

Community Services Advisory Commission March 13, 2018 Minutes

Commission Members: Present: Mindy Carr, Ann Bohman

Marilyn Baker, Stephanie Hall,

Christine Gawronski, Vladmir Kapustin,

Thomas Strup

Staff Members Present: Michelle Crandall, Assistant City Manager

Nick Plouck, Management Assistant

Joanne Shelly, Urban Design/Landscape Architect

JM Rayburn, Planner I

Guests: Rachael Beeman, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Comm

David Celebrezze, City of Columbus

Chris Bongorno-Project Manager, Nelso Nygaard Girl Scout Troop 2081 – Anna Breen, Emily Carr, Elyse

Janikian, Ava Walton

I. Call to Order

Ms. Carr established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

None.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the January 10, 2018 CSAC meeting had been previously distributed via email for review. Ms. Carr asked if there were any comments on the meeting minutes. Ms. Carr had one comment on page three, Ms. Carr's comment that states "Rumpke only actually recycles glass bottles" should read "Rumpke only actually recycles plastic bottles" There being no other changes to the minutes, Ms. Gawronski moved to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Baker. All in favor, the minutes were approved.

IV. Girl Scout Troop Presentation

Ms. Carr introduced the Girl Scouts Troop 2081.

Anna Breen introduced herself and the three other members present, which were Ava Walton, Emily Carr and Elyse Janikian as members of Girl Scout Troop 2081 from Bailey Elementary. The troop discussed their project "Reducing Waste in the Bailey Elementary Lunchroom" (presentation attached). This project earned a Bronze Award which is the highest honor that a Girl Scout troop their age can earn. The goal of their project is to reduce the amount of waste produced during lunch at their school.

The troop did much research and went on numerous field trips including a field trip to the Ohio State University football stadium to see how OSU achieves zero waste during football games. They also went to a composting facility. They watched videos and did research about landfills and recycling. Throughout their research they observed the interactions at school to brainstorm on how to reduce waste. The troop conducted surveys at school to determine what students are packing and determine the student's knowledge about recycling. The troop shared the results of their survey with the commission. The troop provide information to the students on opportunities to reduce waste by using reusable containers instead of plastic bags and also using recyclable containers. They started monitoring the waste during lunch and encouraging the use of the recycling containers. Their school created a "share basket" that buyers can put food in that they do not plan to eat. The troop helped implement improvements such as liquid pour-off bins to pour drinks into a tub so the containers can be recycled and bins to collect fruit/vegetables. The troop shared the results of monitoring over the first week and the amount of reduction of waste. Once the changes have been in place for a few weeks the troop will do another survey to see if the results change and what the students have learned.

Mr. Kapustin asked if this is being implemented in other elementary schools and the middle schools. Troop members responded that the changes are only occurring at their school and they are not sure if it will be implemented at other schools. Ms. Carr commented that the principal is very supportive of this program at their school and he would like to share this with the other schools. The commission thanked the Girl Scout troop for presenting.

Ms. Crandall wanted to let the commission know that at the April meeting there will be two new commission members. Ms. Crandall also wanted to recognize Ms. Carr as this will be her last meeting. She has served on the City's boards and commissions for fifteen years and she has also been very active as a volunteer within the community. Ms. Crandall thanked Ms. Carr for her service over the years and the City appreciates all that Ms. Carr has done. Ms. Carr thanked Ms. Crandall and the City for allowing her to serve in many areas of the City, as she has really enjoyed it and will continue to volunteer.

V. Sustainability Presentations

Sustainable 2050

Rachael Beeman introduced herself as an associate planner in regards to all things environmentally related within the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). Ms. Beeman explained that MORCP is a regional planning organization representing 15 counties in the Central Ohio area and they are involved in transportation systems & funding, regional data & mapping, Energy & air quality, planning & environment and public & government affairs in this region.

Ms. Beeman said a few years ago MORPC commissioned a study called insight2050, looking at the population projections for Central Ohio and how that was going to impact some of the planning decisions that we were making. They looked at the future growth results and new population projections. Ms. Beeman commented that there were some key data points that they pulled from their study including the past growth by age and what the future growth by age will be, which will help determine how this impacts our land use decisions, development decisions and our environmental decision moving forward. Ms. Beeman discussed the marketing demands for the communities and how this will impact the eight sectors discussed. MORPC through their planning process worked with staff and sustainability advisory committee to develop the Regional Sustainability Agenda. The Regional

Sustainability Agenda ultimately interacts in forms that work with our Central Ohio Greenways Board, Energy and Air Quality Working Group and Water Resources Working Group and is the nexus of the Sustainable 2050 program.

Ms. Beeman further discussed the Sustainable 2050 and the purpose of identifying how we can assist our members in implementing the goals and objectives of the Regional Sustainability Agenda. Over the last eight months MORPC has worked with all of the Green Pact members to bring them on board and support this program. The City of Dublin has recommitted itself to the Sustainable2050 program as well as many others. Ms. Beeman talked about what Sustainable2050 means and the tier status of certification process. An additional piece is to have a benchmarking dashboard offered as a part of the Local Government Energy Partnership.

Columbus GreenSpot Program

David Celebrezze from the City of Columbus handed out information about GreenSpot. Mr. Celebrezze is from the City of Columbus, Department of Public Utilities and he is the GreenSpot coordinator. Mr. Celebrezze highlighted a few of the many programs within GreenSpot. He discussed "why go green" and why Dublin should go green. He also discussed how to encourage businesses and individuals to join.

Ms. Baker asked if there was a fee to join. Mr. Celebrezze replied that there is no fee.

Ms. Carr asked if schools could join. Mr. Celebrezze replied that schools are encouraged to join.

Ms. Crandall asked if there was any thought of making it Central Ohio GreenSpot. It might make it an easier sell to businesses and residents in the suburbs because then they can identify with the larger region, rather than thinking if they aren't within the City of Columbus it doesn't pertain to them. Mr. Celebrezze replied that it has been discussed and we are looking at how to best do that.

Mobility Study

Joanne Shelly from the City of Dublin's Land Use and Long Range Planning Division thanked the commission for inviting her back to discuss the second phase of the Mobility Study. She introduced Chris Bongorno from Nelso Nygaard who has been the lead project manager for this project. Ms. Shelly started out by discussing the stakeholders involved and the objectives developed.

Ms. Shelly said in the second phase staff worked on opportunity mapping looking into infrastructure, services and policy and within those what are the work plan opportunities. The work plan opportunities include circulators, bike share, wayfinding for special corridors and Complete Streets Policy.

Ms. Shelly said at the beginning of the year there was an opportunity to apply for a grant called the FTA (Federal Transportation Administration) Section 5310 which is for older adults and individuals with disabilities. This grant goes through MORPC. The City did not get the grant this year. It turns out the application we submitted did not fit in the framework for the way they were receiving the grant through ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) which is from the FTA. So what they have told us, is that they will rewrite their framework so that next we can apply for the grant and we will fit into a module that they can actually support with funding. The reason we didn't fit into the framework is

because we were asking for money managing of services instead of putting vehicles on the road and hiring a bus driver, we were asking to hire a service provider to do that for us.

Ms. Shelly said there are 13 communities in and around Dublin that are senior residential facilities. The proposal of our grant was to provide lifestyle and quality of life transportation. We want to provide services in areas that are underserved. What we proposed with approval from City Council is to work with five strategic partners that we have close coordination and start a pilot program with each of the communities and take them to a single destination such as the library, movies, etc. and see how that program runs for six months. Our goal is to have a circulation loop where not only those that live in the community facilities can participate, but elder and disabled residents can also have access to use these services on demand for aging in place.

Ms. Shelly talked about the circulator for the workforce. One of problems occurring is that some of the workforce that come into Dublin can get here by bus but they can only get to our perimeter then they have to walk the rest of the distance. This would allow a dependable and reliable source of transportation. We have been working with Economic Development to identify our large employers in Dublin. Ms. Shelly discussed another opportunity for shuttle services for special events, for lunch/dinner crowds to bring people back and forth to and from the office and back and forth to Bridge Street District destinations. They are working on proposed destination routes. Staff is also exploring opportunities for bike-share. There are programs with docking stations and there are also dockless bikes. Limebikes is a dockless plan which will be piloting in Dublin. This will kick-off in May and they will be providing us with 250 bikes. The bikes will be located throughout the City at multiple locations including hotels, parks, recreation center, City buildings and some other local businesses. There are boundaries and locations set and everything is accessed through the phone app.

Ms. Shelly talked about the Complete Streets Policy which is about creating spaces that are recognized for pedestrian, bicyclist, motorist and public transportation vehicles. It's designed to enable safer access for people of all ages and abilities and it can accommodate a variety of modes of transportation. Most of the City standards already have these guidelines built in, but it's been pulled into a complete ordinance. As a part of the effort for the League of American Bicyclist trying to get from bronze to silver status, one of their requirements is a Complete Streets Policy. The policy is being reviewed by the Director of Public Works and then it will go to City Council for review and adoption.

Ms. Gawrsonski asked if the circulators could be used for the Memorial Tournament or the Dublin Irish Festival. Ms. Shelly commented that we'll probably try to kick it off during the tournament or festival. Mr. Kapustin asked if staff would consider adding Dublin Methodist Hospital to the route. He spoke of the circumstances he is dealing with as it pertains to aging in place, and it's difficult as older residents have friends that are hospitalized, but they can't go visit them because they don't have transportation to get to the hospital to visit. Ms. Shelly said it is possible to add that location to the route. The plan is to use the pilot program to identify locations based on what the requests are. Ms. Shelly commented that they have been talking to staff at Dublin Methodist Hospital. Our hospital is underserved and it is one of the few that does not have a bus route by it. Ms. Gawronski asked if anyone has contacted COTA about getting added to their bus route. Ms. Shelly discussed a study that COTA is doing and the City was invited to participate on the study committee. They are looking at ways to partner with communities.

Ms. Baker asked if it is voluntary to wear a helmet while riding the dockless bike. Ms. Shelly replied yes it is voluntary. Ms. Baker asked if the bikes have locks on them. Ms. Shelly said there is a clamp on the back wheel. When you scan the code on the bike to access the bike for rental, then the clamp opens and after five minutes of inactivity, the app notifies you and will ask if you are done with your ride. If there is no response then the clamp closes on the back wheel. Ms. Baker asked if they will be stationed at bike racks. Ms. Shelly responded that they will be strategically located at City parks and buildings where there are bike racks that can be designated. When they are located at hotels and private business, they will need to determine where they will be parked and there will be a designation of some type to identify where to park the bikes if there are no bike racks. Ms. Crandall also commented that staff will be able to collect data from these bikes, so if its determined there is a very popular location for the bikes and a bike rack does not exists in that location, it's possible we will install a bike rack depending on the area.

VI. Other Items of Interest

Ms. Crandall provided some updates to the commission:

- Dublin City Council retreat took place two weeks prior and the format was different this year. Each Council member picked a topic they were really passionate about and worked with a staff member and presented to the rest of Council. Two Council members, Mayor Greg Peterman and Council member Christina Alutto, were interested in the "Aging in Place" topic. Ms. Crandall noted that Ms. Alutto won the battle to take on the topic. She presented the topic to Council and there was great support in moving the plan forward and making it an operational plan. Staff will get information back to this commission regarding the retreat report once it is presented at the April 9 Dublin City Council meeting.
- The City of Dublin is partnering with Ohio University regarding the health, wellness and social services section of the Aging in Place Plan. This Friday we will be hosting a summit at Ohio University about aging in place and there are 45 people that have registered. We have close to 30 different agencies and organizations represented and we will spend three hours working the vision for the City of Dublin, as to what it would look like in the year 2025 if we were named the number one place in the world to age in place.
- The City of Dublin will be working with FUSE, which is the innovation part of Cardinal Health that specializes in non-profit behavioral health in Dublin, and Ohio University to roll out a pilot project with Alexa (Amazon Echo) working with some older adults along with their caregivers on what advantage can Alexa have for aging adults. FUSE is also piloting at the same time with other organizations, a medicine dispensing device. It will be a similar concept as a Keurig machine and the prescription filled by the pharmacist will be in a pod and the machine will be able to recognize which what medicines should be dispensed, the quantity and when it should be taken.

Ms. Bohman noted she did some further research on how to dispose of liquid medicine and received multiple point of references that have stated that there are some liquid medications that are acceptable to flush small portions down toilet. She has the references if anyone is interested.

Ms. Bohman also commented that she received extra recreation center brochures this year and she delivered a few to multiple doctor's offices in Dublin and they are putting them in their waiting rooms.

The next meeting of CSAC will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Marja Keplar, Administrative Support III

Marji Kepler

Attachments: Girl Scout Troop 2081 Bronze Award

Sustainability at the Regional Scale Presentation

Sustainability Study Presentation

Girl Scout Troop 2081 Bronze Award

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Reducing Waste in the Bailey Elementary Lunchroom

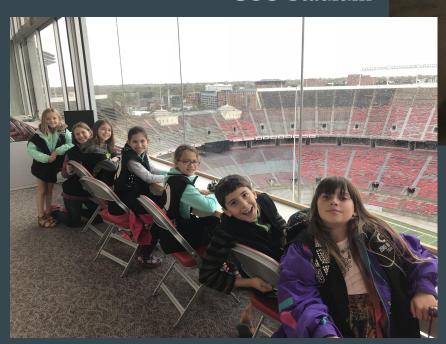
Our Troop (2017-2018)

Girl Scout Troop 2081 - Fifth graders at Bailey Elementary, Dublin, Ohio

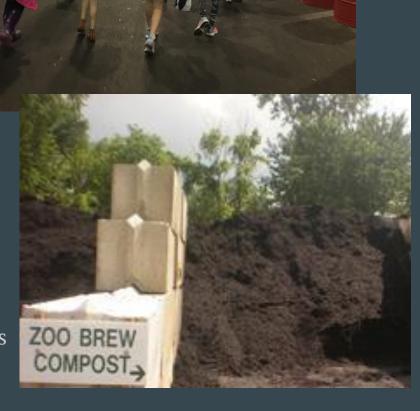
- Anna Breen
- Emily Carr
- Gabby Garcia
- Brenna Hicks
- Elyse Janikian
- Ava Walton

Field Trips

OSU Stadium



Price Farm Organics



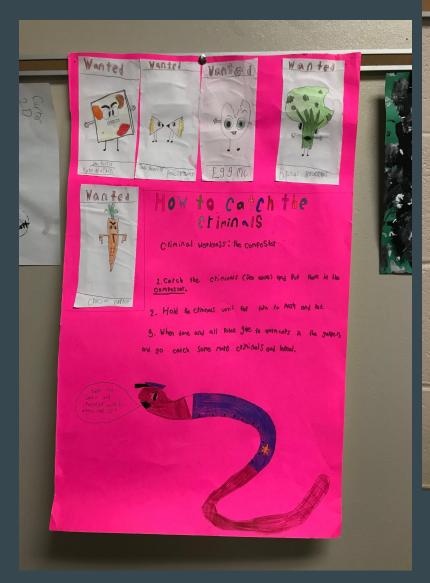
Fifth Grade Survey Results

85 Responses (85% of the class)

- 57% pack daily, 10% more pack most of the time
 - ☐ 75% pack a juice box, juice pouch, or recyclable bottle
 - Over 50% pack single serving chips or pretzels
 - ☐ Almost 60% pack a granola bar or something with a similar wrapper
 - ☐ Almost 50% have fruit peels, cores, or other leftover fruit
- □ 94% recycle at home
 - 60% think recycling is easy
 - 90% think recycling is important and are willing to put effort into recycling at school
- □ 32% compost at home, at least some of the time
 - 72% know little or nothing about composting
 - Over 70% think composting is important and are willing to put effort into composting at school

Posters

Education at School





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Bathroom Stall Flyers



You should compost!

It's great for the environment!

And it helps the earth!

First, get a compost bin.

Next, put in your food scraps - like an old orange peel.

Let it rot, and worms will eat it!
Still not interested?

Here's a fun fact:

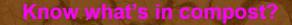
Norm peop is an important part of compost

The worms eat the scraps and poop it out.

Voila, compost!!

Think about it.

If you want to know more, just search worm composting!





WORM POOP!

Plants love it, and it helps the environment. It's easy to compost, so give it a try!

Education at Home

Reduce Waste When You Pack



What to Use in Your Lunch

Banish those plastic baggies and juice pouches! We know they're awesome, but they create huge problems! Baggies take up to 1000 years to break down in a landfill, and you can't put them in the recycling. Drink pouches take even longer! So use reusable containers and water bottles! All you need to do is wash them when you get home, and they're good to go for the next day.

Instead of buying single serving packages of chips or other goodies, try buying larger containers and bringing a serving in a reusable container. Not only will this create less waste, it will also save money.



Lunch Bags







Are you using these types of lunch bags? If you are, good for you! If you aren't, start today! These bags help reduce waste. Most reusable lunch bags also have better insulation and more space for your food.



Troop 2081 Bronze Award 2017-2018



Guess What!

Juice boxes are recyclable at home, but not at Bailey. So take your juice box home, remove the straw, and recycle it there!

Education at Home

Diving into the Dirt:

how you can make a difference by composting.

How To: You will need one container for your kitchen and one bin for outside. The kitchen container could be a 1-2 gallon tupperware or a metal bucket. The outside bin can be either a large composting container or a compost tumbler. When your inside container is full of scraps, dump it into the outside one.

Do's and Don'ts

- <u>Don't</u> put dairy, meats, or fats
- <u>Do</u> put an even mixture of wet things and dry things
- <u>Don't</u> expect immediate results - it can take as long as a year for your first completed soil, maybe shorter depending on how much you turn it, and your ratios between wet and dry.
- Don't put pet waste in compost







What To Compost:

- Vegetable scraps
- Fruit scraps
- Most food
- Pencil shavings
- Any paper (non-glossy)
- napkins/paper towels
- Coffee grounds
- Eggshells
- Grass clippings
- Leaves
- Pet hair
- And more!

Benefits: There are many benefits to composting, some of which include: great free soil (this works wonders on your garden), reduces waste, reduces methane (also known as a greenhouse gas), and completes the nutrient cycle.

Implementation

Baseline Lunchroom Data (Daily):

Typical Trash: 122 pounds

Typical Recycling: Less than

2 pounds

Implementation - Week 1 Data:

Date	Trash	Recycle	5th grade Compost	Total
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
5-Mar	77.1	10.2	5.1	92.4
6-Mar	88.5	11.6	3.2	103.3
7-Mar	81.3	11.6	6.9	99.8
8-Mar	65.2	12.1	6.3	83.6
9-Mar	63.9	18.8	5.5	88.2



