



**City of Bloomington**

**Environmental Commission**

The mission of the Environmental Commission is to promote the stewardship and preservation of the city's environment and natural resources by seeking out and responding to emerging issues, addressing them with sound long-term policy recommendations, and increasing local environmental awareness and engagement.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION NOTICE and REGULAR SESSION AGENDA**

February 19, 2026, 6:00 PM  
Hooker Meeting Room #245  
City Hall, 401 N Morton Street Bloomington, IN 47404  
Hybrid Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting here:

<https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/8657231124?pwd=mPqboSiD0AhVwKSgkuW2aO7NHixihO.1&omn=81563021562>

Meeting ID: 865 723 1124

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or on Community Access Television Service (CATS): <https://catstv.net/government.php>.

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## **Environmental Commission Members**

Carrie Albright, Chair

Appointed by Mayor

Term: February 1, 2026 to January 31, 2028

Heidi Brown

Appointed by Mayor

Term: February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2027

Nadia Cain

Appointed by Common Council

Term: February 1, 2024 to January 31, 2026

Matt Caldie, Vice Chair & Treasurer

Appointed by Mayor

Term: February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2027

Adam Fudickar

Appointed by Common Council

Term: February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2027

Shannon Gayk

Appointed by Common Council

Term: February 1, 2026 to January 31, 2028

Adam Martinez, Secretary

Appointed by Common Council

Term: February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2027

Mitchell Owens

Appointed by Common Council

Term: February 1, 2026 to January 31, 2028

Vacancies: 4

1. Call to Order and Quorum Confirmation:

2. Introductions and Roll Call

|                 | <u>In Person</u> | <u>Absent</u> | <u>Zoom</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Carrie Albright |                  |               |             |
| Heidi Brown     |                  |               |             |
| Nadia Cain      |                  |               |             |
| Matt Caldie     |                  |               |             |
| Adam Fudickar   |                  |               |             |
| Shannon Gayk    |                  |               |             |
| Adam Martinez   |                  |               |             |
| Mitchell Owens  |                  |               |             |

3. Approval of January 15, 2026 minutes\*

|                 | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Abstain</u> |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Carrie Albright |            |           |                |
| Heidi Brown     |            |           |                |
| Nadia Cain      |            |           |                |
| Matt Caldie     |            |           |                |
| Adam Fudickar   |            |           |                |
| Shannon Gayk    |            |           |                |
| Adam Martinez   |            |           |                |
| Mitchell Owens  |            |           |                |

4. Approval of February 4, 2026 minutes\*

|                 | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Abstain</u> |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Carrie Albright |            |           |                |
| Heidi Brown     |            |           |                |
| Nadia Cain      |            |           |                |
| Matt Caldie     |            |           |                |
| Adam Fudickar   |            |           |                |
| Shannon Gayk    |            |           |                |
| Adam Martinez   |            |           |                |
| Mitchell Owens  |            |           |                |

5. Public comment

Limit 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes total

6. New Business

- a. Updates from City of Bloomington Legal Department (Rachael Johnson, Jackie Scanlan, Jennifer Crossley, and Enedina Kassamianian)
- b. Environmental Commission Handbook Discussion (Carrie Albright)

- c. Environmental Commission Handbook Update\* (Matt Caldie)
- d. Elections\* (Carrie Albright)
- e. Tree Commission Appointment\* (Rachael Johnson)

## 7. Old Business

- a. Sustainable Energy Utility Project - Update
- b. Working group updates
  - i. Biodiversity
    - 1. Mayor's Monarch Pledge
  - ii. Eco-Heroes
  - iii. ECPC
    - 1. Previously submitted to Council: "Recommendations Regarding Amendments to Unified Development Ordinance Memorandum"
    - 2. Public Comment Received: "Objections to the proposed subdivision at 2511 N. Dunn St."
  - iv. Light Pollution
  - v. Outreach & Education
  - vi. Special Projects
  - vii. Water Quality

## 8. Staff Update

- a. Unified Development Ordinance Environmental Amendments
  - a. Landscape Amendments
- b. 2026 Monroe County Master Gardener Garden Fair
  - a. Registration & Fee\*
- c. Grandview Elementary STEM Night 2026
  - a. Registration\*
- d. Earth Day
  - a. Table Registration\*

## 9. Reports from:

- a. Tree Commission (TC)
- b. Environmental Resource Advisory Council (ERAC)
- c. Friends of Lake Monroe (FOLM)
- d. Bloomington Commission on Sustainability (BCOS)
- e. Monroe County – Identify and Reduce Invasive Species (MC-IRIS)

f. Clean Community Program

10. Commissioner Announcements

11. Upcoming Events

- a. 2026 Monroe County Master Gardener Garden Fair – Saturday, April 11, 2026
- b. Eco-Heroes Judging – week of April 6 to April 10, 2026
- c. Earth Day – Saturday, April 18, 2026

12. Upcoming Meeting

- a. March 26, 2026, 6:00 pm, Hooker Room, Zoom, and CATS

13. Adjournment

*\* Item to be voted on*

The views expressed here are solely those of the Environmental Commission as approved in their public meetings, and do not necessarily reflect the views, policies, or positions of the City of Bloomington. Only the Office of the Mayor has the authority to issue policy statements on behalf of the Executive Branch of the City of Bloomington.

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As a quorum of the Commission or its committees may be present, this gathering constitutes a meeting under the Indiana Open Door Law (I.C. § 5-14-1.5). For that reason, this statement provides notice that this meeting will occur and is open for the public to attend, observe, and record what transpires.

The City offers virtual options, including CATS public access television (live and tape delayed) found at <https://catstv.net/>. Working group meetings may be found at <https://bton.in/ECWGreco>.

Commission appointments may serve up to 90 days after a term has expired.