CITY OF WORCESTER
Meeting Agenda
Green Worcester Advisory Committee

Monday, November 27, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Location: Esther Howland, City Hall, 455 Main St.

This meeting will be held in-person with an option to also join remotely (see the bottom of the agenda for details).

Call To Order

1. Welcome

2. Approval of Minutes – October 16, 2023 *(Attachment A)*

3. DSR Major Projects' Status Updates *(10 min)*

a. Smart Energy Advice Program Update (CFP Grant)

b. Miyawaki Forests (MVP Grant)

c. Drainage and Stormwater Master Plan update and new FloodWatch map (MVP Grant; worcesterma.gov/floodwatch; *Attachment B*)

d. Lakes and Ponds program:

i. Staff: New Lakes & Ponds Coordinator (Started 11/27)

ii. New Map - Lakes and Ponds Activities Guide - worcesterma.gov/bluespace (*Attachment C*)

e. CDP Reporting Score & Follow-Up

4. Review and Discussion

a. Proposed Meeting Schedule 2024

b. Green Worcester Plan's First Progress Report (Draft), July 2021 – December 2023 *(Attachment D)*

c. Urban Forest Master Plan (2nd Draft) (November, 2023) *(Attachment E)*

5. Standing Items

a. Community Outreach

b. Community Feedback

c. Media

d. Upcoming Events (not DSR organized)

Adjournment

Committee Members

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Evelyn Herwitz, Vice Chair
Patricia Austin
Ted Conna
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Department of Sustainability and Resilience

Our Mission:
To implement the ambitious and urgent goals of the Green Worcester Sustainability and Resilience Strategic Plan (GWP), a roadmap for making Worcester the greenest mid-size city in the country.

Our Staff:
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Translations

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Attachments

Attachment A: October 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attachment B: Potential Street Flooding Locations in Worcester Map

Attachment C: Lakes and Ponds Activities Map

Attachment D: Draft of Green Worcester Plan Progress Report

Attachment E: 2nd Draft of the Urban Forest Master Plan

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