

AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

February 18, 2026

Hybrid Meeting In-person and via Teams



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**CITY OF ELLENSBURG
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA
Council Conference Room
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926**

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**Wednesday, February 18, 2026
5:15 PM - Regular Meeting**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

1.A Nancy Lillquist
Jordan Spradlin
Christina Wollman
Brenda DeVore
Kamran Hermann
Raven Harlin
___ *OPEN* ___ : *EHS Env. Club President (Ex-officio Member)*

2. Approval of Agenda (No Public Comment)

2.A Approval of the Proposed Agenda for February 18, 2026

3. Approval of Minutes

3.A Approval of the Meeting Minutes from January 21, 2026

4. New Business

5. Unfinished Business

5.A Climate & Environment Planning Task Force
Meeting #1: Tomorrow, Feb. 19 (3-5 pm) Com. Dev. Conference Room

5.B 2026 Community Recycling Event Update

5.C Bike Month Subcommittee Update

6. Citizen Comment

7. Staff Update/Discussion Items

7.A Tree City USA Application accepted by the Arbor Day Foundation, marking 43 years as a designated Tree City USA!

7.B City also received 3rd consecutive Growth Award for going above and beyond the minimum Tree City requirements!

8. Adjournment



For more information on the Environmental Commission, contact Rebecca Springer, Public Works Water Resources Manager, at 509-925-8653



CITY OF ELLENSBURG
Date of Meeting
Time of Meeting
Place of Meeting

Minutes of Environmental Commission, Regular Meeting
January 21, 2026
5:15 PM
Council Conference Room
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

- 1.A **Nancy Lillquist:** City Council Member
Jordan Spradlin: CWU-Appointed Member
Christina Wollman: Chairperson
Brenda DeVore: Member at Large
Kamran Hermann: Member at Large
Raven Harlin: Member at Large
 OPEN : *EHS Env. Club President (Ex-officio Member)*

Present: Nancy Lillquist, Christina Wollman, Brenda DeVore, Raven Harlin

Absent: Jordan Spradlin, Kamran Hermann

Others Present: Rebecca Springer - Water Resources Manager, Stacey Henderson - Planning Manager, Erin McGowan - Water|Storm Program Coordinator

2. Approval of Agenda

- 2.A Approval of the Proposed Agenda for January 21, 2026

Commissioner DeVore moved to approve the agenda. Motioned passed 4-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

- 3.A Approval of the Meeting Minutes from December 17, 2025

Commissioner Lillquist moved to approve the December 17, 2025 meeting minutes. Motioned passed 4-0.

4. New Business

4.A Official Welcome to Jordan Spradlin!

Jordan Spradlin's nomination to the Environmental Commission was approved by City Council.

4.B Climate & Environmental Planning Task Force - Subcommittee Creation

Stacey Henderson invited two members of the Environmental Commission (EC) to participate in the Climate & Environmental Planning Task Force. The Task Force will support the Comprehensive Plan update by assisting with development of a new Climate Resilience chapter and updates to the Environmental chapter.

The consultant recommended an extensive work plan to support policy development, determine whether the Climate Resilience and Environmental chapters should be combined or standalone, and review draft and final chapter materials. EC representatives serving on the Task Force will provide updates at regular EC meetings for discussion and direction as needed. The tentative schedule is expected to be finalized next week.

Commissioner Lillquist moved to nominate Commissioner Wollman to serve as an EC delegate to the Climate & Environmental Task Force and to circulate an email to recruit an additional EC representative.

Motion passed 4-0.

5. Unfinished Business

5.A Verification of Bike Month Subcommittee (3 members)

Commissioner Lillquist moved to appoint Commissioners Lillquist, DeVore, and Spradlin to the Bike Month Subcommittee.

Motion passed 4-0.

5.B 2026 Community Recycling Event

The Commission discussed planning and logistics for the 2026 Community Recycling Event, including revisions to the event flyer, use of a QR code for updated information, and potential materials and activities to be included. Volunteer participation and coordination with partner organizations were also discussed.

6. Citizen Comment

None.

7. Staff Update/Discussion Items

7.A Ecology WQ Stormwater Capacity Grant Acceptance

Rebecca Springer provided an update on the Ecology Water Quality Stormwater Capacity Grant. City Council approved execution of the grant agreement, which provides \$120,000 in funding to support development of the Stormwater Companion Document.

7.B Companion Storm Document Update

Rebecca Springer provided an update on the Companion Stormwater Document currently in development. Once completed, it will be adopted into City standards and will include a flow chart outlining stormwater requirements to clarify standards and expedite review timelines.

7.C Gateway II 90% Design Grant closeout

Rebecca Springer provided an update on the Gateway II 90% design grant closeout, which is expected to be completed by the end of the month. She noted that construction grant funding will be available this spring, with construction anticipated in 2028.

7.D Winter Lecture Series

Commissioner Lillquist shared that Mid-Columbia Fisheries has put out a 2026 Winter Speakers' Series. On February 18th, they will be providing an update on the Lower Kittitas Valley Floodplain Restoration. Cowiche Canyon Conservancy will also be holding Winter Talks that you can attend in person at Yakima Valley College or view via livestream.

8. Adjournment

Commissioner Wollman adjourned the meeting at 6:20 PM.

Deadline (Date/Time)	Activity	Responsible Party	Status	Comments
Dec-25	Check Community Calendar	Rebecca	Complete	May 2nd - Saturday - Clear for both calendars.
Dec-25	Identify / Reserve Location	Rebecca	Complete	Approved use of City Hall Parking Lot (no metal dumpsters)
Jan-26	Finalize Event Date	EC - All	Complete	May 2nd. (Could announce on Earth day if done on 5/2).
Feb-26	Announce Event in 1st WM Bill of 2026	Rebecca / Mackenzi	Complete	Date (5/2) finalized. QR Code sent to WM. WM will announce in bills.
Feb-26	Finalize List of Accepted Items	Rebecca & EC	Final list complete; needs EC approval	Single-stream recyclables (plastic bottles/jugs, cardboard, paper, tin and aluminum cans); Bicycles & tubes; Documents for Shred-It; Batteries (small); Professional Clothing.
Feb-26	Finalize List of Booths	Rebecca & EC	Final list complete; needs EC approval	WM (Curbside Recycling); Shred-It; Bike Booth; KC Solid Waste (Beyond the Curb, Batteries); Composting and WORMS!; Professional Clothing; Lid Removal/Collection & Can Crushing; E-Cycle WA Info; Med Disposal Info; Ellensburg Glass Recycling.
Feb-26	Discuss on Pending Items	Rebecca & EC		Repair café, toner collection, WM stickers for bins (request to WM, answer pending)
Feb-26	Coordinate Truck for Bike Transport	Nancy / Karl / Raven	Complete	
Mar-26	Finalize Recycle Station & Booth Logistics	Rebecca & EC		
Mar-26	Coordinate Tables & Booths	Rebecca / PW		
Mar-26	Website, Social Media Event Announcements	Nicole		
Friday Before Event	Sandwich Board(s) for signs?	Rebecca / PW		
Friday Before Event	Cone off City Hall Parking Lot	Rebecca / PW		
Day Of	Collect Volunteer Signatures & Waivers	Nicole		
Day Of	Day-of Booth Setup	All		
Day Of	Day-of Truck for Bike Transport	Karl/Nancy/Raven		
Post-Event Day of	Post-Event Booth Breakdown	All		
Post-Event Day of	PolyCart Pickup	WM		