# DRAFT OF MINUTES PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION April 4, 2019

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Diego LLerena, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those present. The following attended the meeting:

### 1. ROLL CALL

# **MEMBERS:**

David Ames Diego LLerena Ann Maxwell Derrick Smith

## **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Lisa Kirby, City of Greenville Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville Chad Carwein, ECU

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# 3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Dr. Ames to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maxwell and passed unanimously.

# 4. APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2019 MINUTES

Dr. Ames made a motion to approve the March 7, 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maxwell and passed unanimously.

#### 5. ANNOUCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

# 7. COMMISSION REPORTS

# A. ECU Sustainability Report

Mr. Carwein announced the following:

- Sierra Club will be meeting on April 8, 2019 at 7pm with guest speaker Christina Richie discussing Sustainability in Healthcare;
- Bike Month will be held in May and two events currently planned are the Ride of Silence on May 15, 2019 and the Fiesta Biathlon on May 19, 2019.
- ECU will be celebrating Earth Week during the week of April 9, 2019. Mr. Carwein presented a flyer with events during the week.

### 8. NEW BUSINESS

# A. EAC Grant Application Review

Wintergreen Primary School submitted an application to create a sustainable garden. Rain barrels will be utilized to collect rain water for distribution. Mrs. Maxwell asked if the application fulfilled the terms of the grant. Ms. Kirby stated the primary goal of the grant specified stormwater impacts must be prevalent. Mrs. Kirby stated after review of the application, staff felt an education component for pollution prevention and additional measurable goals need to be added. Mrs. Kirby stated staff felt the need to have more questions answered to determine if the application was

beneficial for award by stormwater utility funds. Mrs. Maxwell made a motion to have staff contact the grant applicant to provide the additional requested information. Mr. Smith noted there was a discrepancy in the education line item of the budget sheet. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith and approved unanimously.

# 9. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Clean Water Act Discussion

Mrs. Kirby stated the resolution was sent to City Manager's office and was requested to be added to City Council agenda by Rick Smiley. The resolution will be added to the April 11, 2019 Council meeting.

# B. Sierra Club Sustainability Resolution

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### 10. OTHER-FYI

Mr. LLerena stated the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission had an ad on Facebook and asked if the Environmental Advisory Commission was advertised. It was verified that EAC was posted on the City's Facebook page. Mr. LLerena also asked if EAC needed to advertise for the current vacation of Engineer on the EAC board. Mrs. Kirby stated the City Clerk's office is in charge of the Talent Bank applications for Boards & Commissions.

### 11. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

The following items are proposed for the May 2, 2019 meeting:

Mrs. Maxwell asked that an agenda item be added to discuss the possibility of proposing the initiation of an Environmental Recognition Program for businesses. Dr. Ames also asked to add an item to have staff update EAC on recycling efforts the City may be investigating.

# A. Environmental Recognition Discussion

- **B.** Recycling Efforts
- C. Council Action for Resolution Follow-up

### 11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Dr. Ames made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maxwell and the meeting adjourned.