



CITY OF MADISON HEIGHTS
CITY HALL - MADISON ROOM, 300 W. 13 MILE RD.
ENVIRONMENTAL CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 09, 2026 AT 9:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

1. Excuse Absences (if applicable)

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- [2.](#) Draft Minutes of 1/8/26

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

REPORTS

- [3.](#) Financial Update - Escrow Account
4. Part 115 Materials Management Plan - No Update
5. Seed Library - General Update
- [6.](#) Food Composting Pilot Program - General Update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. Apartment Complex Recycling
8. Spring Plant Sale
9. Spring Litter Pickup
10. 2026 Arbor Day Table

NEW BUSINESS

11. 2026 Mini-Grant Proposal Reviews

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE: Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation through electronic means in this meeting should contact the City Clerk at (248) 583-0826 or by email: clerks@madison-heights.org at least two working days in advance of the meeting. An attempt will be made to make reasonable accommodations.

Environmental Citizen's Committee Meeting
Madison Heights, Michigan
January 08, 2026

A Environmental Citizen's Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, January 08, 2026 at 10:00 AM at City Hall - Madison Room, 300 W. 13 Mile Rd.

Present: Chairman Salley and Members: Ms. Bartleman, Ms. Ellison, Ms. Fox, Councilor Geraldts (left @ 10:49 a.m.), Mr. Olson, and Ms. Studtmann

Absent: Ms. Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, and Ms. Wilkins

Also Present: Director of Public Services Ballantine and Deputy City Clerk Boucher

ECC 01-26. Excuse member(s)

Motion made by Ms. Fox, Seconded by Councilor Geraldts, to excuse Ms. Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, and Ms. Wilkins from today’s meeting.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Geraldts

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

ECC 02-26. Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Olson, Seconded by Ms. Studtmann, to adopt the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2025, as presented.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Geraldts

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

ECC 03-26. Meeting Open to the Public

Ms. Cathy Ellison suggested forming a citizen or youth group for periodic litter pickup, specifically noting accumulation behind Home Depot and Lowe's.

Mr. Matthew Olson suggested creating an event around Earth Day.

ECC 04-26. City Clean Up Subcommittee

Motion by Mr. Olson, Seconded by Ms. Ellison, to approve a City Clean Up subcommittee consisting of Mr. Olson and Ms. Ellison with an event date of Saturday, April 18, 2026.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Geraldts

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

ECC 05-26. Financial Update - Escrow Account

Director of Public Services Ballantine updated that the current balance in the escrow account is \$11,645.59 following the payment for native plant seed packets.

ECC 06-26. Part 115 Materials Management Plan

Director of Public Services Ballantine reported that Oakland County is beginning to reach out to local communities regarding the solid waste law updates. A Zoom meeting is scheduled for next week to discuss high-level management goals focused on diverting waste from landfills and supporting a circular economy.

ECC 07-26. Seed Library

Ms. Studtmann updated that a shipment of 1,000 "Madison Mix" custom native plant seed packets from Stantec Native Plant Nursery is expected to arrive shortly.

Motion made by Ms. Fox, Seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve the Spring Plant Sale date of Sunday, May 24, 2026.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Gerald

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Olson, Seconded by Ms. Ellison, to approve a \$500 budget for an Earth Day speaker on native plants.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Gerald

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

ECC 08-26. Food Composting

Director of Public Services Ballantine reported the pilot program continues to perform well, with approximately 3.5 tons of food waste diverted from landfills during the 2025 calendar year. The committee discussed potential expansion to fire stations or city parks, though current budget limitations remain a factor.

ECC 09-26. Solid Waste – Cart Rollout

Director of Public Services Ballantine reported the cart-only collection program is running smoothly with minimal damage reported (24 broken carts out of approximately 9,600 in use). Most initial resident concerns have subsided as the community adjusts to the new system.

ECC 10-26. 2026 ECC Mini Grant Program

Motion by Ms. Bartleman, Seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve \$5,000 towards the 2026 Environmental Citizen's Committee (ECC) Mini-Grant Program with applications due by April 1, 2026, awardees to be selected at the April 9, 2026, meeting, and announce winners at the "Run for the Health of It" 5K on May 25, 2026.

Voting Yea: Bartleman, Ellison, Fox, Salley, Studtmann, Olson, Councilor Gerald

Absent: Bowen, Councilor Rohrbach, Wilkins

Motion carried.

ECC 11-26. 2026 Board Elections

Director of Public Services Ballantine stated that the election of the Chair and Vice Chair will be postponed until the April 9, 2026, meeting.

ECC 12-26. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Salley adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m. The next meeting is Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 10 a.m.

Item 3.

Date	JNL	Type	Description	Reference #	Debits	Credits	Balance
Fund 705 ESCROW							
07/01/2025			705-000-295-7000 ENVIRONMENTAL CITIZEN COMMITTI		BEG. BALANCE		0.00
07/01/2025	GJ	JE	REVERSE MANUAL JOURNAL ENTRY: 1106330	11063379		13,595.09	(13,595.09)
12/17/2025	AP	INV	STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES	44768	1,950.00		(11,645.09)
06/30/2026			705-000-295-7000	END BALANCE	1,950.00	13,595.09	(11,645.09)

Address	Next Service Day	Active Service(s)	Service Day(s)	Total Weight	Actions
31313 Brush Street	April 8, 2026	Liner Service , 64-Gallon	Wednesday	3,160.00 lbs	Item 6. ⋮
801 Ajax Drive	April 8, 2026	Liner Service x 4 , 64-Gallon x 4	Wednesday	16,906.00 lbs	⋮

Your Environmental Impact

All Locations

01-01-2026 - 04-01

Apply

Statistics are based on CO₂e (Carbon Equivalency). This number allows us to translate abstract measurements into concrete terms we can understand, such as the emissions from cars, households, or power plants. To learn more visit the EPA's [Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator](#).



3,634 lbs diverted!

This is the total weight we have collected from you so far.



23 seedlings planted!

From a greenhouse gas equivalency standpoint your composting efforts are equivalent to 23 urban trees seedlings grown for 10 years.



3,604 miles offset!

Your composting efforts are equivalent to not driving 3,604 miles. Whoa.



163 gallons of gas!

The number of gallons of gasoline offset by diverting food scraps from the landfill



176,608 smartphones charged!

The number of smartphones that haven't spent time charging.



1,606 pounds of coal burned.

You've avoided burning 1,606 pounds of coal. Congrats!



1.8 tons of waste recycled instead of landfilled.

You've saved 1.8 tons from sitting in a landfill. Thank you.