

Environmental Sustainability Committee (City of Mountain Brook)

Kick-Off Meeting March 21, 2024

Ruffner Nature Center 2:00-4:00p

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Introduction of ES committee members and supporting city staff (council liaison, Graham Smith will be absent)
 - a. Self-introductions
 - b. Areas of special interest to each member – vision for MB
- III. Special Order
 - a. Describe ES committee structure
 - i. Handout of adopted Council Motion establishing ES committee
 - b. Describe ES committee role and city council expectations
 - i. Be responsive to emails from staff and chair; refrain from “replying to ALL” and reply only to sender
 - ii. Attend meetings with regularity
 - iii. Give chair and speakers the floor in meetings
 - iv. Suggest on-going ways to facilitate ideas and projects
 - v. Volunteer to set up, take down, or host events as needed
 - vi. Volunteer in other ways that suit your talents
- IV. Report of Director of PB&S
 - a. Maintaining Certifications (see Council Motion)
 - b. Familiarize with MBee on-line resources
 - c. Objectives
 - i. Discussion of Director’s Proposed action plan
 1. Earth Day (Mon, April 22)
 2. Citizen Appreciation Day educational event (Sat, April 27)
 3. New 2024 native garden(s), traffic islands, soft landing under oak tree at CH garden, or other
 4. Native plant giveaway (National Pollinator Week June 17-23)
 5. Bee City mandatory IPM (integrated pest management) plan with Public Works and Parks/Rec (due by end of 2024)
 6. AGZA certification requirements
 7. Outreach to get schools involved
 8. Develop a long-range plan for a Teaching Pollinator Habitat in Memory Triangle?

- V. New Business:
 - i. Nominate and appoint Chair, Co-Chair, and Secretary
 - ii. Organizational structure of the Committee
 - 1. how best to funnel new ideas to committee for consideration
 - 2. how each member can be involved in individual roles
 - 3. how to structure flow of meetings, information, and new ideas
 - iii. Meeting Schedule for 2024 (Mondays at 4:00-5:00p)
 - iv. Budget for FY 2024
 - v. Group Photo for The Reporter
 - vi. Other Business
- b. Adjourn