

# Committee on the Environment

City of Takoma Park, Maryland

# Agenda — February 2020

**Monday, Feb 3, 2020** 7:15pm-9:00pm, Takoma Park Community Center – Hydrangea Room  
11 members

John Ackerly  
Denis Borum  
Jeffrey Brokaw  
Sharon Cohen  
Colleen Cordes

Michael Feldman-Wienczek  
Hellen Gelband  
Seth Grimes  
Kopal Jha  
Kirsten Stade

Elizabeth Thompson  
Gina Matthias—Sustainability manager

Item	Notes
Preliminaries: 7:15 – 7:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Approve January minutes (see CommEnv_Nov_2019_Notes.doc).</li><li>• Review and approve agenda.</li><li>• 2 candidates are available for appointment</li></ul>
Public Comments: 7:25 – 7:30	
2020 Sustainability and Climate Action Plan: 7:30 – 7:55 (Gina Matthias)	<p><b>City Council Presentations, Feedback and Current Plan</b> including budget recommendations, priorities, and co-benefits.</p> <p><b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b></p> <p><b>WORKING GROUP ON WASTE</b> Gina will send a notice to CoE members.</p> <p><b>COLLABORATION WITH OTHER TKPK GROUPS on ADVOCACY and EDUCATION</b> Do we want to do something more collaborative? Maybe more structured than joining their list-servs? Eg. Interested members of the public suggested a lecture of sustainable food.</p>
2020 Priorities: 7:55 - 8:10	The changes that we agreed upon at the last meeting have been incorporated into the <a href="#">2020 Priorities doc</a> . Regarding Seth’s proposal of adding zero waste as a 3rd priority, do we want to 1) note in priority #1 that zero waste strategies contribute to and are a meaningful part of GHG reduction strategies, add it as unique, 3rd priority, not mention it, or something else? Additionally, do we want to address other consumables (such as food and drink) in a similar way?
Urban Forest Subcommittee: 8:20 – 8:35 (Jeff)	Jeff and the tree subcommittee may share an update. The individuals involved shared their proposed urban forest activity/budget document with the Council.
Incubator Idea: 8:35 – 8:45 (Hellen)	Hellen will share information with the committee.
Adjourn: 8:45	

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 2, Hydrangea Room**