



# Keep Winter Park Beautiful and Sustainable Advisory Board

## Minutes

February 18, 2020 at 11:47 a.m.

City Hall | Chapman Room  
401 S. Park Ave. | Winter Park, Florida

### Present

KWPB&S Advisory Board Members: Carey Bond, David Daly, Mary Dipboye, Ben Ellis, Nora Miller, Stephen Pategas, Bruce Thomas, Ellen Wolfson

City of Winter Park Staff: Kris Stenger, Sustainability Manager; Vanessa Balta Cook, Sustainability Planner; Agnieszka Tarnawska, Sustainability Assistant; Omar Sadek, Sustainability Intern

Guests: Commissioner Todd Weaver; Jody Lazar, WP Library; Ann Francis, Rollins College; Josie Balzac-Arroyo, Rollins College and Law & Environmental Sustainable Community Engagement Class; Dermot De Faoite, Resident; Marty Sullivan, Resident

### Absent

None.

### Meeting called to order

Chair Ben Ellis called the meeting to order at 11:47 a.m.

## 1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

### Welcome

Welcomed Rollins Professor Josie Balzac-Arroyo, J.D., LL.M. and students in Law and Environmental Sustainable Community Engagement Class to the meeting. Students are working on a recommendation for a sustainable procurement policy for the City this semester.

### Approval of minutes

Motion made by Stephen P. to approve January 21<sup>st</sup> minutes. Mary D. seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

### Citizen Comments

Resident Dermot White provided an update on the Sandlewood Condos recycling program pilot. Dermot W. is working with WastePro and HOA management to add 2 recycling carts to complex. Working with Sustainability Program to create a recycling education program for residents. Resident expressed he would like to see all multifamily residential properties in Winter Park include recycling. Board/staff discussed feasibility of recycling dropoff locations for multifamily residents lacking space for recycling infrastructure.

### Staff Report

Staff report was emailed to board members. Vanessa B. C. shared drone footage of solar installation on City's water treatment plant that is located in Duke Energy territory. System is nearly fully installed, waiting on Duke for connection. Kris S. mentioned that the City of Winter Park will be hosting this year's Florida Sustainability

Directors Networks Annual Meeting at the Winter Park Country Club. Vanessa B.C provided a quick update on the Green Business Recognition Program (GBRP) and introduced Rollins Bonner Program Intern Omar Sadek who will be focusing on GBRP engagement and outreach. The Sustainability Program was awarded an additional Rollins Bonner Program Intern, Amber Lim, she will be joining the team later in the month. Staff also shared Earth Day in the Park artwork for Park Press/WP Magazine ads. Vanessa B.C. also provided a quick overview of the Rehrig Service Verification System for garbage/recycling collection and mentioned that staff had applied for a Recycling Partnership \$16K grant for pre- and post- tagging mailers and tagging program. Kris S. displayed the City's recently received SolSmart Gold Designation plaque. Kris S. also shared that he received good feedback from Custom Home Builders Group on EV readiness ordinance, next steps are to take it back to Planning & Zoning Board and City Commission. Vanessa B.C. also mentioned that board member Mary D. brought the Florida Climate Week ([ideasforum.org/climateweek/](https://ideasforum.org/climateweek/)) initiative to staff and an EV Ride and Drive in partnership with the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy will be scheduled for Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> from 1pm to 5pm at the Winter Park Library.

## 2. ACTIONS TAKEN

Staff requested the board consider sponsoring the meals (\$1,000) for the Florida Sustainability Directors Network Annual Meeting being held in Winter Park. Motion made by Stephen P. to sponsor the meals for the Florida Sustainability Directors Network Annual Meeting. Vice Chair Ellen W. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

## 3. INFORMATIONAL

### Staff Presentation

Agnieszka T. presented on the topic "Composting bioplastic bags: Truly bag to Nature?" Presentation topics included terminology, certification labels and pros & cons.

### Green Minute

Stephen P. shared on his recent visit to Park Avenue Smoothies Café. Even though they dined in, nearly everything was served in single-use/disposable containers. He urged students to let businesses know how important plastic reduction is to them and encourage them to become a green business so they can reduce their business' overall environmental impact.

Mary D. recognized resident Marty Sullivan who is running for Winter Park City Commission for his interests in sustainability.

### Winter Park Blooms Committee

Stephen P. mentioned that he provided a presentation at the most recent Public Art Advisory Board meeting on murals on the Farmers Market doors and preparations for America In Bloom Judging (April 27-28) are underway. Staff will send board Caladium Sales volunteer sign up to board.

### Sustainability Action Plan

BEW-5: Residential Potable Water Average Annual Usage

CEGE-2: Recognized Green Businesses

WDR-1: Waste Diverted from Landfill

### Finance

None.

### 2020 Sponsorships

Gold Community Partner: Covanta; Silver Community Partners: Big Frog Custom T-Shirts & More, Charles Clayton Construction, Panera Bread, Rollins College, Winter Park Garden Club; Bronze: Massey; Green Sustainer: DeCiccio & Johnson, The Law Offices of Douglas W. Bond, PA, Hortus Oasis

## **Earth Day**

Vanessa B.C. provided an update on schedule, confirmed participants and event planner. Information now available at [cityofwinterpark.org/earthday](http://cityofwinterpark.org/earthday). Stephen P. mentioned having strolling live musicians.

## **4. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Agenda Requests/Announcements/Action Items**

## **5. ADJOURNMENT**

### **Action Items**

Nora M. made a motion to adjourn at 1:01 p.m., seconded by Bruce T. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

### **Evaluate Meeting**

What Worked/What Didn't Work:

Respectfully submitted,

*Vanessa Balta Cook*  
Recording Secretary