



Environmental Advisory Board

Meeting Agenda

March 25, 2026, 3:00 P.M.

Centennial II HR Conference Room B

805 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Virtual Attendance through Microsoft Teams

Order of Business

- I. Public Comment**
- II. Call to Order**
- III. Administrative Action***
 - Approval of February 25, 2026 – Meeting minutes
- IV. Office of Environment and Sustainability Comments- Ollie Kroner**

- V. Information/Updates**

- VI. Items for Vote***
 - Proposed bylaw language for Vice Chair

- VII. Open Discussion**
 - Leveraged Support Grant- Ollie Kroner
 - EJ Codification Recommendations- David Reeves
- VIII. Presentations**
 - None

- IX. Executive Session-**
 - Purpose: To discuss a legal opinion regarding Green Infrastructure Funding

- X. Next Meeting**
 - The next EAB meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 3:00 PM.

- XI. Adjournment**

**Board Action Requested*

Agenda Packet Materials:

- Draft meeting minutes from 02/25/2026
- Proposed Bylaw Language

Environmental Advisory Board

Minutes of February 25, 2026

Members Present:

- **In Person:** Briana Mazzolini-Blanchard; Carla Walker; Dave Schmitt; Douglas Walton; Kylie Johnson; Megan O’Keefe; Michael Roman; Sarah Kent; Susan Sprigg; Yasmine Allen
- **Virtual:** Andrew Musgrave; Ericka Copeland; Nathan Alley; Ashlee Young; Van Sullivan; Emmy Schroeder; Nayana Shah

Members Absent: Monica Perdomo; Rico Blackman

Staff Present: Oliver Kroner; Amanda Testerman; Erin Kabel; Howard Miller; Lauren Clark

Meeting: A meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board was held on February 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 3:02 PM

III. Administrative Action*

- Approval of January 28, 2026 – Meeting minutes

IV. Office of Environment & Sustainability Comments

- City Manager’s Office moved that EAB will take leadership role in advising on Leveraged Funding Applications

V. Information/Updates

- Mill Creek Valley Conservancy District Updates- Dave Schmitt
a.\$1.5M loan to MVCD passed by City Council; see Council Items: [202600234](#) and [202600226](#)
- Data Centers- If organizations are interested in OEC position, contact Kylie Johnson
- City Council passed ORD 0037-2026 ESTABLISHING Interim Development Control Overlay District No. 89, "Data Centers" as an overlay district for a period of three months, pursuant to Chapter 1431, "Interim Development Control Overlay District Regulations," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code. See Item [202600542](#) for more information.

VI. Items for Vote*

- Officer Nominations and Elections
- Reviewed list of nominations for Chair and Vice Chair
 - Chair: Dave Schmitt; Ericka Copeland (declined); Susan Sprigg (declined)
- Vice Chair: Ericka Copeland; Susan Sprigg (declined)
- Motion to elect Dave Schmitt as Chair
 - Yes – 17 votes; no – 0 votes [DAVE SCHMITT ELECTED AS CHAIR]
- Motion to elect Ericka Copeland as Vice Chair:
 - Yes – 17 votes; no – votes [ERICKA COPELAND ELECTED AS VICE CHAIR]

VII. Presentations

- Climate Migration- OES Howard Miller and Lauren Clark

VIII. Open Discussion Open Discussion

- GCP Action Items with Policy Focus- Ollie
- Orientation to Mission of group, prior policy comments, focuses for 2026

IX. Next Meeting

- Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 3:00 PM

X. Adjournment at 4:31 PM

Draft Bylaw Amendment

Draft language revision to EAB By-laws Article III:

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

- A. The Board shall elect a Chair, a Vice Chair, and any other officers it deems necessary. Officers shall serve terms of one year, with terms beginning March 1 and ending at the end of February of the following year.
- B. When the term of the Chair expires after one year, if the Vice Chair's membership on the Board does not expire for at least one additional year the Vice Chair shall immediately succeed to the position of Chair and there shall be an election to fill the position of Vice Chair. The Chair whose term expired may continue to serve as a member of the Board if the member's term on the Board has not yet expired.
- C. The Chair shall be a voting member of the Board and shall count towards a quorum.
- D. The Chair shall run all Board meetings. The Chair shall represent and speak on behalf of the Board unless the Board designates another member.
- E. If the Chair is unavailable, the Vice Chair shall act as the Chair and have all authority of the Chair.
- F. There are no limits on the number of terms an officer may serve, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws.
- G. Members appointed to fill a vacancy in an office shall serve the remainder of the term of the vacant office. If the Board has not filled a vacancy within three months, the City Manager may fill the vacancy.
- H. Upon the expiration of a term of office, the officer shall continue serving as an officer as long as the officer is still a member of the Board until a new appointment to the office is made, or until the person is no longer a member of the Board, whichever is sooner.
- I. The Chair is authorized to appoint members to committees of the Board.