



**City of Bloomington  
Environmental Commission**

The mission of the Environmental Commission is to advise the City of Bloomington on how its actions and policies may preserve and enhance the quality of Bloomington's environment, including the life-supporting processes that natural ecological systems provide to humans and other organisms.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA**

19 May 2022, 6:00 PM  
Hybrid meeting

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/83625517111?pwd=VXRhc0h4OG5zMHBiSkZaZ2t5U2lzQT09> (map)

or in person in the Hooker Room, 245, City Hall

1. Call to order and quorum confirmation:
2. Introductions:
3. Approval of minutes:\* April and March
4. Public comment: Limit 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes total
5. Presentation: Christian Freitag, the Southern Indiana Sentinel Landscape program ([www.sentinellandscapes.org](http://www.sentinellandscapes.org))
6. Reports from: Tree Commission (TC), Monroe County Environmental Commission (MCEC), Bloomington Commission on Sustainability (BCOS), Environmental Resource Advisory Council (ERAC), Metropolitan Planning Organizing-Citizens Advisory Council (MPOCAC), Friends of Lake Monroe (FOLM), & Monroe County-Identify and Reduce Invasive Species (MC-IRIS).
7. Discussion from active working groups:\_\_\_
  - A. Biodiversity working group:
    1. Connectivity Plan next steps
    2. BEQI progress update
  - B. Air Quality working group: update
  - C. ECPC (Environmental Commission Planning Committee): update
8. Old business:
  - A. Letter of support for ban on polypropylene erosion/turf netting: Re-vote\*
  - B. Handbook revision update\*

9. New Business:

A. Bug Fest

10. Commissioner announcements:

11. Adjournment:

\* Item to be voted on

Next EC meeting: June 16, 2022, 6:00 p.m., Hooker Room and zoom

Statement on public meetings during public health emergency

*As a result of Executive Orders issued by the Governor, Eric Holcomb, the Commission and its committees may adjust normal meeting procedures to adhere to guidance provided by state officials. These adjustments may include:*

- allowing members of the Commission and its committees to participate in meetings electronically;*
- posting notices and agendas for meetings solely by electronic means;*
- using electronic meeting platforms to allow for remote public attendance and participation (when possible);*
- encouraging the public to watch meetings via Community Access Television Services broadcast or livestream, and encouraging remote substitution of public comment (via email, to [environment@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:environment@bloomington.in.gov)).*

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 Bloomington Environmental Commission (EC) wishes to acknowledge and honor the indigenous communities native to this region, and recognize that the City of Bloomington, Indiana was built on indigenous homelands and resources.