

**CITY OF DUNWOODY**  
**May 12, 2011**  
**SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

The Sustainability Commission of the City of Dunwoody held a Sustainability Commission Meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2011. The Meeting was held in the City of Dunwoody City Hall, 41 Perimeter Center East, Dunwoody, Georgia 30346.

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Stacey Harris called the meeting to order.

**B. ROLL CALL:**

All were present except Gerald Pollack, Yvonne Williams, and Danny Kanso.

**C. MINUTES:**

1. David Southerland moved to approve the March 10, 2011 Minutes; Su Ellis seconded. The motion carried 11-0.
2. David Southerland moved to approve the April 14, 2011 Minutes; Su Ellis seconded. The motion carried 11-0.

**D. ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL ITEMS:**

1. Staff notified the Commission that the next meeting would be rescheduled for June 16, 2011.

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Staff notified the Commission of the ARC Green Communities Silver Application submittal.
2. Georgia Perimeter College's Electronic Recycling Event was small but successful. Increased publicity will build attendance for future events.
- 3-6. Danny Kanso is heading up plans for organic gardens in all Dunwoody public schools. The plan includes composting cafeteria food, recyclable trays, rain barrels, collecting solar energy, participation by AP classes, Special Education students, clubs and parent volunteers. This will be funded through grants. Danny hopes to initiate a student committee to become involved with the Commission.

7. Walk or Ride to your Village is May 21 in conjunction with Chamber of Commerce. Merchants are offering discounts to those who walk or ride bikes. Perimeter Center's Bike and Walk Week is May 16-20. Next year we can coordinate these events.
8. Stacey discussed the Sustainability School Summit to be held the first or second week of school.

#### **F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. The commission clarified that the mission is to offer information and recommendations to Mayor and council. The commission does not have the power to mandate changes.

Joe Seconder suggested a sustainability checklist for significant planning and zoning issues. Michael Tuller asked the commission for suggestions on the evolving Master and Comprehensive Plans.

2. Joe Seconder requested that Howard Koontz compare and contrast Dunwoody's tree ordinance with other cities' and report back to the commission.
3. Brent Walker, Park and Recreation Department, reported on plans for Brook Run Park. During Public Comment, Paul Lowry made a case for retaining green space instead of building ball fields at Brook Run. Beverly Armento, president of Lake View Oaks Homeowners' Association expressed concerns about water runoff and environmental degradation if the proposed ball fields are built in Brook Run.

#### **G. OTHER BUSINESS:**

None.

#### **H. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **I. COMMISSION COMMENT:**

First annual Bike Rodeo is May 14, thanks to Joe Seconder. REI and Dunwoody Police are partners.

#### **J. ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned.

Approved by:

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Chairman

Attest:

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Secretary

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