Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee (CCEAC)
Meeting Agenda January 23, 2025
City Hall Room 102 -103 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Reduce waste Restore Our Green Space
Reuse what we can Recycle Properly

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Ward I, Ward II, Ward III, Ward IV, City Liaison and guests
CCEAC Ward vacancies. Ward I has 3 vacancies, Ward II has 2 vacancies.
Expiring term within six months - 2 members

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING RESULTS

a. Minutes from December's 19th meeting.

IV. UPDATE ON EVENTS AND DEADLINES

**** For each "Action Item" we will assign a lead person to follow up.**

a. Meetings 2025 - November 20, 2025 is the good date. Any interest in moving the December meeting from the 18th to the 11th?
b. Mayor's Monarch pledge review and vote.
c. Invasive Bush Honeysuckle (IBH) removal - April 5, 2025
- Reached out to Terry Grogan 1/10/2025; have not heard back yet;
- date to remove the roots of the honeysuckle plants that were cut and treated last fall - TBD

d. Recruitment Ideas - Invite members of garden club. Other ideas?
e. CCEAC submission for Chesterfield Citizen Newsletter.
f. Demonstration Garden - Discuss and vote -

Per Kari's direction if we want a Demonstration Garden we will have to modify the Eagle Scout native pollinator garden in front of the Parks Building.

If we decide to take this on:
Garden will be designated a "Demonstration Garden", which means

- showcase native plants and educate on the benefits of the plants in every season
- Begin with a specific garden layout plan
- Label each plant with its scientific name and the common name
- Highlight the benefits of the plants - in each season
- Scheduled regular maintenance for about 2 years until plants are established
  (Water source close?) CCEAC will maintain.
- Scheduled seasonal maintenance afterwards so that the public sees people working in the garden. This not only keeps it looking nice but shows the garden is intentional and is not just a forgotten area.

g. Updated roster - Per Gary Budoor termination of Madhu Bhagavatula (Ward IV) is being initiated 1/10/25.

h. Review CCEAC Brochures - Clean up - Because of the need to update/maintain brochures listed under CCEAC on the city website, I recommend we only keep and maintain the ones listed below. All brochures need to be updated annually.

QR code needs to be prominent on each brochure.

- Buy Recycled and Close the Loop revised 4/2024
- Chesterfield What and Where - revised 2024
- End of the Year Accomplishments - Text sent to Su for 2024 and she will add pictures; review
- CCEAC Brochure - revised 2025, committee review - should be 1st brochure listed under CCEAC
- Earth Hour 2024 - keep if this is an annual event, but it should be posted on City's Web page during Month of March and not buried in CCEAC

i. Plan for Earth Day, April 26, 2025. 8:00 am - 11:30 am Ideas?? Would you

like to do anything different? Who orders the trees? Who orders the seeds?

Jost Greenhouses will donate native plugs - Thanks Darcy

Notes from last year's event:

- 4/27/2024 8am - 11:30 Earth Day Celebration

General thoughts were that the event was a success and committee members were happy about what we accomplished.

Ideas to consider for next year.

1. Compost distribution needs to be a standard size and a limit needs to be enforced
2. Would be nice to have more compost next year.
3. City plans to ask Fick Supply Services, Inc. to donate mulch and to handle standard size distribution of it.
4. Committee would like to know names of the plants and planting instructions prior to event so that we could make signage and organize the plants to make handing them out more efficient.
5. Need to have and post limit # of plants per person/group.
6. Next year Red Key will handle the recycling again.
7. The entire parking lot will be available for our event.

j. Should we celebrate Arbor Day? Ideas?

k. Follow up on City Tree Manual

l. Follow up on single use plastic bottles at City Hall.

m. Maura native perennials landscaping bed

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER' PRIORITIES/IDEAS FOR FUTURE PROJECTS

- ALL INPUT ENCOURAGED

VI. COMMITTEE RECAPS/FOLLOW UPS

VII. ANNOUNCEMNTS/COMMENTS (2 minutes per person)

a. Per Susan Piazza 1/8/2025 "… no recycle loads from Chesterfield were contaminated enough to warrant landfilling."

VIII. ADJOURMENT

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING; Thursday, February 27, 2025 City Hall 6:00 – 7:30 Room 102-103

PERSONS REQUIRING AN ACCOMMODATION TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING SHOULD CALL (636) 812-9500 AT LEAST TWO WEEKDAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

UPCOMING SCHEDULED CCEAC ACTION ITEM DATES 2025
Note: Wear your light green CCEAC t-shirt & name tag to community events.
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January - March 31, 2025 (Mon) – 3/31/25 Deadline for Sixth Mayor's Monarch Pledge,
Open Pledge Period runs from December 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025
March 3 (Mon) – NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm; Lead: Hari Dwivedi. Back up: Rob Kilo
April 5 (Sat) – Invasive Bush Honeysuckle (IBH) removal, vines removal, and trash pick-up, CCEAC volunteers Terry Grogan & the New Horizons Boy Scout District, resident volunteers.
April 7 (Mon) – CCEAC deadline for Chesterfield Citizen article
April 26 (Sat) – City Earth Day Event, Central Park parking lot, 8-11:30am.
June 9 (Mon) – NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm; Lead: Hari Dwivedi. Back up: Rob Kilo
August 4 (Mon) – NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm; Lead: Hari Dwivedi. Back up: Rob Kilo
November 3 (Mon) – NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm; Lead: Hari Dwivedi. Back up: Rob Kilo
Mid-December - NWF Fiscal Year Report to Recertify Community Wildlife Habitat (Kari)

For Your Information: Other Important Dates

February 20 (Thurs) – City Bikeable Walkable Public Open House, City Hall, 4-7pm.
April – Native Plant Month
April 8 (Tues) – Chesterfield Municipal Election (Mayor & City Council)
April 22 (Tues) – Earth Day
April 25 (Fri) – Arbor Day
June – National Pollinator Month
June 26 (Thurs) – Maura sculpture Central Park parking lot. At 10am, Summer solstice direct sunlight on Maura creates a shadow that mirrors the sculpture's base.

November 11 (Tues) – Veterans Day
November 12 (Wed) – City Veterans Day Event, Veterans Honor Park, 3-5pm.