



Environmental Advisory Committee
4:00pm, Thursday, September 10, 2026
City Hall
Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

Public Comment:

All citizens who wish to speak during the meeting must email their first and last name, address, and topic to Nicole DeNeane at nicoled@isleofpalms.gov no later than **3:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting**. Citizens may also provide public comment here: <https://www.isleofpalms.gov/public-comment-form>

Agenda

1. **Call to Order** and acknowledgement that the press and public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.
2. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes – August 13, 2026**
3. **Citizen's Comments**
4. **Presentation – Resilience Training with South Carolina Office of Resilience**
5. **Old Business – none**
6. **New Business – none**
7. **Miscellaneous**

Next meeting: Thursday, October 8, 2026, 4:00pm

8. **Adjournment**



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and broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Present: Laura Lovins, Sean Popson, Cindy Marrs, Todd Murphy, Britton Foy, Charlotte Webster

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Council Member Miars

Absent: Susan Smith, Eric Cicora, Deputy Administrator Kuester

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes

MOTION: Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2026 meeting, and Mr. Foy seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

3. Citizen's Comments -- none

4. Presentation – none

5. Old Business

A. Discussion of revision to Palm Path Brochure and next steps

Committee members suggested word changes and discussed their preferences for the graphics included in the brochure. Mr. Murphy said he is waiting for additional feedback from Mr. Hugh Swingle of the Family Vacation Rental Group. Mr. Swingle suggested the brochures be laminated so they can be included in informational brochures left in each rental unit.

Administrator Kerr would like to know how many brochures are needed to estimate costs, therefore determining how the brochures will be funded. He will also share the most recent draft with the Public Safety Committee. Both Chief Cornett and Chief Oliverius have reviewed the brochure for accuracy.

Another draft will be discussed at the October meeting.

B. Discussion of tree bank program and next steps

Committee members reviewed the changes to the tree bank program. Suggested revisions to the program's parameters included decreasing the number of preferred species, adjustments to the spending caps, striking the reference to an HOA, and removal of the tiers from the matrix.

An amended version of the program will be reviewed in October.

C. Discussion of draft ordinance related to Section 6-1-32 to keep property clean ordinance-specific to dumpsters

Committee members expressed their support for the ordinance.

MOTION: Mr. Murphy made a motion to recommend the draft ordinance related to Section 6-1-32 to City Council for consideration. Ms. Popson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lovins will prepare a recommendation for City Council's August 25 meeting.

6. New Business

A. Discussion of College of Charleston intern possibility for EAC project work

Ms. Lovins explained the possibility of the City hiring an intern from the College of Charleston to conduct work pertinent to Committee concerns. Three such options included in the meeting packet were discussed.

Ms. Lovins expressed her strong preference for the project focusing on septic tanks. She will read and share the thesis statement related to the project. The Committee will discuss the matter further at their October meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Murphy made a motion to move items 6.B. and 6.C. to the October agenda. Mr. Foy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Discussion of EAC Table at IOP Rec Center Lunch and Learn on Composting

Ms. Lovins said she would work with PIO Uys on this topic as the event is in September.

C. Protocol for publication of articles on public sites

To be discussed at the October meeting.

D. Next month's agenda – Resilience Training 101 with Catherine Minn, SCOR

Administrator Kerr reported that Ms. Minn will not be conducting the training next month. City Council will be notified and invited to the training.

7. **Miscellaneous**

The next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 4pm.

8. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk