

BERKLEY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of June 19, 2025

6:30 PM

2nd Floor Meeting Room, Public Safety Building

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introductions

Called to order at 6:30 members present: Mark Richardson, Noel Rendelman, Tricia Losey, Rebekah Randle, Caroline Brohn-Dicks, Ashley Merz, Jason Benedict (new member!)

2. Approval of Agenda

Losey motioned, Brohn-Dicks support

3. Approval of Minutes of May 2025 meeting

Rendelman motioned, Losey support

4. Public Comment

No one from the public present

5. Chairperson's Report - (Richardson)

The new policy and guidelines for the committees has been approved. Attendance policy has been formalized. It has been emailed out to all board members.

6. City Council Liaison Report - (Councilperson Vilani)

Not Present, no report has been submitted

7. Staff Liaison Report: (Merz)

Getting a new DPW employee in July, trees are being planted.

8. Discussion Item: Report on E-Recycling Day (Rendelman, Losey)

We collected over 700 lbs of cardboard, over 160 lbs of styrofoam and 10 pallets of electronics. How does it compare to the previous year's recycling event? Many citizens commented about being glad it was put on and are looking forward to the next one.

9. Discussion Item: Report on Native Plant Sale (Brohn-Dicks; Losey)

Over 200 plants sold, it seems it was a bit less busy than the previous years. Will connect with Reed to get the final total of money earned.

10. Discussion Item: Report on Bike Corral (Richardson)

Not as busy as previous year; approx. 20-25 bikes. Is it advertised with the Berkley Art Fair organizers? Could we use more small signs further away to show where it's located? Could also use some stronger ways to support bikes without kickstands

11. Action Item: Berkley Clothing Swap Event June 29 (Brohn-Dicks)

Brohn-Dicks has been working on this idea for a while and is excited for the opportunity to connect with the city utilizing their pocket park to make it happen. Richardson made a motion to approve co-sponsoring this event, supported by Losey. It will happen on June 29th from 1-4 at the "pocket park" off Coolidge and Dorthea.

12. Old Business

A meeting schedule must be adopted by November; it will be on the agenda for September.

13. New Business

Motion by Randle to initiate a fall native plant sale, supported by Brohn-Dicks.

Looking into changing locations, possibly the library. Should we alternate dates and do a Saturday?

Community Wide Pathway Plan; coming from the City Master Plan. Benedict will continue to communicate with city council and will report back

14. Announcements

Pollinators Parade going on in Ferndale this weekend.

Berkley Pride festival is this
Sunday

15. Adjourn

8:01 Motion to adjourn by Losey, Supported by Brohn-Dicks meeting is adjourned at