Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee  
No 2 - 24

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 22, 2024  
Second Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 50 Dickson Street  
7:00 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

Disclosure of Interest

Presentations

Matthew Day, Director, Community Energy Program, WR Community Energy on High-Performance Building Standards.

Delegations

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting  
PP. 003

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Recommendation:

THAT the decisions contained in the April 24, 2024 minutes be considered for errors or omissions and adopted.

Reports

Subcommittee Reports

1. High-Performance Building Standards

Recommendations:

THAT the Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee (CEAC) appoints the following members to the High-Performance Building Standards Subcommittee:

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Please Note: If you cannot attend the meeting or if you have added agenda items please contact Kathy Padgett by e-mail: padgettk@cambridge.ca
Information Items

Other Business

Next Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Second Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 50 Dickson Street

Close of Meeting

THAT the CEAC meeting does now adjourn at __ p.m.

Distribution:

Alison Fraser, Cynthia Brown, Danielle Lindamood, David Campbell, Derrick Roy, Jonas Duarte, Linda Foster, Lisa Grbinicek, Nelson Cecilia, Nichole Daniels, Ryleigh McDermid and Councillor Hamilton
MINUTES
Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee
No. 1-24
Wednesday, April 24, 2024
City Hall, Secord Room, 2nd Floor

Committee Members in Attendance: Derek Roy, Jonas Duarte, Lisa Grbinicek, Nelson Cecilia, Nichole Daniels and Councillor Hamilton

Regrets: Alison Fraser, Cindy Brown, Danielle Lindamood, Linda Foster and Ryleigh McDermid

Staff in Attendance: Kathy Padgett, Senior Planner – Environment, Melissa Lafleur, Recording Secretary

Meeting Called to Order

The regular meeting of the Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee (CEAC) was held in the Secord Room, 50 Dickson Street, Cambridge, Ontario. Jonas Duarte welcomed everyone to the meeting and the meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Disclosure of Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

Presentations

Jenna Brown-Jowett, Director of Corporate Strategy presented on the City’s 2024-26 Strategic Plan – Cambridge Connected. Jenna explained that Council selected to refresh the 2020-23 Plan rather than develop a new Plan. This decision was made because the 2020-23 Plan was only approved in 2021 and based on community survey results and discussions with the City’s leadership team and Council, the existing Plan continues to reflect the desires of the community. It was decided to fully deliver on this Plan for the Cambridge community as opposed to starting from scratch. Jenna also touched on how the mandate of CEAC ties into the Plan.

Delegations NIL

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by: Nelson Cecilia
Seconded by: Jonas Duarte

THAT the decisions contained in the December 20, 2023 minutes be adopted as written.

CARRIED
Reports

Subcommittee Reports

1. City Green Subcommittee:

Nichole Daniels highlighted key projects and events for City Green. The Bee City Saturday event in March was a success with approximately 200 people in attendance. City Green had a booth and distributed seed packets and garden signs. The Cambridge Community Clean Up in April was also a success with 210 people visiting the Cambridge City Green booths despite cold weather conditions and another 1300 people through 34 groups participating for a total of just over 1500 participants. City Green is also exploring the implementation of the Victoria Park Forest Management Plan which could include invasive species management, tree and wildflower planting, and closing/replanting foot paths. City Green members also held a meeting in which they made seedballs to plant at the Cambridge Pollinator Preserve and Victoria Park.

Moved by: Lisa Grbinicek
Seconded by: Derek Roy

THAT the Cambridge Environmental Advisory Committee (CEAC) receives the meeting notes from the January 8, February 5, March 4 and April 8, 2024 meetings of City Green;

AND FURTHER THAT they be appended to the April 24, 2024 CEAC minutes for distribution.

CARRIED

CARRIED

Correspondence

NIL

Information Items

2. Cambridge earns ‘Tree City of the World’ designation for 2023 was share for information.

Other Business

a) Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2024

Kathy Padgett suggested to the Committee that the annual election be held at the first meeting in 2025 due to the few meetings that the Committee had in 2023 and so far in 2024. Members were to email Kathy if they had concerns with this approach.

b) Public Drinking Fountain/Bottle Filler Pilot Project in Market Square

Councillor Hamilton provided an update on this project and noted that CEACs support for the project wasn’t included in the most recent report brought before Council. Kathy will follow-up with the project manager regarding this discrepancy.
c) Blair to Preston Trail and Pedestrian Bridge Environmental Assessment

Kathy informed the Committee that Cambridge Council decided at their December 19, 2023 Council meeting to cancel the ongoing Environmental Assessment for the Blair to Preston Trail and Pedestrian Bridge.

d) Riverside Dam

The Committee discussed the status of the Riverside Dam project. Kathy will follow-up with the Committee via email with the timeline of events concerning the Environmental Assessment and ask the project manager to attend a future CEAC meeting to discuss the environmental aspects associated with the dam through detailed design.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of CEAC is scheduled for May 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Secord Room.

Close of Meeting

Moved by: Nelson Cecilia
Seconded by: Jonas Duarte

THAT the CEAC meeting does now adjourn at 8:22 p.m.

CARRIED

Jonas Duarte  Melissa Lafleur
Chairperson  Recording Secretary