

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the
Nichols Hills Environment, Health & Sustainability Commission
Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 9:30 AM
City Hall, 6407 Avondale Drive
Nichols Hills, OK 73116

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes
 - a. April 22, 2026 Minutes
 - b. May 3, 2026 Minutes
4. Items for Separate Vote

Consideration of adoption, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment, and/or postponement of the following:

- a. Party In the Park - Celebrating Earth & Arbor Day.
 - b. Hazardous Household Waste and Recycling Event.
 - c. NRPA Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz program.
5. Announcements
 6. Adjournment

Amanda Copeland

City Clerk
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

MINUTES

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Nichols Hills Environment, Health & Sustainability Commission
Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 9:30 AM
City Hall, 6407 Avondale Drive
Nichols Hills, OK 73116

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Attendees Present	Arrived
Commissioner Charis Ward	9:30
Chairman Caroline Patton	9:30
Commissioner Debbie McKinney	9:30
Commissioner Ronnye Farmer	9:30

3. Minutes

- a. March 25, 2026 Minutes

MOTION: Debbie McKinney moved to approve the March 25, 2026 minutes as presented. Charis Ward seconded the motion.

RESULT: (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Debbie McKinney
SECONDER: Charis Ward
AYES: Charis Ward, Caroline Patton, Debbie McKinney, Ronnye Farmer

4. Items for Separate Vote

a. Party In the Park - Celebrating Earth & Arbor Day.

Chairman Caroline Patton reviewed the plans for the Party in the Park - Celebrating Earth & Arbor Day to be held on May 3, 2026, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the new Westminster Park with the Commissioners. Commissioners will be distributing fliers to area businesses for the upcoming event.

b. Red Ridge OKC.

Commissioner Charis Ward shared with the Environment, Health & Sustainability Commission an invitation she had received from Lance Swearingin, Deputy Director of the Red Ridge Nature Preserve, inviting the Commissioners and any City employees to tour the Red Ridge Nature Preserve in Oklahoma City. Commissioner Ward will schedule a time for the visit.

c. Lead pipe survey.

Assistant City Manager Amanda Copeland discussed with the Environment, Health and Sustainability Commission the lead pipe survey that will be going out to the residents. The survey will provide the City with an inventory of lead pipes located from the water meter to the house and in the homes at each residence in Nichols Hills. This information is required from the City by the EPA, Environmental Protection Agency, and the ODEQ, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality. The Commission will have a poster at the Party in the Park event with a QR code that will provide more information and a link to the survey. This information will be posted on social media and the website, also.

5. Announcements

6. Adjournment

MOTION: There being no further business, Ronnye Farmer moved to adjourn the meeting. Debbie McKinney seconded the motion.

RESULT: (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER: Ronnye Farmer
SECONDER: Debbie McKinney
AYES: Charis Ward, Caroline Patton, Debbie McKinney, Ronnye Farmer

Chairman
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

City Manager
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

City Clerk
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

MINUTES

Special Meeting of the
Nichols Hills Environment, Health & Sustainability Commission
Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 3:00 PM
Westminster Park
1842 Westminster Place
Nichols Hills, OK 73120

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Attendees Present	Arrived
Commissioner Charis Ward	3:00
Chairman Caroline Patton	3:00
Commissioner Allison Petersen	3:00
Commissioner Debbie McKinney	3:00
Commissioner Ronnye Farmer	3:00
Commissioner Carleen Burger	Absent

3. Items for Separate Vote

- a. No official city business will be discussed, or action taken other than to participate in The Party in the Park — Earth & Arbor Day Celebration.

No official City business was discussed, or action taken other than to participate in The Party in the Park - Earth & Arbor Day Celebration.

4. Adjournment

Chairman
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

City Manager
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

City Clerk
City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma

Amanda Copeland

From: Caroline Patton <pattoncaroline42@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, April 24, 2026 9:10 AM
To: Amanda Copeland
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: [MJV-Stakeholders] NRPA Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz - sign ups are open!

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For our next meeting agenda,

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From: Katie Hawk <khawk@okmonarchsociety.org>
Date: April 23, 2026 at 11:46:45 PM CDT
To: Oklahoma Ompc-partners <ompc-partners@okmonarchsociety.org>
Subject: Fwd: [MJV-Stakeholders] NRPA Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz - sign ups are open!

Hello OMPC Partners - See below for NRPA's Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz program. They even have a \$1,000 prize... check it out!

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From: Michele White <MWhite@nrpa.org>
Date: Thu, Apr 23, 2026 at 10:12 AM
Subject: [MJV-Stakeholders] NRPA Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz - sign ups are open!
To: 'Isis Howard' via MJV Stakeholders <mjv-stakeholders@googlegroups.com>

Hello Everyone,

I'm excited to announce the launch of our 8th annual Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz 🐝☀️

The BioBlitz is an annual event, held every September, where park agencies and likeminded organizations get their community outside to engage with pollinators. Community members snap photos of the plants and animals they see, and upload their observations to a platform called iNaturalist. When you sign up, your BioBlitz will be included in our [national campaign](#)! [Register your project here!](#)

If your agency/organization hosts a BioBlitz during the month of September, not only will you raise pollinator awareness and gain important data in your greenspaces, but your

agency/organization will be entered to win a \$1,000 prize and one of three prize packs to help with your pollinator habitats or programs! [Please visit our website for more information.](#)

Please reach out if you have any questions!

Best,



Michele White, CAE, IOM, CNP
(she/her/hers)

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