



# Keep Winter Park Beautiful and Sustainable Advisory Board Virtual Regular Meeting

## Minutes

July 20, 2021 at 11:45 a.m.

### Present

KWPB&S Advisory Board Members: Lynne Bachrach, Carey Bond, Ben Ellis, Danielle Flipse (virtual), Catherine (Kay) Hudson, Stephen Pategas, Rosemary Salow (virtual)

City of Winter Park Staff: Vanessa Balta, Sustainability Program Manager; Agnieszka Tarnawska, Sustainability Specialist; Bobby Sena, Sustainability Intern; Clarissa Howard, Communications & Public Engagement Department Director; Aaron Hull, Planning Specialist

Guests: Mikayla Miller, Winter Park Public Library; Anne Simpson, Winter Park Public Library; Zoe Herdt, Winter Park Library; Dermot White, Sandalwood Creek Condominium Association; Marty Sullivan, WP Commissioner Seat 1; Todd Weaver, WP Commissioner Seat 4

### Absent

None

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2. CONSENT AGENDA

#### a. Approval of Minutes

Board member Kay H. made a motion to approve the June 15, 2021 minutes, seconded by Carey B. Minutes were approved as presented.

### 3. STAFF UPDATES

#### a. Staff Report

Staff report was emailed to board members. Vanessa B. presented the Park Press ads for board review, the ads highlight the “Think Twice” tool and the Smart Sprinkler Controller rebate offered by the Winter Park Water Utility. She also presented the adult and kid version of the Winter Park Fire Department (WPF) Little Libraries bookmarks which contains tips for sustainable habits. The board provided feedback and requested updates to include the Sustainability Pledge on the adults bookmark and how to properly dispose of the bookmarks. The board also discussed potentially printing the bookmarks on seed paper but agreed it would be better to attach seed paper at a later date for events and not include them in the books for the WPF Little Libraries.

Vanessa B. also shared photos from the City of Winter Park’s Fourth on the Fifth event, she tabled at the event with Sustainability/KWPB information. She also provided an update on the EV Readiness Ordinance that went into effect on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Vanessa B. provided an update on the timeline for Sustainability Action Plan (SAP) Update draft. The draft will be sent to staff liaisons to be sent to board members for their feedback on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### b. Updates on ordinances/ resolutions/ City Commission requests

**Ready for 100.** Vanessa B. provided a summary of Ready for 100 and Renewables Commitment discussion from previous boards/commissioners. The Ready for 100 campaign pledges 100% of community-wide electricity will come from clean and renewable resources by 2035 and 100% of energy (including transportation) will come from clean and renewable resources by 2050. The board discussed the feasibility of joining the Ready For 100 campaign and making a renewables commitment, board member Kay H. entered a motion for the KWPB&S Advisory Board to recommend to the City Commission that the City of Winter Park join the Ready for 100 campaign; seconded by Carey B. The motion was approved as presented. Vanessa B outlined that the next steps would be to forward along a well-crafted version of the recommendation to the city manager's office that would commit the City to 100% renewable goals.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Resident Dermot White made a request for better recycling bins for the Sandalwood Creek condominium community. He requested bins that would allow for further sorting to help reduce contamination. Mr. White would like to see more recycling programs in other multifamily units in the city due to the success of the one employed at Sandalwood Creek Condominiums. Board will follow up with resident.

#### **5. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **a. Funding Request- Winter Park Public Library Seed Library**

The Winter Park Public Library (WPPL) is planning on creating a seed library which would begin at the same time of the opening of the new library. Representatives from WPPL outlined their funding needs such as seeds, seed distribution envelopes, compostable seeding peat pots, and other startup costs. The board discussed specifics of the program and opportunities to collaborate with WPPL on the project. The board will consider their request during next month's budget discussion.

#### **6. BOARD COMMENTS**

##### **a. Green Minute**

Board member Stephen P. wanted to mention that the board, as a part of the gas-powered leaf blower policy discussion encourage residents (including HOAs) to use hand tools instead of powered trimmers, blowers, etc. to accomplish tasks.

Board member Kay H. shared that she is happy with her battery powered lawn mower experience.

##### **b. New Business/Agenda Requests/Announcements**

The board requested WPPL's project to be included in next month's budget discussion. The board asked staff to create a google sheet with the SAP Update board meetings so board members can attend. Vanessa B. will be sending out a Doodle Poll about the next gas-powered leaf blower policy work session for next month.

#### **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Stephen P. made a motion to adjourn at 12:51 p.m., seconded by Carey B. Next meeting is August 17, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

*Vanessa A. Balta*, Board Liaison