



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes SUSTAINABLE MADISON COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Monday, December 22, 2025

4:30 PM

Virtual Meeting.

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The City of Madison is holding the Sustainable Madison Committee meeting virtually to help protect our community from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

1. **Written Comments:** You can send comments on agenda items to Gregg May, [gmay@cityofmadison.com](mailto:gmay@cityofmadison.com)

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Webinar ID: <<882 8006 8395>>

### Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 4:31pm

**Present:** 11 - Sean O'Brien; Badri Lankella; Davy Mayer; Heather M. Driscoll; Kimberly Cho; Kai L. Brito; Natalie L. Lesnjak; E. Cristina Carvajal; Samuel J. Dunaiski; Vibha B. Srinivasan and Wyeth Augustine-Marceil

**Excused:** 2 - Samantha M. Worden and Erinn Monroe-Nye

### Approval of Minutes

Meeting minutes from the 11/24/25 meeting were approved by unanimous consent. Motion by Alder Lankella, seconded by Alder O'Brien.

### Public Comment

1. [89901](#) Public Comment

No public comments.

### Disclosures and Recusals

Sam Dunaiski works for Alliant Energy, which has proposed data centers within their territory.

### New Business

2. [91102](#) Requiring LEED Gold Certification for New Building Projects and LEED Silver Certification for Renovations

**Attachments:** [2025\\_12\\_22\\_LEED\\_Resolution\\_to\\_SMC.pdf](#)  
[Legistar 91102\\_V1.pdf](#)

The recommendations are to explore adding language, in partnership with sustainability staff and the Attorney's Office around requiring the most up-to-date LEED certification. The motion passes by majority vote.

**The motion to Recommend to Council with the Following Recommendations was made by Alder Lankella, seconded by Alder O'Brien. The recommendation is to explore adding language, in partnership with sustainability staff and the Attorney's Office, around requiring the most up-to-date LEED certification. The motion passes by majority vote.**

### Discussion Items

3. [89902](#) Updates from Sustainability Champions on their Efforts to Implement the Sustainability Plan

**Attachments:** [2025\\_09\\_15\\_CDD\\_Sustainability\\_Champions\\_Presentation.pdf](#)  
[2025\\_10\\_20\\_Parks\\_Division\\_SMC\\_Presentation.pdf](#)  
[2025\\_11\\_24\\_Madison\\_Metro\\_Sustainability\\_Champions\\_Presentation.pdf](#)  
[2025\\_12\\_22\\_Emergency\\_Managment\\_SMC\\_presentation.pdf](#)

Jennifer Behnke (City of Madison, Emergency Management) gave a presentation on planning for resilience hubs.

4. [91258](#) Presentation from Clean Wisconsin on Data Centers in Wisconsin

**Presentation from Liam Pembroke (Post-Graduate Legal Fellow at Clean Wisconsin) on data centers in Wisconsin.**

5. [91259](#) End of Year Sustainability Team Programmatic Update

**Attachments:** [2025\\_12\\_22\\_Staff\\_Presentations\\_Final.pdf](#)

**Presentation on the sustainability office programs from Gregg May (Sustainability Program Coordinator, City of Madison).**

### Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn by Alder Lankella, seconded by Alder O'Brien. Meeting adjourned at 6:18pm**