New Haven



Environmental Advisory Council Meeting Wednesday, November 6, 2024 5:15 P.M.

Web-Based Meeting via Zoom

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order, Introductions and Announcements
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Presentation: Green Grass: Fewer Weeds, No Pesticides
 Jason Henderson, Professor of Turfgrass and Soil Sciences
 UConn Dept of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture

IV. Old Business

- a. Committee Reports Lawn Chemicals, Turf, Energy, Water, Air, Materials Management, Transportation, Soil, Parks, Lights, Noise, Beautification
- b. Updates on Pending City Issues
 - i. English Station remediation still stalled by litigation
 - ii. Wheeler St Transfer Station lawsuit still pending
 - iii. Bird Safe Bldgs Ordinance -not in city plans for now
 - iv. Leaf Blowers electric LB tested at Lighthouse Point Park
 - v. City Playgrounds request no plastic groundcover
 - vi. Tweed Airport Trailer permit renewed/rd being widened
 - vii. Yale Golf Course Expansion construction finishing by Dec
 - viii. Buckeye EJ plan filed w/DEEP, public mtg to be held soon
 - ix. Sirens noise creating public health problems
 - x. Public Housing set back for green space & sun needed
 - xi. Tree Ordinance Update being drafted
- V. New Haven Office of Climate and Sustainability Initiatives
 - a. Welcome to HannahZoe Chua-Reyes, new Policy Analyst
 - b. EPA Community Change Grant under evaluation
 - c. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant geothermal project negotiation completed w/historic preservation considered
- VI. Legislative Update City, State, and Federal
 - a. CGA 2025 Session: January 8 to June 4

VII. New Business

- a. PFAS, toxic chemicals testing for artificial turf fields wanted
- d. Commercial vehicles illegal parking enforcement by TTP

e. Shell Oil/United Metro Energy - Public Meeting Requested

VIII.Adjournment

FUTURE MEETINGS: 2024: Dec 4 2025: Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 2, May 7, Jun 4, Sep 3, Nov 5, Dec 3

REPORT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

New Haven Environmental Health Complaints – See-Click-Fix https://seeclickfix.com/web_portal/WAE8vSooYm9Yc9YRgEETwyg F/report/category/36793/location

Odors - CT DEEP Air Complaint Line 860-424-3436 or deep.aircomplaints@ct.gov

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