

Environmental Commission Meeting

Public Notice and Agenda for Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:00pm

This meeting will be held in the Hooker Conference Room (Suite 245, City Hall, 401 N. Morton St) and may also be accessed via zoom at the following link:

[Bloomington Environmental Commission Zoom Link](#)¹

As a quorum of this 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.

Bloomington Environmental Commission meetings can be watched on the following websites:

- [Link to CATS TV](#) can be found here: <https://catstv.net/index.php>

Materials for this meeting can be found on the [Bloomington Environmental Commission's website](#)².

Board Membership

Pursuant to applicable law and policy, and in compliance with Indiana Code 5-14-9-6, the following details are provided regarding the officers serving on this committee:

Commission Member	Appointed By	Appointment Date	Term
Carrie Albright	Mayor	02/01/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Heidi Brown	Mayor	08/29/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Matt Caldie	Mayor	02/01/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Karl Gaisser	Common Council	03/04/2026	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Adam Martinez	Common Council	02/01/2025	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
Justin Meschter	Common Council	03/04/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Mitchell Owens	Common Council	02/01/2026	02/01/2026-01/31/2028

¹ Zoom Link:

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/8657231124?pwd%3DmPqboSiD0AhVwKSGkuW2aO7NHixihO.1%26omn%3D81563021562&sa=D&source=calendar&ust=1774096922177101&usg=AOvVaw1kHWcvSnKwgoBVFFYCopfj>

²Bloomington Environmental Commission website: <https://bloomington.in.gov/boards/environment>

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Vacancy	Mayor	Not Applicable	02/01/2025-01/31/2027
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Vacancy	Mayor	Not Applicable	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Vacancy	Common Council	Not Applicable	02/01/2026-01/31/2028
Vacancy	Common Council	Not Applicable	02/01/2025-01/31/2027

Agenda

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of Agenda and Memoranda/Minutes

- A. Approval of September 17, 2026 Agenda*
- B. Approval of July 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes*
 - 1. [July 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes Link](#)³

3. Public Comments

Limit 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes total.

4. Reports

- A. Commissioner Reports
 - 1. Walk-in Items
- B. Staff Reports
 - 1. Planning & Transportation Department Reports
 - a. Environmental Resources Advisory Council Seat
 - b. Website Materials and Resources
 - c. Board and Commission Member Training - September 30, 2026
5:30-7pm in Council Chambers
 - 1. [Registration Link](#)⁴
 - 2. Legal Department Reports

5. New Business

- A. Social Media (Carrie Albright)

³ July 17, 2026 Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes Link:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ufa8PcEnoqkFWAHiWD9beINI32OXa5cts3u43kbPjdE/edit?usp=sharing>

⁴ Board and Commission Member Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/GEphW89Dpa4Ab3Tf7>

1. Bee City Committee Updates: September Events, National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) BioBlitz*
 - a. [NRPA BioBlitz Link](#)⁵
 - b. [Bee Campus-City Final Film Flyer Link](#)⁶
- B. Discussion of Proposed Reduction of Environmental Commission Seats (Karl Gaisser)
- C. Bug Fest (Carrie Albright)
 1. [Bug Bingo Link](#)⁷

6. Old Business

- A. Update Regarding Bloomington Commission on Sustainability/Environmental Commission Special Session
- B. Update Regarding Monroe Water Treatment Plant Tour

7. Commissioner Announcements

8. Upcoming Meeting

- A. October 15, 2026, 6:00pm, Hooker Conference Room at Bloomington City Hall, Zoom and CATS

8. Adjournment

* Item to be voted on

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⁵ NRPA BioBlitz Link:

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⁶ Bee Campus-City Final Film Flyer Link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tgHJwVaEF0dafVBRJARUfrnnbdAC6-JI/view?usp=drive_link

⁷ Bug Bingo Link:

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