

Environmental Advisory Board

Minutes of March 26, 2025

Members Present:

- **In person:** Dave Schmitt; Douglas Walton; Emmy Schroder; Kylie Johnson
- **Virtual:** Andrew Musgrave; Ashlee Young; Monica Perdomo; Rico Blackman; Susan Sprigg; Van Sullivan

Members Absent: Ericka Copeland; Julie Shifman; Nathan Alley; Nayana Shah

Staff Present: Oliver Kroner; Amanda Testerman; Erin Kabel

Meeting: A meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board was held on March 26, 2025 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 3:04 PM**
- III. **Office of Environment and Sustainability Comments**
 - Seeds of Change Grants: <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/oes/green-cincinnati-plan/seeds-of-change-grant-program/>
 - Federal Funding Updates
 - City Budget Updates:
 - <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/budget/budget-engagement/>
 - <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/sites/budget/assets/FYI-Memo---2.19.25-FY-2026-2027-Biennial-Budget-Process.pdf>
- IV. **Administrative Action***
 - Approval of February 26, 2025 – Meeting minutes
- V. **Information/Updates**
 - Update on meeting with Councilmember Owens
 - Survey Results for April-December Meeting Schedule
- VI. **Items for Vote***
 - April-December 2025 Meeting Dates:
 - Motion to schedule 2025 meetings as the 4th Wednesday of the month from 3pm-4:30pm.
 - Yes – 10 votes; No – 0 votes; [MOTION PASSES]
- VII. **Presentations**
 - Building Performance Standards – Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance
- VIII. **Open Discussion**
 - Policy Comments – drafts in agenda packet
 - Cincy on Track
 - Motion to approve comment with the following changes: Bold the sentence “This includes prioritizing electric vehicle charging infrastructure, energy efficiency upgrades, and continued investments in ecosystems and green infrastructure solutions” and adding “renewable energy” to this sentence.
 1. Yes – 10 votes; No – 0 votes; [MOTION PASSES]
 - Impervious Surface Fee
 - Motion to approve the comment.
 1. Yes – 8 votes; No – 0 votes; Abstain – 1 vote [MOTION PASSES]
- I. **Next Meeting**
 - Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 3:00 PM
- II. **Adjournment at 4:34 PM**