



**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 NOTICE and REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

April 20, 2023, 6:00 PM
Hybrid meeting

Join Zoom Meeting here:

<https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/87950762521?pwd=UmQ4VjA1UnRaam5OUy9WNENrY1hiQT09>

or in person in the Hooker Room 245, Showers City Hall, 401 N. Morton St.
or on Community Access Television Service (CATS),

<https://catstv.net/government.php>.

Auxiliary aids are available upon request with adequate notice.

1. Call to order and quorum confirmation:
2. Introductions and Roll Call:
 - A. In person
 - B. Via Zoom
3. Approval of March 16, 2023 minutes:
 - A. Roll call vote
4. Public comment: Limit 5 minutes per person, 20 minutes total
5. Old business:
 - a. Eco Heroes update
 - b. UDO update discussion
 - c. Garden Fair recap
6. New business:
 - a. Open Door Law discussion
 - b. Commissioner vacancies

7. 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).

8. Commissioner announcements:

a. Eco Heroes ceremony 4/22/23, Council Chambers reminder

9. Adjournment:

* Item to be voted on

Next EC meeting: May 18, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Hooker Room, Zoom, and CATS

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 both by electronic means and physically.*
- *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).*

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.