

Environmental Action Committee

Date

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Time

9:30 AM

Location

Civic Centre, Committee Room A

300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

Members

Matt Mahoney	Councillor - Ward 8 (Chair)
George Carlson	Councillor - Ward 11 (Vice-Chair)
Jim Tovey	Councillor - Ward 1
Brad Bass	Citizen Member
Dave Beaton	Credit Valley Conservation
Charles Cooper	Citizen Member
Stephanie Crocker	Ecosource
Chelsea Dalton	Citizen Member
Joanne Deidun-Roork	The Little Green Schoolhouse
Alex Dumesle	Partners in Project Green
Manasi Goyal	Peel Environmental Youth Alliance
Lea Ann Mallett	Citizen Member
Rozhin Rasekhi	University of Toronto Mississauga

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<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/environmentalactioncommittee>

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1. CALL TO ORDER
 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
 5. DEPUTATIONS
 - 5.1 Cameron McCuaig, Mississauga Resident with respect to the Right to a Healthy Environment Declaration
 - 5.2 Cara Clairman, Plug 'n Drive with respect to the development of EV charging infrastructure in Mississauga.
 - 5.3 Jeannette Chau, Mississauga Resident with respect to the 100% Possible March in Ottawa.
 6. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
 - 6.1 Boulevard/Curbside Gardens

Dave Beaton, Community Group Member to lead a brief discussion with respect to boulevard gardens and Encroachment By-law 0057-04.
 - 6.2 Environmental Action Committee (EAC) Working Group Updates

Working Group Members to review and update the EAC 2015-2018 Work Plan.

6.3 EAC Environmental Actions Summary

Members to review the EAC Environmental Actions Summary chart.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 2016 Environmental Action Committee Meeting Dates

Memorandum dated October 16, 2015 from Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, with respect to the 2016 meeting dates of the Environmental Action Committee.

RECOMMEND RECEIPT

7.2 2015 EcoBuzz Conference

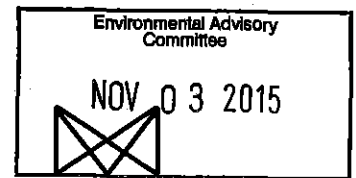
Manasi Goyal, Community Group Member (Peel Environmental Youth Alliance [PEYA]) and Charles Cooper, Citizen Member will provide a brief verbal update with respect to the 2015 EcoBuzz Conference held on October 28, 2015.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, December 8, 2015 – 9:30 AM, Civic Centre, Council Chambers – 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga L5B 3C1

10. ADJOURNMENT



MISSISSAUGA

City of Mississauga

Minutes (Draft)

Environmental Action Committee

Date

October 6, 2015

Time

9:38 AM

LocationCouncil Chambers, 2nd Floor Civic Centre - 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga L5B 3C1**Members Present**

Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8 (Chair)

Councillor George Carlson, Ward 11 (Vice-Chair)

Charles Cooper, Citizen Member

Chelsea Dalton, Citizen Member (Arrived at 10:17 AM)

Lea Ann Mallett, Citizen Member

Dave Beaton, Credit Valley Conservation (Arrived at 9:43 AM)

Stephanie Crocker, Ecosource

Joanne Deidun-Roork, The Little Green Schoolhouse

Alex Dumesle, Partners in Project Green

Manasi Goyal, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance

Rozhin Rasekhi, University of Toronto Mississauga

Members Absent

Councillor Jim Tovey, Ward 1

Brad Bass, Citizen Member

Staff Present

Brenda Osborne, Director, Environment

Jessika Corkum-Gorrill, Environmental Specialist

Christopher Pyke, Waste Management Coordinator

Lisa Urbani, Environmental Research Assistant

Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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1. CALL TO ORDER - 9:38 AM

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Approved (C. Cooper)

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the September 8, 2015 Environmental Action Committee meeting.

Approved (Councillor Carlson)

Dave Beaton, Credit Valley Conservation arrived at 9:43 AM.

5. DEPUTATIONS

5.1 Rod Muir, Chair of Sierra Club Canada Foundation made a PowerPoint presentation with respect to Waste Diversion and Sustainability.

Mr. Muir provided a brief background to actions happening in the Region of Peel, most notably the proposed plan to build a waste incinerator that will cost the Region \$600 million dollars. Mr. Muir commented on the need for increased public awareness and education regarding recycling and composting, the need to keep garbage separate for ease and effectiveness of waste diversion, the limited research on incineration of chemicals commonly contained in household items, and suggested that moving to every other week garbage pick-up would save money, which could be diverted to waste diversion programs.

Councillor Carlson commented that new incinerators are better and that they are drawing gas from an old dump site in the City, to which Mr. Muir noted that landfill gas energy creates methane which is emitted into the environment.

Discussion amongst Members included composting and green bins, the value of fertilizer, and the development of school education and participation in composting.

Mr. Muir noted that a Sierra Club Canada representative would be making a deputation to Regional Council on Thursday, October 8, 2015 and that they would be requesting that the decision to build the incinerator be put on hold for a year. Councillor Mahoney noted that the Region is working toward a 50% diversion rate and summarized the challenges in attaining this.

RECOMMENDATION

That the deputation and associated PowerPoint presentation by Rod Muir, Chair, Sierra Club Canada Foundation, be received.

Received (M. Goyal)
Recommendation EAC-0032-2015

Chelsea Dalton, Citizen Member, arrived at 10:17 AM.

6. MATTERS CONSIDERED

6.1 Working Groups Planning Session

Members of the Environmental Action Committee participating in planning sessions within the individual Working Groups (Education and Engagement, Promote/Foster Community Partners, Policy Change, Promote and Reward Living Green). Planning and reporting focused on identifying the top 1-2 priorities per year, establishing action items, confirming timing on action items, identifying gaps in required information, and identifying next steps.

Working Groups provided brief verbal highlights of their discussions noting the need to ascertain workload and time commitment, financial implications, the need to narrow the scope on the initiatives to ensure reasonability, and the need for a matrix to determine and prioritize the Living Green Master Plan, strategic environmental priorities, and available resources. Members suggested that the priorities should come from the Environment Division.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS - Nil

8. OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, November 3, 2015 - 9:30 AM, Committee Room A, Civic Centre -300 City Centre Drive,
Mississauga L5B 3C1

ADJOURNMENT - 12:06 PM

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ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COMMITTEE (DRAFT) WORK PLAN 2015 - 2018

ACTION	2015		2016				2017				2018			
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT (Educating Community Through Speaking Engagements, Be The Change/Lead By Example)														
1.1 EAC Speakers' Bureau (service clubs, BIAs, ratepayers associations, etc.)														
1.2 Informational Columns (Councillors' newsletters, websites, communications)														
1.3 Foster Community Partnerships (communications, promotions, community events calendar, feedback from residents' survey, etc.)														

NEXT STEPS:

- Liaise with staff to identify key issues for both informational columns and speaker topics (all in support of the Living Green Master Plan)
- Assign interested EAC Members a column to write (i.e. 1/month)
- Planning session re. crafting Speakers' Bureau key issues
- Review City communications mechanisms
- Develop key messaging
- Develop community events calendar
- Develop timelines

	2015		2016				2017				2018			
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2. RESEARCH, ADVOCATE & RECOMMEND POLICY CHANGE														
2.1 Review Peel Food Charter draft, find out if City staff are involved.														
2.2 Review City Strat Plan and LGMP Priorities to ensure alignment for future policy priorities														
2.3 Contact staff to find out which by-laws need amendments and who is responsible (department/staff)														
2.4 Peel Food Charter presentation to EAC to request endorsement.														
2.5 Identify obstacles/challenges to update by-laws and prioritize which by-laws to update.														
2.6 Advocate to Senior Staff the importance of updating by-laws/making them a priority in work plans.														
2.7 Connect with community education groups to help develop resident buy-in and start research.														
2.8 Contact staff to determine timelines (re. Natural Heritage) and how EAC can support to determine next steps.														
2.9 Complete research and benchmarking and bring findings/recommendations to EAC for input and decision to move forward or not.														
2.10 Complete background research and benchmarking on related by-laws.														
2.11 Support and assist staff to write by-law amendments and reports (EAC, GC)														
2.12 Participate in development of LGMP update.														
2.13 By-laws amended.														

"Need to Know' Firsts:

1. Understand Living Green Master Plan and City's Strategic Plan Priorities to ensure alignment with proposed EAC priorities
2. Decision-Making Criteria for Priorities
 - 2.1 Is this a gap?
 - 2.2 What resources are required?
 - 2.3 What barriers are there to implementation?
 - 2.4 What is the potential social, environmental economic impact?
 - 2.5 Are there resources available elsewhere?/Is there already another committee that addresses this?
3. Set 2-3 priorities and understand which ones are high impact/high potential
4. Create a road map for each proposed priority to determine full resources required and match with resource availability
5. Review priorities with staff
6. Set full action plan with responsibilities and timelines

Other potential priorities discussed to run through above criteria matrix:

BlueDot program
Noxious Weeds
Stormwater Management Education

EAC ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIONS SUMMARY

2015-2018

ACTION	Member(s)	DATE/Hours
Actions, events, workshops, conferences, training etc., that member(s) have done/ participated in related to being an EAC member (e.g. Volunteered at Environment Earth Market outreach display, attended Eco Buzz Conference, attended Clean Air Council Summit)	Name of Member/Members/ Working Group	Date/Days/Hours (e.g. April 25, 2015, volunteer ½ day)

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Memorandum

To: Chair and Members of the Environmental Action Committee

From: Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator

Date: October 16, 2015

Subject: 2016 Environmental Action Committee Meeting Dates

The 2016 meeting dates for the Environmental Action Committee have been scheduled as follows:

- Tuesday, February 2, 2016
- Tuesday, March 1, 2016
- Tuesday, April 5, 2016
- Tuesday, May 3, 2016
- Tuesday, June 7, 2016
- Tuesday, July 5, 2016
- Tuesday, September 6, 2015
- Tuesday, October 4, 2016
- Tuesday, November 1, 2015
- *Monday, December 5, 2016

Unless otherwise advised, all meetings will be held at 9:30 AM at the Mississauga Civic Centre, 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, in Committee Room A.

Meetings may be cancelled at the call of the Chair due to insufficient agenda items or lack of quorum.

Please kindly contact me in advance of the meeting if you will be absent or late so that quorum issues can be anticipated and dealt with accordingly.

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