

*Committee on the Environment*  
*City of Takoma Park, Maryland*

**Agenda — Oct 2019**

**Monday, Oct 7, 2019** 7:15pm-9:00pm, Takoma Park Community Center – Hydrangea Room  
 12 members – quorum at 6

John Ackerly  
 Denis Borum  
 Jeffrey Brokaw  
 Sharon Cohen  
 Colleen Cordes

Hellen Gelband  
 Seth Grimes  
 Kopal Jha  
 Drew Silton  
 Kirsten Stade

Gina Matthias—Sustainability manager

| Item   | Min--end | Notes   |
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| Preliminaries:<br>Roll call, review of Sept. minutes, review of agenda | 10m–7:25 | New Member Welcome (Colleen, Michael), Do we need time for Zero waste discussion?   |
| Public Comments  | 5m–7:30  |   |
| 2019 Sustainability and Climate Action Plan: Gina Matthias             | 30m-8:00 | Update on the GHG Inventory & Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Survey results</li> <li>● Next steps - Cadmus Focus</li> </ul> |
| Urban Forest Subcommittee: Jeff Brokaw                                 | 30m-8:30 | Jeff has an updated recommendation for the City Council.  |
| Small Cell Towers  | 10m-8:40 | A citizen committee is working on this. MoCo is also working on it, and has jurisdiction.   |
| Swath Mowing   | 5m-8:45  | Helen shared her advocacy letter to the states.   |
| Adjourn  | 8:50     |   |

**Next Meeting: Mon, October 7, Hydrangea Room**

**SEPTEMBER ACTION ITEMS**

- Jeff will send the electronic version of the tree canopy recommendations to the committee ASAP. Members will review it this week and send comments to Jeff.
- Add tree canopy recommendations to October CoE.
- Add zero waste to October CoE agenda.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- City Council Work Sessions on the Urban Forest - Oct. 16, 23, 30. Recommendations due by the 16th.
- Thursday, October 10 - Community Choice Energy Town Hall <https://secure.foodandwateraction.org/act/md-community-choice-energy-town-hall> (See attached one pager on CCE)
- Sunday, October 20 - 2:00 - 4:30 pm - Drawdown Workshop - Takoma Park Community Center
- Sunday, October 20, 4:00 - 6:00 pm - Progressive Legislative Forum - District 20 - Piney Branch School, Takoma Park
- Tuesday, October 22, 7:00 - 9:00 pm - TPMEC Meeting - Historic Takoma

## **POINTS OF CONTACT FOR COMMITTEE WORK**

- Education & Outreach: Kirsten & Seth
- Energy: John, Elizabeth, Michael & Seth
- Library: John & Elizabeth
- Urban Forest: Jeffrey, Sharon
- Zero Waste: Kirsten & Seth