

Draft Agenda

Rockville Environment Commission

Thursday, September 8, 2022

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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7:00	1. Convene, Welcome, Introductions 2. Agenda Review ; Approval of prior meeting summaries	Chair Clark Reed
7:05	3. Community Forum	Guests
7:10	4. Chair Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parkland Dedication letter - Accomplishments: Solar Co-op and Farmer's Market outreach campaign - Volunteer Appreciation Party September 14, 5:30-7:30pm - October meeting - Other Topics for the Future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ex. Environmental Awards Categories, CAP metrics 	Chair Reed
7:20	5. Mayor and Council Report	Hon. Monique Ashton
7:30	6. Climate Action Plan Progress Update and Infrastructure Act Preview Staff presents an overview of the progress on the Climate Action Plan and next steps, summarized in the update document, and a preview of Inflation Reduction Act benefits. These discussions will highlight Environment Commission participation opportunities.	Staff All
8:00	7. Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energy Committee - Climate Action Committee - Watersheds Committee and Salt Testing project 	Clark Reed Pavitra Srinivasan Ted Stauderman
8:20	8. Environment Commission focus areas and committees discussion The Climate Action Committee is requesting a discussion of committees in the context of CAP implementation and future Environment Commission topics and Priorities.	All
8:50	9. Staff Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Compost Drop-Off program and the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program are planning to launch in the fall of 2022. - The City was awarded \$449,700 grant from MEA for the Phase 1 LED streetlight upgrades planned for FY2023 to replace 1,799 fixtures (M-02). - Sustainability Program Manager is anticipated to start on September 19th and will focus on programs involving the City's building portfolio, fleet, infrastructure, and other assets. 	

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- SWM grants: City awarded \$2 million in grants for stream restoration from MD DNR. The City is also working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on plan scope for the Flood Resiliency Master Plan as part of a 50 percent cost-share program (C-20, C-21, M-11, M-13).
- Rainscapes: Opened for applications on July 1 with increased funding (C-17)
- City Hall energy efficiency (M-01): The City is awaiting grant reimbursement for 2nd floor upgrades. The City submitted the project plan for 3rd floor lighting upgrades, window film and thermostats for MEA grant project approval.
- Staff continues to work with Pepco to install electric vehicle charging stations. Sites include Thomas Farm Community Center, Mattie Stepanek Park, and rights-of-way near City Hall, Falls Grove and Twinbrook Quarter (C-11).
- City staff is participating in a nature-based infrastructure for climate solutions workshop (M-09) an initiative develop through a partnership between Montgomery County, Nature-Based Climate Solutions (NCS), the Urban Sustainability Directors Network, and the Trust for Public Land.

Mayor and Council

- July 11: Point of Sale Energy Disclosure (C-04) and Radon testing requirements adopted and will take effect on January 1, 2023
- October 17: Comprehensive Plan implementation update
- October 17: RedGate revised plan

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

- Volunteer Appreciation Party: Sept. 14, 5:30-7:30pm
- Climate Solutions Talks: Sept. 8 (Flood mitigation), Oct. 6 (Electrification), Nov. 3 (Waste)
- Fall Tree Giveaway: September 24
- Potomac Watershed Stream Clean-ups - TBD

8:55	10. New Business	Chair Reed, All
9:00	11. Next meeting date and Adjourn	Chair Reed

General information

The next Commission meeting will be October 6. 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>