



# ***Environmental Advisory Board***

## **Meeting Agenda**

April 23, 2025 3:00 P.M.

Centennial II HR Conference Room B

805 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Virtual Attendance through Microsoft Teams

### **Order of Business**

- I. Public Comment**
- II. Call to Order**
- III. Administrative Action\***
  - Approval of March 26, 2025 – Meeting minutes
- IV. Office of Environment and Sustainability Comments**
  - Seeds of Change Grants - Open Call for Applications due 4/30/2025
- V. Information/Updates**
  - City Budget process updates
  - Local funding/grant updates
    - i. GU, GWORV, State funding H2Ohio
- VI. Items for Vote\***
  - November & December meeting changes:
    - November: change from 26<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>
    - December: change from 24<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>
- VII. Presentations**
  - Regional Impacts from Federal Changes – Van Sullivan
  - NAACP EJ Committee: 3 Focal Points for Community Action – April Roush
- VIII. Open Discussion**
  - Comments on Action with Policy Focus:
    - i. Codifying Environmental Justice
    - ii. Green Infrastructure/Stormwater
- IX. Next Meeting**
  - May 28, 2025 at 3pm; Centennial II HR Conference Room B; 805 Central Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
- X. Adjournment**

*\*Board Action Requested*

### **Agenda Packet Materials:**

- Draft meeting minutes from 3/26/2025
- Van Sullivan presentation slides
- NAACP Presentation slides

# 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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**