



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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Monday, July 16, 2018

4:30 PM

Meets the 3rd Monday of the month.  
Room 108 (City-County Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Delmore at 4:32 pm, following verification that a quorum was present and the meeting had been properly noticed.

**Present:** 5 - Patricia A. Lasky; Patrick E. Delmore; Timothy D. Baker; Elizabeth A. Bookland and Patricia J. Gadow

**Absent:** 2 - Zach Wood and Tyler D. Leeper

**Excused:** 1 - Sara Z. Walling

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Lasky, seconded by Gadow, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

none

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

none

### NEW BUSINESS

#### [52104](#)

Update on Ash Tree Removals and Treatment

**Attachments:** [EABRemovalZones\\_AlderDistrict 2018.pdf](#)  
[Alder Districts withTreatment.pdf](#)

Marla Eddy of City Forestry presented on the current status of the ash tree treatment and removal program. Treatment program has thus far been successful at blocking infestation from spreading to treated trees. Information regarding the chemical used for treatment and its degradation in sunlight in the leaves was also discussed. Forestry provides an annual update to the Common Council.

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Overview of City Recycling Program and Current Practices

Bryan Johnson of the City Streets department provided a presentation on the current recycling procedures used at the Pelletori sorting facility and background information regarding global recycling markets. Recycling facilities are reporting higher rates of contamination in recycled waste, including food waste as well as bottle caps and other small items that sneak through due to gravity sorting methods used to separate materials. An educational youtube video of the Pelletori sorting facility where City of Madison recyclables are sent was viewed by the committee.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyzPvM\\_4sJ4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyzPvM_4sJ4)

**REPORTS**

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Report of Chair

Delmore mentioned potential future topics including: plastic straws, County manure digester program, LEDs, and water softener/salt use.

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Report from Board of Public Works

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Report from Water Utility Board

Delmore touched the WU's financial deficit and the impact to future construction projects.

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Report from Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Baker state he is not longer able to attend SW meetings and requested if any other members were interested in being the COE representative. Beth Bookland stated she would be willing to serve.

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Report from Board of Health for Madison and Dane County

none

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Staff Report

Eberhardt gave an update on filling the member vacancy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Lasky, seconded by Gadow, to Adjourn at 6:04pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.