



Environmental Commission
Environmental Health Subcommittee
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2022

AGENDA

LOCATION: City Hall 7AN & Webex

CHAIR CANDACE THOMPSON PRESIDING

PRESENT: [4]

Candace Thompson, District 4	* Dr. Folashade Afolabi, General Public
* Haddijatou Bayo, P.E., General Public	* Dr. Sarah Ashitey, General Public

ABSENT: [2]

Renee Roberson, District 8
Dr. Barry Lachman, District 12 (alternate member)

**Note: Members of the Environmental Health Committee participated in this meeting by video conference.*

***Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened*

The meeting was called to order at 6:24p.m. with a quorum of the Environmental Health Committee present.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

There were no speakers registered.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

I) Vaping Policies

- a) The committee members coordinated plans to research vaping policies. This research will be discussed at the following Environmental Health Committee meeting, in order to inform any potential vaping policy recommendations to the full Environmental Commission.
 - i) Dr. Ashitey & Dr. Afolabi: Highlighting the need for greater public awareness on health impacts of vaping.
 - ii) Dr. Afolabi: Houston has a vaping policy. Would be interesting to look at that as an example.
 - iii) Haddijatou Bayo: Should look into Texas Health and Safety Code vaping regulations.

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II) Concrete Batch Plant Emissions

- a) The committee members coordinated plans to collect data related to emissions from concrete batch plants, including how far emissions may travel and what might be a healthy distance to certain areas. Findings will be discussed at the following Environmental Health Committee meeting, in order to inform and educate the full Environmental Commission.
 - i) Dr. Afolabi: This would be helpful in informing optimal location of new neighborhood air monitors.
 - ii) Chair Thompson: Important to have both quantitative and qualitative data.

ADJOURNMENT


After all business of the Environmental Health Committee had been considered, Dr. Afolabi moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Haddijatou Bayo and unanimously accepted (Commissioners Roberson and Lachman absent). The Environmental Health Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:51p.m.



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Date



Candace Thompson (Dec 8, 2022 21:11 CST)

Approved by:
Candace Thompson, Chair
Environmental Health Committee

Dec 8, 2022

Date

Attachments:

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