

**CITY OF WARRENVILLE
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
City Gallery
at City Hall, 28W701 Stafford Place, Warrenville**

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kauth called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Jean-Marie Kauth, Commissioner Bob Kanara, Commissioner Kathy Franke, Commissioner Cecilia Gerber.

Absent: none

Also present: Staff liaison David Romero, Council Liaison Kathy Davolos and citizen Bill Weidner

C. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 16, 2022 MINUTES (PDF)

A motion was made by Commissioner Kanara to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2022 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Franke and passed unanimously.

D. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bill Weider commented on Warrenville's current tree inventory and tree ordinances. He attended a webinar from the Chicago Region Tree Initiative and received information on grant money available. Although too late for this year, the EAC will help to look for available grants for next year.

Even though the exciting tree canopy in Warrenville is good, we need to identify gaps where future plantings will help make it better.

E. OFFICIALS AND STAFF COMMENTS/REPORTS (PDF)

Liaison Romero suggested that the EAC commissioners take the Open Meetings Act online training and will provide an e-mail link for the site. Council Liaison Davolos updated the EAC on information about Warrenville's new water tower on Rt 59. She also talked about a future plan to construct a bike trail between Fox Hollow and Maple Hill subdivision.

F. BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. Discussion of Chicago Region Trees Initiative Bronze Ordinance Template
Discussion of Warrenville's tree ordinance was discussed. At the December 12th city council meeting, Public Works and City staff will discuss the existing tree planting plan, and Davey Co. (arborists) 5 year plan for the City. Homeowners in Warrenville are responsible for the cost of replacing trees on the City right-of-ways and the Commission discussed ways to help fund this cost, including how the City's Arbor Day event may help. This discussion will continue on EAC's future agendas.

2. **Review of EAC's FY 2024 Work Plan**
The FY 2024 EAC Work Plan was discussed. The City Council directed initiatives and the desirable initiatives were reviewed. A final Work Plan will be on the October EAC agenda.
3. **Review of the October/November edition of The Resource**
The upcoming edition of The Resource was discussed and some changes were made.
4. **Review of Coal Tar Ban Ordinance Letters and FAQs**
The letters to be sent to HOA's and commercial property owners were reviewed. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the letters and was seconded by Chair Kauth and passed unanimously.
5. **Research into a Single-Use Plastic Ban**
This research is ongoing and will continue on future EAC agendas. Commissioner Gerber offered to work on this initiative.
6. **Discussion of adding Solar Promotion**
Discussion of Solar Promotion will be on a future agenda.
7. **Planning for Magnolia seedlings Arbor Day 2023 distribution (DR)**
The EAC needs to get a timeline update from the nursery caring for the seedlings and will discuss this at a future EAC meeting.

G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Commissioner Franke will work on a post for the City's Facebook page. The Commission sorted and prepared two battery boxes for recycling.

H. ADJOURN

Commissioner Gerber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Franke, which was approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Commissioner Kanara