

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the
Nichols Hills Environment, Health and Sustainability Commission
Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 8:30 AM
City Hall, 6407 Avondale Drive
Nichols Hills, OK 73116

**Original agenda filed in the Office of the City Clerk at 11:13 AM
on the 22nd day of May 2023.**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Charis Ward		Present	
Nancy Herzel		Present	
Carleen Burger		Present	
Allison Petersen		Present	
Caroline Patton		Present	
Andrew Thomas		Absent	

3. Minutes
 - a. EHS Minutes - February 22, 2023
 - b. EHS Minutes - April 26, 2023

MOTION: Burger moved to approve the February 22, 2023 and April 26, 2023 minutes ad presented. Patton seconded the motion.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Carleen Burger
SECONDER:	Caroline Patton
AYES:	Ward, Herzel, Burger, Petersen, Patton
ABSENT:	Thomas

4. Consideration of adoption, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment, and/or postponement of the following:
 - a. Discussion regarding 2023 Recycling Event.

The commissioners discussed the upcoming household item, electronic and hazard waste disposal, and recycling event to be held September 23, 2023. Also discussed were updates to the flyer, QR code, signage on the tables, and traffic flow signs.

b. Discussion regarding rain barrels.

Chairman Nancy Herzel discussed researching a rain barrel program. Chairman Herzel reached out to Ms. Sara Ortega, Assistant Coordinator of the Rain Barrel and Compost Bin Distribution Event with the City of Edmond, Oklahoma, and discussed their rain barrel program. Chairman Herzel will schedule Ms. Ortega, a landscape company, and an architect to come and speak on the use of rain barrels for the August 24, 2023 meeting.

c. Discussion regarding tree planting.

The Commissioners discussed different ways to encourage residents to use the list of approved trees and plants in Ordinance 1223 of the City of Nichols Hills City Code.

d. Butterfly Garden update.

Chairman Nancy Herzel reported she had met with Ms. Julia Laughlin with the OSU Extension office on the Butterfly Garden. Ms. Laughlin stated the garden was off to a good start. They discussed the plants that need to be replanted to attract the butterflies. The Commission will be looking for a company that will be able to maintain a native plant garden.

e. Discussion regarding meeting date and time.

Chairman Nancy Herzel discussed with the Commissioners meeting times that would be better than the 8:30 time.

MOTION: Patton moved to change the meeting time to 9:30, once it has been substantiated with Commissioner Andrew Thomas, with the provision it will stay at 8:30 if that will not encourage Commissioner Thomas to attend. Ward seconded the motion.

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SECONDER:	Charis Ward
AYES:	Ward, Herzel, Burger, Petersen, Patton
ABSENT:	Thomas

5. Announcements

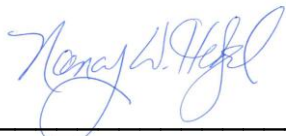
Chairman Nancy Herzel thanked the City staff for organizing the lovely event at the Love Family Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Commissioner Carleen Burger asked City staff to reminder residents to drain pools into the sanitary sewer system.

6. Adjournment

MOTION: There being no further business, Burger moved to adjourn the meeting. Patton seconded the motion.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
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SECONDER:	Caroline Patton
AYES:	Ward, Herzel, Burger, Petersen, Patton
ABSENT:	Thomas



Chairman
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