

**MINUTES**  
**INNOVATION, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**  
**JUNE 9, 2023**  
**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS**  
**31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD**  
**FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN**

**CALL TO ORDER BY:** Chairperson Strickfaden at 8:07A.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jon Aldred, Nikolas deWit, Aaron Paluzzi, Erin Quetell, David Richardson, Matt Strickfaden, Jennifer Whitteaker,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Nick Rudofski, Mark Zachos

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Joe Valentine, Assistant City Manager

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Aldred, Support by Quintell to approve the agenda as submitted.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

Member Richardson suggested amending the minutes to accurately reflect his comments at the last meeting on the City of Ann Arbor geothermal program.

Motion by Paluzzi, Support by Quintell to approve the minutes as amended.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

Chairperson Strickfaden solicited ideas from the committee.

Member Aldred suggested an official walking path from the Hawk to Heritage Park. Chairperson Strickfaden suggested expanding bike trails and walking trails and utilizing illuminated paint to mark the trails at night.

Mr. Valentine indicated there is a transportation component of the City's Master Plan and the committee should engage in this effort to advance ideas on mobility within the community.

Member Richardson offer an idea on community solar and geothermal shared use programs.

Member Paluzzi suggested mandating apartments to allow the installation individual solar systems for individual units. He also suggested surplus DTE solar panels could be purchased by the City along with other equipment and resold to the community for a total cost of less than \$5,000 to help initiate solar use. He also suggested solar covered car ports, which Member Quintell also supported.

Member Quintell left the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Chairperson Strickfaden suggested the next meeting could involve a presentation on projection mapping and how the City needs to get ahead of it. Member Whitteaker indicated there may be issues with MDOT with buildings along their property and the freeway.

Mr. Valentine indicated he has a conflict with the regularly scheduled meeting in August. Member Aldred suggested resending the meeting schedule to everyone to see if any other conflicts may exist.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Strickfaden adjourned the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

Minutes drafted by: Joe Valentine for Secretary deWit.