



## Minutes

### Environment Advisory Committee

### The Corporation of the City of Brampton

**Tuesday, October 1, 2024**

**Members Present:**

Raman Vasudev (Co-Chair)  
Sherry-Ann Ram (Co-Chair)  
Charles Coimbra  
Subhash Chander Duggal  
Neil Fairhead  
Sandra Roppa

**Members Absent:**

Sukran Balaban (regrets)  
Brajgeet Bhathal (regrets)  
Pushproop Brar  
Hardik Mankad  
Shailly Prajapati  
Regional Councillor G. Toor - Wards 9 and 10 (personal)

**Staff Present:**

Pam Cooper, Manager, Environmental Planning, Planning, Building  
and Growth Management  
Kristina Dokoska, Policy Planner - Environment, Planning, Building  
and Growth Management  
Karline McCawley, Environmental Project Specialist, Planning,  
Building and Growth Management  
Sonya Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator, City Clerk's Office

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. and adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

The following motion was considered.

**EAC026-2024**

That the agenda for the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting of October 1, 2024, be approved, as amended, to add the following item:

- 8.1 Discussion re: Private Property Maintenance and Prohibited Plants By-law (Grass and Weed Cutting By-law 166-2011 Update)

Carried

3. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

Nil

4. **Previous Minutes**

4.1 Minutes - Environment Advisory Committee - August 6, 2024

The minutes were considered by Committee of Council on September 4, 2024 and were approved by Council on September 11, 2024. The minutes were provided for Committee's information.

5. **Presentations\Delegations**

Nil

6. **Reports/Updates**

6.1 Verbal Update from Karline McCawley, Environmental Project Specialist, Planning, Building and Growth Management, re: Dearbourne Pollinator Planting Event

Karline McCawley, Environmental Project Specialist, Planning, Building and Growth Management, provided an overview of the Dearbourne Park pollinator habitat planting event held on September 21, 2024.

In response to questions from Committee staff provided information regarding the theme and materials used for the painting activity, and advised this activity was open to all ages.

The following motion was considered.

**EAC027-2024**

That the verbal update from Karline McCawley, Environmental Project Specialist, Planning, Building and Growth Management, to the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting of October 1, 2024, re: **Dearbourne Pollinator Planting Event**, be received.

Carried

6.2 Verbal Update from Kristina Dokoska, Policy Planner - Environment, Planning, Building and Growth Management, re: Climate Change Adaptation Plan

Kristina Dokoska, Policy Planner - Environment, Planning, Building and Growth Management, provided an update regarding the Climate Change Adaptation Plan, which included information on the development of the plan, timelines for review, and public engagement and education. In addition, Kristina advised that staff will be seeking input from Committee members on the draft plan and actions within, and encouraged members to assist with public engagement.

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- Opportunities for the Committee to support the plan, including through community outreach and promoting the plan once its released to the public
- Target age group for engagement
- Engaging the younger generation and opportunities to attend local schools

The following motion was considered.

**EAC028-2024**

That the verbal update from Kristina Dokoska, Policy Planner - Environment, Planning, Building and Growth Management, to the Environment Advisory

Committee Meeting of October 1, 2024, re: **Climate Change Adaptation Plan**, be received.

Carried

**7. Sub-Committees**

7.1 Sub-Committee Progress Updates

Sherry-Ann Ram, Co-Chair, provided an update on behalf of the Ad-Hoc Pollinator Sub-committee, which included an overview of discussions at the previous meeting regarding the Grass and Weed Cutting By-law update, initiatives to encourage natural gardens, and a future delegation to the Committee of Council in June 2025 for Pollinator Week.

**8. Other New/Business**

8.1 Discussion re: Private Property Maintenance and Prohibited Plants By-law (Grass and Weed Cutting By-law 166-2011 Update)

Pam Cooper, Manager, Environmental Planning, Planning, Building and Growth Management, provided a brief overview of the Private Property Maintenance and Prohibited Plants By-law (Grass and Weed Cutting By-law 166-2011 Update), which was presented at the August 6, 2024 Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting, and outlined the opportunity for the Committee to delegate in support of this by-law at a future Committee of Council meeting. It was noted that a meeting date has not been confirmed.

Staff responded to questions from Committee with respect to the by-law update, and consideration was given to selecting representatives to delegate on behalf of the EAC at a future Committee of Council meeting in support of the subject by-law.

The following motion was considered.

**EAC029-2024**

That Sherry-Ann Ram, Co-Chair, and Charles Coimbra be selected as representatives of the Environment Advisory Committee to delegate at a future Committee of Council meeting in support of the Private Property Maintenance and Prohibited Plants By-law (Grass and Weed Cutting By-law 166-2011 Update).

Carried

9. **Correspondence**

Nil

10. **Question Period**

Nil

11. **Public Question Period**

Nil

12. **Adjournment**

The following motion was considered.

**EAC030-2024**

That the Environment Advisory Committee do now adjourn to meet again for a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

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Raman Vasudev – Co-Chair

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Sherry-Ann Ram – Co-Chair