

SCOTTSDALE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA



SCOTTSDALE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Alisa McMahon, Chair
Ute Brady, Commissioner
Alexandra Craig, Commissioner

Tara Iyengar, Commissioner
Siobhan Ulreich-Power, Commissioner
Judah Waxelbaum, Commissioner

Wednesday, September 16, 2026

5:30 P.M.

SCOTTSDALE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale, Arizona.

The public will have access to the meeting place 30 minutes prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

Roll Call

One or more members of the Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission may be attending the meeting by telephone, video, or internet conferencing, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431(4).

Public Comment – Non-Agendized Items

Citizens may address the members of the Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission during Public Comment. However, Arizona State law prohibits the Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda. Public Comment time is reserved for Scottsdale citizens, business owners and property owners to comment on non-agendized items that are within the Commission's jurisdiction. Speakers may submit a blue "Request to Speak" card in person prior to the beginning of the meeting. Public testimony is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker and a total of 15 minutes.

Written comments are also being accepted for non-agendized items and may be submitted in-person at the hearing or electronically by [clicking here](#). Written comments submitted electronically will be emailed to the Commission Members.

1. Administrative Report – Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison

Note: The Commission may make comments or ask questions of the Commission Liaison; however, no Commission action will be taken.

Minutes

2. Approval of May 20, 2026, Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission [Regular Meeting Minutes](#).
Commission Action: Discussion and action (roll call vote).

REGULAR AGENDA

3. **[2026 Sustainable Scottsdale Awards City Council Presentation — Presenter Coordination](#)**

The Commission will discuss and identify the primary presenter and alternate presenter(s) for the 2026 Sustainable Scottsdale Awards presentation scheduled for the September 22, 2026, City Council meeting.

Presenter: Commissioner Craig

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation, possible discussion and action

4. **[Possible Continuation of Sustainable Scottsdale Awards Program for 2027](#)**

Discussion regarding whether to conduct a 2027 award cycle, including whether the Commission can expect support from the Office of Communications. Discussion may also include possible changes to the program and a 2027 award cycle timeline. Action may be taken regarding the disposition of the 2027 award cycle, changes to the program, and a 2027 award cycle timeline.

Presenter: Commissioner Craig and Chair McMahon

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation, possible discussion and action

5. **[Vice Chair Vacancy and Election of Vice Chair](#)**

The Commission will consider nominations and may take action to elect a Vice Chair to serve for the remainder of the current officer term.

Presenter: Chair McMahon

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation, possible discussion and action

NON-ACTION AGENDA

How the Non-Action Agenda Works: The Commission will receive a presentation and may have a discussion on each item but no action will be taken by the Commission. The Non-Action Agenda provides an opportunity for staff to receive input from the Commission and for the public to observe these discussions.

6. **[Plastic Waste & Health: Soft Plastics Recycling Program](#)**

Commissioner Iyengar will introduce J.D. Hill, proprietor of a local food-scrap-to-farmland company, who will provide an informational presentation on the addition of soft plastics recycling to the company's services. The presentation will address available program metrics, service to Scottsdale residents, participation and implementation considerations, and opportunities for broader community awareness.

Following the presentation, Commissioner Iyengar will facilitate a discussion on the topic, including questions from the Commission and identification of potential areas for future consideration.

Presenter: Commissioner Iyengar & Mr. J.D. Hill

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation and possible discussion

7. **Water Conservation Strategies**

The Commission will discuss water conservation strategies including a) separate metering and submetering, b) flow sensors and other irrigation strategies, c) strategies specific to medical and laboratory facilities and equipment, d) strategies for ornamental water features, e) strategies for pools and spas, f) hot water recirculation pumps, and g) elimination of non-functional turf.

Presenter: Chair McMahon

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation and possible discussion

8. **Large-Volume Water Users**

Presentation and discussion regarding how Arizona municipal water providers are regulating large-volume water users.

Presenter: Chair McMahon

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Commission Action: Presentation and possible discussion

9. **Identification of Future Agenda Items**

The Scottsdale Environmental Advisory Commission may suggest items they wish to be placed on a future agenda. Consideration of such items includes: 1) request that the Commission Liaison agendaize the item for a future meeting; 2) request that the Commission Liaison investigate the matter and prepare a written response to the Commission; or 3) take no further action. Per Arizona State law, the Commission may not discuss, deliberate, or take legal action on any matter in the "Identification of Future Agenda Items" unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

Staff Contact: Adam Yaron, Commission Liaison, ayaron@scottsdaleaz.gov, 480-312-2761

Adjournment



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