

**ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY BOARD
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

On Monday, March 21, 2022, the Environmental Policy Board (EPB) met in the Council Chambers at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive N.W., Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Chairperson Laura Moore
 Board Member Reid Bernard
 Board Member Melissa Fetterley
 Board Member Michael Hiatt
 Board Member Jared Little

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Senior Planner Chris Anderson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Moore called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Board Member Hiatt and seconded by Board Member Little to approve the agenda as submitted.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Moore, Board Member Hiatt, Little, Bernard, and Fetterley. Voting No: None. Absent: Board Member Valentine.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

4.01: Approve Meeting Minutes Dated February 28, 2022

Motion by Board Member Fetterley and seconded by Board Member Little to approve the regular meeting minutes dated February 28, 2022.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Moore, Board Member Fetterley, Little, Bernard, and Hiatt. Voting No: None. Absent: Board Member Valentine.

5. POLICY BOARD BUSINESS

5.01: Consider Natural Resources Related Elements for Rivenwick Village 4th Addition

Senior Planner Anderson presented the staff report. He stated that the City has received an application from LGI Homes – Minnesota LLC for a Preliminary Plat for Rivenwick Village 4th Addition, located north of Riverdale Drive and west of Jasper Street NW. The purpose of the case is to review the natural resources related aspects of the project.

Board Member Little commented that he likes the choice of trees.

Board Member Fetterley commented that this appears to be well thought out and laid out.

Board Member Hiatt asked if this is a different company than that which developed the other phases.

Senior Planner Anderson confirmed that this would be a different developer, but one member of the team does have prior knowledge of the 3rd addition.

Motion by Board Member Hiatt and seconded by Board Member Little to recommend approval of the Landscape Plan, contingent upon compliance with staff comments.

Further discussion: Senior Planner Anderson welcomed any input the applicant may want to provide. Jay Roos, LGI Homes, stated that he did not have any additional comments and was present to address any questions the Board may have.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Moore, Board Member Hiatt, Little, Bernard, and Fetterley. Voting No: None. Absent: Board Member Valentine.

Senior Planner Anderson stated that the Planning Commission will also review this item at its meeting on Thursday, March 24th.

6. BOARD / STAFF INPUT

- **Earth Day Event Flyer**

Senior Planner Anderson stated that the Parks Department has developed an Earth Day event(s) and provided details. He also noted the upcoming spring recycling event and highlighted the different marketing being done for that event.

Chairperson Moore commented that the City makes it very easy to participate in the park cleanup events. She commented that her family will be participating in the event. She recognized that this is typically the time of year when potential Board and Commission members are interviewed and asked for an update on that process.

Senior Planner Anderson commented that a new member has been appointed to the Board by the City Council and believed that he would be joining the group in April.

Chairperson Moore asked if the City was able to coordinate with any elementary schools for Arbor Day events.

Senior Planner Anderson commented that with staffing levels in his division he has not had time to attempt to organize something. He stated that he could attempt to make connections with schools the City has partnered with in the past as well as Brookside.

Board Member Hiatt asked if the PACT Charter School proposal will come back to the Board in the future, given the decision of the City Council.

Senior Planner Anderson confirmed that the project will come back before the Board in its normal review process. He explained that the EPB typically does not review potential projects at that stage but was included because of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment that would be necessary to support the project. He commented that the next step would be preliminary plat and site plan and would include the more detailed plans the Board is used to reviewing.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Board Member Little and seconded by Board Member Fetterley to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Anderson
Senior Planner

ATTEST:

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