



# MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

**THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2025, 5:00 PM**  
**In person at City Hall, Room 310.**  
**Virtual attendance also available via Zoom.**

## **A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.**

- I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:

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## **B. ROLL CALL.**

- I. Chair- Christa Kananen; Vice Chair- Ned Dorff; Alder Joey Prestley; Julia Noordyk; Jenny Brinker; Amy Kox; Mark Walter; Daniela Beall; Staff person- Kaurie Mihm

Present: Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk

Excused: Mark Walter, Ned Dorff

Absent: None.

## **C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.**

- I. Approval of the agenda for the Thursday, June 19, 2025, meeting of the Sustainability Commission.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Christa Kananen to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

#### **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

- I. Approval of the minutes from the May 21, 2025 meeting.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Jenny Brinker to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

#### **E. REGULAR BUSINESS.**

- I. For consideration with possible action to recommend the Resolution Opposing the Repeal of Clean Energy Funding Programs in House Concurrent Resolution 14 to Common Council or a standing committee.

Moved by Julia Noordyk, seconded by Jenny Brinker to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

Member of the public: Sr. Sally Ann Brickner, 3110 Nicolet Dr. offered comment and suggestions on wording changes for the proposed resolution.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Julia Noordyk to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Christa Kananen, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to recommend the resolution as amended to Common Council for adoption.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Discussion and possible action by the Sustainability Commission to draft a Rights of Nature resolution.

Moved by Julia Noordyk, seconded by Jenny Brinker to open the floor.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

Member of the public: Sr. Sally Ann Brickner, 3110 Nicolet Dr. offered comments and support for the drafting a Rights of Nature resolution.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Parks Design and Development Kaurie Mihm to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Parks Design and Development Kaurie Mihm to Referring the Commission to proceed with a collaborative process for drafting a Rights of Nature resolution..

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

## **F. INFORMATIONAL.**

### **1. Youth Engagement Work Group**

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Christa Kananen to receive and place on file.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

### **2. Climate Resilience Work Group Report**

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Christa Kananen to receive and place on file the Climate Resiliency work group report. .

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall, Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

### **3. Resiliency Coordinator Updates**

Moved by Julia Noordyk, seconded by Christa Kananen to receive and place on file the Resiliency Coordinator update. .

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall,

Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.

4. Next Meeting: July 16, 2025

### **G. ADJOURNMENT.**

- I. Adjournment for the Thursday, June 19, 2025, meeting of the Sustainability Commission.

Moved by Jenny Brinker, seconded by Christa Kananen to adjourn.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Kaurie Mihm, Amy Kox, Christa Kananen, Jenny Brinker, Joey Prestley, Daniela Beall,  
Julia Noordyk, No-None, Abstain-None.