



Green Practices Commission

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Meeting Minutes – University City Green Practices Commission

March 11, 2021

Location: Zoom – Virtual Meeting

Attendees Present: John Solodar (Chairperson), Barbara Brain, Jonathan Stitelman, Timothy Dugan, Adam Staudt, Jenny Wendt (Staff Liaison), Stacy Clay (Council Liaison)

Attendees Absent: Liz Essman

1. Meeting called to order at 5:31pm
2. Opening Round
 - a. Jenny announced the Electronics Recycling Event scheduled Saturday, March 13, 2021
3. Approval of Minutes: 02/11/2021
4. Special Presentations: None
5. New Business
 - a. Missouri Department of Conservation's Community Conservation Grant: Barbara Brain discussed a proposed grant opportunity to preserve Ruth Park Woods by removing invasive species. U City in Bloom is considering this grant opportunity. This is in the early planning stages. Once information is gathered, and if this is a viable proposal, this will be presented to the Director of Parks to discuss with the City Manager. The Green Practices Commission came to a consensus to move forward on this idea.
 - b. Earth Day: Possible Earth Day activities were discussed. Cleanup of the City was suggested, but it is still unknown if this is feasible due to COVID. The Commission discussed promoting a list of things that residents could do around their home and neighborhoods.
6. Old Business
 - a. Anti-Litter Initiative: The Commission discussed the anti-litter initiative that was created in 2020 pre-Covid. Some of the items were suggested as still feasible, like communicating code requirements to businesses, promoting "Adopt" programs, and working with schools.
 - b. Oops Program Update (Feet on the Street): This anti-contamination recycling program, where residential carts will be inspected for contamination, is still scheduled to begin in late May, or possibly early June.
7. Council Liaison Update
 - 2nd Quarter fiscal update, comparing this year from last year the City is about the same, 1.2 million from CARES Act kept the city in good shape. It is unknown what the next stimulus funding will provide.
 - In the process of closing on the remaining properties at Olive/170
 - May timeframe for opening of Centennial Commons.
 - It is unknown at this time when City Hall will open.
8. Closing Round
9. Adjournment at 6:45pm