City of Mississauga

Minutes



Environmental Action Committee

Date

2017/03/07

Time

1:30 PM

Location

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor, 300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1 Ontario

Members Present

Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8 (Chair)
Councillor George Carlson, Ward 11 (Vice-Chair)
Chelsea Dalton, Citizen Member
Pujita Verma, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance
Eashan Karnik University of Toronto Mississauga
Andrea Dawber, Ecosource
Melanie Kramer, Credit Valley Conservation
Joanne Deidun-Roork, The Little Green Schoolhouse

Members Absent

Councillor Jim Tovey, Ward 1 Brad Bass, Citizen Member Alex Dumesle, Partners in Project Green Lea Ann Mallett, Citizen Member

Staff Present

Michael Cleland, Acting Director, Environment
Andrea J. McLead, Environmental Specialist
Lisa Urbani, Environmental Reseach Assistant
Julius Lindsay, Community Energy Specialist
Mary Bracken, Environmental Specialist
Heliya Babazadeh-Oleghi, Environmental Outreach Assistant
Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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- 1. **CALL TO ORDER** 1:30 PM
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (C. Dalton)

- 3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** Nil.
- 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
- 4.1. <u>Environmental Action Committee Minutes February 7, 2017</u>

Approved (E. Karnik)

- 5. **DEPUTATIONS**
- 5.1. <u>Julius Lindsay, Community Energy Specialist, with respect to Climate Change Action Plan</u>

Michael Cleland, Acting Director, Environment spoke on the City of Mississauga's Climate Change Action Plan noting that it will be approximately 2 years to complete, and stated that Julius Lindsay, Community Energy Specialist, will in his presentation explain the approach to the project, proposing areas of focus, community engagement, and gathering feedback on how the Environmental Action Committee can get involved.

Julius Lindsay, Community Energy Specialist, spoke to the City of Mississauga's Climate Change Action Plan, and brief summarized the two pathways to action that being Mitigation and Adaption, the objectives and goals for the development of a comprehensive plan for the City of Mississauga.

Mr. Lindsay provided an overview of the phases, outcomes and timelines for the developing of the Climate Change Action Plan, noting that the written and final approval of the plan is anticipated for the late quarter of 2018 to the early quarter of 2019.

Mr. Lindsay further provided an overview of the following:

- gap analysis;
- studies to be conducted;
- project structure; internal and external;
- Environmental Action Committees role: Participation and engagement; stakeholder committee oversight and planed studies to be conducted; and presentation to Council.

Mr. Lindsay would like to see Members of the Environmental Action Committee participate in engagement events, subcommittees and other groups formed through the development of the Climate Action Plan.

Mr. Lindsay asked Members of the Environmental Action Committee to share their thoughts and ideas on the presentation.

Councillor Matt Mahoney, thanked Julius for his presentation and noted that it is great to see that Members of the Environmental Action Plan are being formally included and more involved in the development of the City of Mississauga's Climate Action Plan.

Pujita Verma, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance, suggested that there be representation from a youth group.

Eashan Karnikk, University of Toronto, Mississauga Representative, inquired about the City's participation with Partners for Climate Protection. Mr. Lindsay advised that the City has been participating for a number of years and it is an ongoing participation.

Joanne Deidun-Roork, The Little Green Schoolhouse Representative, suggested looking at various wards in Mississauga and having a family community organization involved in environmental events.

RECOMMENDATION

That the EAC Environmental Actions Summary updated for the March 7, 2017 meeting of the Environmental Action Committee, be received for information.

Received (C. Dalton)
Recommendation EAC-0008-2017

- 6. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD** Nil.
- 7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED Nil.
- 8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 8.1. <u>Environmental Action Committee Vacancy Environmental Community Group</u>

Environmental Action Committee Members engaged in a discussion and suggestions were made to approach Studio 89 - it is a small organization with a great philosophy, University of Toronto, Mississauga, Environmental Department, and reach out to youth groups, with respect to representation on the Environmental Action Committee.

8.2. EAC Environmental Actions Summary - March 7, 2017

RECOMMENDATION

That the EAC Environmental Actions Summary updated for the March 7, 2017 meeting of the Environmental Action Committee, be received for information.

Received (Councillor G. Carlson Recommendation EAC-0008-2017

8.3. <u>Environmental Action Committee Work Plan 2015-2018</u>

Environmental Action Committee Members reviewed the Workplan 2015-2018 and agreed to remove action item 2.6.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental Action Committee Work Plan 2015-2018, be approved as amended.

Received (M. Kramer)

Recommendation EAC-0009-2017

8.4. Education Session - Climate Change Workshop

The education session on Climate Change Workshop, facilitated by Julius Lindsay, Community Energy Specialist and Mary Bracken Environmental Specialist commenced immediately following the adjournment of the Environmental Action Committee meeting.

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 9:30 AM, Committee Room A
- 11. **ADJOURNMENT** 2:00 PM