



Sustainable Arlington

An Environment Committee of Envision Arlington

Agenda

Date: Thursday, July 8, 2021

Time: 7:30 – 8:00pm

Location: Virtual Meeting by Zoom

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At the start of the meeting, we will:

1. Confirm first and last name of everyone on the call for the minutes and make sure that everyone can hear each other
2. Read Preamble to Remote Meetings
3. Introduce all members, staff, and persons on the agenda

4. Review “ground rules” for online meetings
5. Meeting materials will be available online through Novus or Town website for the public

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1. Introductions
2. Approve June 23 minutes. read here: [Link](#)
3. Vote to provide up to \$200 in funding toward an additional student intern for the Remembrance of Climate Futures Arlington Public Art Project. [Link](#) Request from Cecily Miller, curator Art and Community Engagement, Arlington Commission for Arts and Culture:
 - a. “I’m writing to follow up on my request presented at your meeting last week for donations to support intern stipends for Arlington High School students participating in a special summer project. As you heard, the Arts Commission received a grant to organize a public art project with Northeastern Professor Tom Starr to raise awareness about the impact of climate change and highlight some possible strategies to increase resiliency. The project will create a series of "historic" markers -- only these markers commemorate events in our future -- planting of trees to lessen urban heat, preservation of wetlands to help with storm management, creation of local food gardens to help with food shortages. Marker content will be developed in consultation with Arlington's environmental groups, including of course Sustainable Arlington and markers will be installed in public space for a year, possibly longer.
 - b. Our grant funded 8 positions; we received 18 applications from impressive candidates. We are asking for your support to expand the number of intern positions from 8 to 10 or even 12 so that we can serve and engage more of these exceptional young people. Tax-deductible donations would go directly and 100% to youth stipends of \$800 for 8 weeks. Tom Starr is working with other towns and Mass Audubon and Trustees of Reservation to develop markers for other locations. Arlington's version of :“Remembrance of Climate Futures” is the only youth-led version.
 - c. This is time sensitive; we start hiring the interns next week. We are appealing to individuals and grass-roots organizations who are concerned about climate change to chip in so we can involve – and support leadership – in more youth who are passionate about environmental issues and contributing to their community!”
4. Vote to endorse “the People’s House” campaign for more transparency in the State Legislature rules organists by act on mass and a coalition of groups. [Link](#)
5. Adjourn

Next meeting: Thursday, July 21, 2021, 7:30-9 pm

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