

Environmental Action Committee

Date: July 6, 2021
Time: 9:30 AM
Location: Online Video Conference

Members Present	Councillor Matt Mahoney	Ward 8 (Chair)
	Councillor Stephen Dasko	Ward 1 (Vice-Chair)
	Brad Bass	Citizen Member
	Chelsea Dalton	Citizen Member
	Lea Ann Mallett	Citizen Member
	Shailly Prajapati	PEYA (Peel Environmental Youth Alliance) Student
	Alice Casselman	Association for Canadian Educational Resources
	Britt McKee	Ecosource
	Melanie Kramer	Credit Valley Conservation
	Jennifer Taves	Partners in Project Green
	Brad Butt	Mississauga Board of Trade (Non-Voting Member)

Members Absent	Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11
	Pujita Verma	Citizen Member
	Carina Suleiman	UTM (University of Toronto Mississauga) Student
	Andrea Rowe	Greening Sacred Spaces (Non-Voting Member)
	Sid Gendron	Sawmill Sid Inc. (Non-Voting Member)

Staff Present

Dianne Zimmerman, Manager, Environment
Lisa Urbani, Supervisor, Environment Initiatives
Catherine Nguyen-Pham, Communications Coordinator
Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Supervisor, Environmental Outreach
Samantha Dilorio, Environmental Assistant
Jamie Ferguson, Manager, Parks Services
Diane Gibson, Supervisor, Environmental Sustainability
Paris Liu, Summer Student, Waste Management
Sharleen Bayovo, Planner, Official Plan Review
Amina Menkad, Planner, Official Plan Review
Reanne Kassar, Committee Assistant
Dayna Obaseki, Legislative Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Mahoney, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:32AM.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (M. Kramer)

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil.**4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING****4.1 Environmental Action Committee DRAFT Minutes – June 1, 2021**

Approved (B. McKee)

5. DEPUTATIONS**5.1 Mississauga Official Plan Review**

- *Sharleen Bayovo, Planner, Official Plan Review*
- *Amina Menkad, Planner, Official Plan Review*

Ms. Menkad presented and provided an overview on Mississauga's Official Plan Review. She noted the plan's vision, public engagement and the Green System. She further spoke to the key environment and climate change policy directions, which include continued value for the environment, climate mitigation and land use measures. The next steps are regional plan conformity and finalization in 2021/2022.

Members of Committee spoke to the matter and raised the following questions and concerns regarding gap analysis, tree canopy and urban forestry mapping as well as what are the driving factor(s) is regarding land use planning and the overall Official Plan review.

Ms. Menkad responded noting that green system does not map urban forestry due to the challenges of mapping private property and the accuracy due to the speed of development. Dianne Zimmerman, Manager of Environment and Jennifer Taves, Community Group Representative also noted that the City of Mississauga's Municipal Assets Initiative that maps tree canopy and further noted that TRCA's (Toronto Region Conservation Authority) Watershed Reporting Hub also maps watershed tree canopy.

To access the TRCA Wastershed Reporting Hub, please open the following link:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/collections/>

RECOMMENDATION EAC-0020-2021

Moved By B. Bass

That the deputation and associated presentation by Amina Menkad, Planner, Official Plan Review regarding the Mississauga Official Plan Review be received.

Received

5.2 Lead and Litter Impacting Waterfowl

- *Paris Liu, Summer Student, Waste Management*
- *Diane Gibson, Supervisor, Environmental Sustainability*

Ms. Liu and Ms. Gibson presented and provided an overview on lead and litter impacting waterfowl. They noted fishing lines, lead sinkers and seabin collection. They spoke to the fishing line collection containers and a recycling program as a solution. They provided a brief comparative analysis on lead versus non-lead sinkers and further noted purchase options as well as benchmarking. The next steps consist of a Litter Campaign, sponsorships for new initiatives and waste audits.

Members of Committee spoke to the matter and raised the following questions and concerns about seabin collection, lead-free tackle, no feeding waterfowl signage, educational social media campaign, problematic areas, budget and sponsorships, as well as store signage advising customers that bread-feeding waterfowl is dangerous.

Ms. Gibson and Jamie Ferguson, Manager of Park Services responded noting waste audits are being conducted, current signage may need to be revamped to heighten awareness and noted an upcoming litter campaign that will include an educational piece. They further responded noting resource allocation, pursuing funding sponsorships and the upcoming Silver Salmon Challenge that will be donating another seabin collection and providing lead free tackle samples.

Councillor Dasko requested for a list of local tackle shops that provide/sell alternative tackle to lead tackle, signage stating do not need feed the waterfowl and educational social media campaign.

DIRECTION to staff was given to provide Councillor Dasko a list of local tackle shops that sell an alternative to lead tackle.

DIRECTION to staff was given to collaborated with the Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVC) and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry as well as investigate the feasibility of educational social media campaign and signage in parks and stores and to report back to a future Environmental Action Committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION EAC-0021-2021

Moved By A. Casselman

That the deputation and associated presentation by Paris Liu, Summer Student, Waste Management and Diane Gibson, Supervisor, Environmental Sustainability regarding Litter Impacting Waterfowl be received.

Received

5.3 Climate Change Youth Challenge: Mission to Earth

- *Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Supervisor, Environmental Outreach*
- *Samantha Dilorio, Environmental Outreach Assistant*

Ms. Dilorio and Suzuki-Bracewell presented and provided an overview on Climate Change Youth Engagement. They noted youth engagement as part of the engagement and partnership action pathway of the CCAP (Climate Change Action Plan). They further noted Mississauga's Youth Climate Challenge: Mission to Earth and the Youth Summit. The next steps include continuing working with youth partners, the Youth Challenge International and launching Project Neutral.

Brad Bass, Citizen Member requested that Youth Challenge contestants present to future Environmental Action Committee (EAC) meetings and Councillor Mahoney, Chair also noted having the presentations at General Committee (GC) meetings as well. Ms. Bracewell responded that she would follow up with the youth groups regarding the feasibility of future deputations to EAC and GC.

To access the student presentations, please open the following link:

<https://www.mississauga.ca/climate-change-youth-challenge/>

DIRECTION to staff investigate the feasibility of Youth Challenge contestants to present at future Environmental Action Committee and General Committee meetings.

RECOMMENDATION EAC-0022-2021

Moved By B. Bass

That the deputation and associated presentation by Samantha Dilorio, Environmental Outreach Assistant and Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Supervisor, Environmental Outreach regarding the Climate Change Youth Challenge: Mission to Earth be received.

Received

5.4 Project Crossroads - Canadian Healthy Communities Initiative

- *Alice Casselman, Community Group Representative Environmental Action Committee Member*
- *Catherine Sople, Founder, Building Up Our Neighbourhoods*

Ms. Casselman and Ms. Sople presented and provided an overview on Association for Canada Educational Resources' Project Crossroads: Canada Healthy Communities Initiative. They noted the target areas, the funding infrastructure, low tree canopy areas and new digital products.

Brad Bass, Citizen Member noted that planting trees addresses a number of environmental and social aspects.

RECOMMENDATION EAC-0023-2021

Moved By L. Mallett

That the deputation and associated presentation by Alice Casselman, Community Group Representative Environmental Action Committee Member and Catherine Soplet, Founder, Building Up Our Neighbourhoods regarding the Project Crossroads - Canada Healthy Communities Initiative be received.

Received**6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit**

No members of the public registered to speak.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

No items were approved under the Consent Agenda.

8. MATTERS CONSIDERED**8.1 Environmental Action Committee (EAC) Work Plan**

Dayna Obaseki, Legislative Coordinator spoke to this matter advising the Committee Members that the previously approved memo reporting on the committee's progress and June's version of the Work Plan were sent to the Mayor and Members of Council via email on June 29, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION EAC-0024-2021

Moved By J. Taves

That the Environmental Action Committee Work Plan be approved as discussed at the July 6, 2021 EAC meeting.

Approved**9. INFORMATION ITEMS - Nil.****10. OTHER BUSINESS/ENQUIRIES - Nil.****11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 - 1:30pm, To Be Determined

12. ADJOURNMENT

11:03AM (A. Casselman)