

Environmental Advisory Board

Minutes of March 25, 2026

Members Present:

- **In Person:** Briana Mazzolini-Blanchard; Dave Schmitt; Douglas Walton; Kylie Johnson; Michael Roman; Monica Perdomo; Nayana Shah; Susan Sprigg
- **Virtual:** Andrew Musgrave; Carla Walker; Nathan Alley; Rico Blackman; Van Sullivan; Yasmine Allen

Members Absent: Ashlee Young; Emmy Schroeder; Ericka Copeland; Megan O'Keefe; Sarah Kent

Staff Present: Oliver Kroner; Amanda Testerman; Erin Kabel

Meeting: A meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board was held on March 25, 2026, at 3:00 PM at Centennial II HR Conference Room B, 805 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

Meeting Agenda:

- I. **Public Comment**
- II. **Call to Order at 3:05 PM**
- III. **Administrative Action***
 - Approval of February 25, 2026 – Meeting minutes
- IV. **Office of Environment & Sustainability Comments- Ollie Kroner**
 - Budget Cycle- 5.1% proposed reduction; OES proposed cuts to customer service for recycling cart services. Some proposed budget cuts may not be accepted. Final budget to be voted on by City Council in June
 - Federal EPA- Positive signals around recycling cart replacement grant \$5.1 million award
- V. **Information/Updates**
 - None
- VI. **Items for Vote***
 - Proposed bylaw language for Vice Chair
 - New language to be revised and drafted to be proposed at next meeting in April
- VII. **Open Discussion**
 - Leveraged Support Grant- Ollie Kroner
 - i. Application evaluations will be due in August. More info to come on rubric, members of EAB who will participate, and overall process.
 - EJ Codification Recommendations- David Reeves
 - CM Owens office received and reviewed EJ Recommendations submitted by EAB in December 2025. Looking to move forward these items.
 - Draft Motion for Climate Equity Indicators Report update in April
 - Citywide Language access ~suggestion for Welcoming America Certification
- VIII. **Executive Session-**
 - Purpose: To discuss a legal opinion regarding Green Infrastructure Funding
 - Vote to enter Executive Session
 - i. Yes- 12 votes; No- 0 votes
 - Vote to Exit Executive Session
 - Yes- 12 votes; No- 0 votes
- IX. **Next Meeting**
 - Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 3:00 PM
- X. **Adjournment at 4:22 PM**