meeting, Welcome, Introductions</b>	<i>Chair Clark Reed;</i>
	<b>2. Agenda Review</b>	<i>WS Chair Ted Stauderman</i>
<b>7:05</b>	<b>3. Community Forum</b>	<i>Guests</i>
<b>7:10</b>	<b>4. Rockville's Stormwater Program Update</b>	<i>Heather Gewandter</i>
	Presentation on Rockville's watershed restoration program and the overall purpose of the proposed Flood Resiliency Master Plan and flood mitigation grant program, followed by Q&A and discussion.	
<i>**Regular Environment Commission Meeting continues - Watersheds Committee is welcome to stay**</i>		
<b>8:00</b>	<b>5. Chair Report</b>	<i>Chair Reed</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Approval of prior meeting minutes</li><li>- Spring Outreach (C-09, C-13, C-05, C-17, C-25)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Achievements: Stream Clean-up, April 9, Maryvale</li><li>o <a href="#">Signup</a> for Farmer's Market which begins May 14 to share the Solar Co-op and the EV Co-op</li><li>o May 23, 7pm, Environmental Excellence Awards at Mayor and Council meeting</li><li>o May 28: Hometown Holidays Festival at RedGate</li></ul></li><li>- Volunteer schedule for Hometown Holidays, May 28, 11am-7pm, RedGate Park</li><li>- July 14 – Environment Commission will discuss the EV Plan, inviting the Traffic and Transportation Commission to join.</li><li>- Other Topics: REC Budget follow-up</li></ul>	
<b>8:10</b>	<b>6. Mayor and Council Report</b>	<i>Hon. Monique Ashton</i>
<b>8:20</b>	<b>7. Committee Reports</b>	<i>Clark Reed</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Energy Committee</li><li>- Climate Action Committee</li><li>- Watersheds Committee</li></ul>	<i>Pavitra Srinivasan Ted Stauderman</i>
<b>8:30</b>	<b>8. Net Zero Building Codes (C-03)</b>	<i>Clark Reed Hande Apaydin</i>
<b>8:40</b>	<b>9. May - Chair Elections</b>	<i>All</i>
	Any Commission members wishing to volunteer for chair are invited to provide a brief statement before a vote.	

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**8:45 10. Climate Action Plan Progress Report**

- **Climate Action Plan Tracking and Metrics (C-26):** Overall, at least some progress has been achieved on a dozen actions, with four more actions initiated since January. About eight CAP initiatives are included in the proposed FY 2023 budget, and proposed staff would support many more actions. Staff developed an action status tracking method (similar to the Comprehensive Plan) and is seeking Commission feedback on tracking and the webpage ideas at a future meeting.
- **Rockville Community Electric Vehicle Readiness Planning (C-11):** Staff will be working with COG and a consultant to develop the plan to examine community and fleet charging needs and potential locations, permitting, City site electrical assessments, and code updates.
- **Building Tune-up** for City Hall: The contractor has completed the proposed tune-up measures to save energy. **(M-01)**
- **City Hall energy efficient lighting update (M-01):** The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor upgrades are installed and undergoing adjustments. Staff expects to hear about the grant application to Maryland Smart Energy Communities for 3<sup>rd</sup> floor lighting upgrades, window film and thermostats soon.
- TA Engineering requested a second site assessment to gauge roof structure as part of developing the report and recommendations for the 6 Taft Court and Maintenance Facility **solar/microgrid feasibility assessment**. A final draft is expected soon in a few weeks. Staff is identifying potential contract mechanisms for if/when suitable solar sites are identified. **(M-04)**
- Staff continues to work with Pepco to install **electric vehicle charging stations**. After much background legwork, five locations are undergoing site review **(C-11)**.
- Staff submitted a Maryland Energy Administration grant application for \$359,000 to contribute to Phase 1 LED streetlight upgrades planned for FY2023 to replace 1,799 fixtures. Staff worked with Pepco on detailed rebate calculations for pre-approval for approximately \$139,000 in addition to the grant **(M-02)**

**Future Outreach Events (C-09, C-13, C-05, C-17, C-25)**

- o [Solar Info Sessions](#), to include information on Access Solar – a new low-moderate income solar financing program: 5/12 - 6pm; 6/17 - Noon; 7/14 - 6pm; 8/18 - Noon.
- o EV Co-op info Sessions: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month:  
<https://mygreenmontgomery.org/event/ask-an-ev-owner-5/all/>
- o Saturday, May 7: 20th Annual Spring Festival and Native Plant Sale, 10 a.m.-noon at Croydon Creek Nature Center.
- o The next event in the Climate Solutions Speaker Series planned for this Spring is: Thursday, May 12: [“Building and Living in Montgomery County’s First Certified Net Zero Energy Home.”](#) 7-8 p.m. Virtual. Additional outreach events are posted here: <https://rockvillereports.com/earth-month-all-spring-in-rockville/> **(C-25)**
- o Hometown Holidays, May 28-29, 10am-7pm, RedGate Park

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**8:55 11. New Business***Chair Reed, All*

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**9:00 12. Next meeting date and Adjourn***Chair Reed*

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**General information**

The next Commission meeting will be June 2. The public is invited to attend (virtually). Link will be available on meeting agenda. For meeting materials: <https://www.rockvillemd.gov/AgendaCenter/Environment-Commission-8>

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