

Environmental Advisory Board
November 20, 2024
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

- Present: Maria Rotunda, Linda Alison, Nate Christianson, Jennifer Fugita, Jenni Braun-Paliszewski, Holli Arnett, Michael Fitch, Paul Farquhar, Ben Elwood, Bridger Tomlin (Staff Liaison)
- Absent: Claire Carmelia (City Council)
- Public: Tara Sullivan

Agenda Approval

- Approved unanimously

Approval of Minutes from the October 30, 2024 meeting

- Approved unanimously

Public Comment

6:40 p.m.

- Members of the public introduced themselves

Old Business

- Debrief Front Range Regional Boards and Commissions Meeting (November 13th)
 - Maria provided an overview of her experience attending the regional meeting
 - Discussion on Westminster as host to the next Regional Board meeting
 - Meeting determined to be more focused on speakers/specific topics
 - Meeting Topics: Nature-based climate solutions (e.g. tree planting, pollinators, etc.) was agreed upon
 - Pollinator gardens/horticulture work (Butterfly pavilion speaker?)
 - Urban tree canopy project: perhaps Bryan McCoy or Brett Kencairn
 - Resource Central maybe as a speaker
 - Meeting format discussed:
 - 20 minutes per speaker?
 - Room walk of information on what board/City is doing on this topic: those are already displayed around the room
 - After presenters/after meeting: Share our of each City's/board's commitment to action; share Innovative ideas and initiatives that they'd like to do; a list of best practices?
 - Location: Legacy Ridge Golf Course or Butterfly Pavilion.
 - Food: Appetizers from the Golf Course; water/hot tea or snacks brought to Butterfly Pavilion
 - Giveaways: give out pollinator seed packets
 - Northglenn City Hall Tour Scheduling
 - Desired days: After 4pm, No Wednesdays

New Business: Items were not addressed in this meeting

- ~~Rocky Flats Letter Discussion and Outlining~~

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- ~~City Council Update (Claire)~~
- ~~Review City Council meeting agenda~~

Tabled Discussions/Agenda Items until 2025:

- Rocky Flats Letter Discussion and Outlining
- Discuss desired topics for future presentations from City Staff and external speakers
- Identify goals and general priorities for 2025
- Review City Strategic Priorities and Principles and sustainability priorities

Staff Reports or Other Announcements

Adjournment

8:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 29 2025, 6:30 p.m.

The mission of the Environmental Advisory Board is to: advise City Council and Staff on environmental matters and sustainability. The EAB engages with our community and advocates for collaborative, bold, and scaleable solutions for a clean, vibrant, and resilient Westminster for current and future generations.