

**Environmental Advisory Board**  
**March 26, 2025**  
**Meeting Agenda**

Call to Order

**6:36 p.m.**

Roll Call

- Present: Jenni Braun-Palizewski, Linda Alison, Benjamin Elmwood, Michael Fitch, Nathan Christianson (Virtual), Maria Rotunda (Virtual) Bridger Tomlin (Staff), Stephanie Ashman (Staff)
- Public - None

Agenda Approval – Approved Unanimously

Approval of Minutes from the January 29, 2025 meeting – Correction noted below otherwise approved

- Linda Alison – Wanted a correction in the minutes to read that her family farm and land were not donated, but sold to the City.

Public Comment - None

City Council Liaison Report- None

New Business

- Presentation: Native Turf Conversion—Stephanie Ashmann, Community Services
  - Informed the EAB on the importance of changing the way the community looks at turf and to encourage less turf or native turf which requires less water
  - Stephanie provided a report on her Neighborhood Turf Conversion project which works with HOA's to do turf conversion projects. Stephanie shared outcomes of the project, specifically how it provides
    - Rebate funds to HOA's for conversion projects
    - Right-of-Way landscape design templates
- Identify and review desired departmental presentations/speakers on nature-based climate solutions
  - Community Services: Planning and zoning and turf conversion projects
  - Public Works and Utilities: Stormwater
  - Parks Recreation and Libraries: Tree canopy, community gardens, City landscaping and parks practices
- Discuss demonstration gardens/nature-based solutions community engagement initiative: identify goals, desired outcomes, and next steps – tabling till next month
- Earth Day and Great Global Clean Up
  - April 19 is desired date for EAB to do clean-up
  - Going to ask Your Advisory to join
  - EAB will plan to attend community BBQ at City Park after clean up
- Review City Council meeting agenda forecast

Staff Reports or Other Announcements

- Sustainability Plan Progress Report, April 7<sup>th</sup> Info-Only to City Council
  - Bridger will be speaking – EAB can come to council to support City’s work on Nature base climate solutions.
- Switch Together tabling opportunity
- 2026 Budget Planning Requests—request EAB to begin thinking of requests/items and encourage to attend budget open house events
- Other

Adjournment

**8:05 p.m.**

Next Meeting: April, 30, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

**The mission of the Environmental Advisory Board is to:** advise City Council and Staff on environmental matters and sustainability. The EAB engages with our community and advocates for collaborative, bold, and scaleable solutions for a clean, vibrant, and resilient Westminster for current and future generations.