

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO THE HURON RIVER AND IMPOUNDMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

Whereas, the Environmental Commission is concerned with the development of comprehensive and integrated policies for implementation by the City to protect and enhance our water resources,

Whereas, the Huron River is a significant natural feature in the City of Ann Arbor,

Whereas, the Huron River in Ann Arbor is highly used for recreational purposes and bordered by multiple parks forming a greenway along the river,

Whereas, the Huron River is the primary source of drinking water in the City of Ann Arbor,

Whereas, the City of Ann Arbor owns the majority of the property along the Huron River in the City of Ann Arbor,

Whereas, the Ann Arbor community has shown high interest in the Huron River watershed by their support of studies and planning in the watershed and use of the Huron River,

Whereas, sedimentation is a significant concern for the Huron River that will require an integrated strategy for improved management;

Whereas, the Middle Huron River has been cited for exceeding standards for pathogens and phosphorus;

Whereas, creekshed groups have organized and developed plans for several of the creeksheds that feed into the Huron River;

Whereas, no comprehensive plan has been developed for managing the Huron River in Ann Arbor,

Whereas, the Environmental Commission created the Huron River and Impoundment Management Plan Committee in March 2006,

Whereas, the membership of this committee will include three (3) Environmental Commissioners; a representative of the Huron River Watershed Council; a representative of the University of Michigan; a representative of Matthei Botanical Gardens/Nichols Arboretum; a representative of an environmental organization in Ann Arbor; a Rower; a Canoeist; an Angler; a representative of commercial property owners along the Huron River; a residential property owner along the Huron River; and five (5) citizen representatives from creeksheds in the City of Ann Arbor;

Resolved, that the Environmental Commission appoints the following individuals to the Huron River and Impoundment Management Plan Committee for a time certain of 18 months;

- Catherine Rising, Ann Arbor Environmental Commission
- David Stead, Ann Arbor Environmental Commission
- Wendy Woods, Ann Arbor Environmental Commission
- Chris Graham, Ann Arbor Environmental Commission
- Scott Dierks, Allens Creekshed
- Tom Edsall, Environmental advocacy organization
- Dirk Fischbach, Angler
- Paul M. Ganz, DTE
- Cathy Gendron, Barton Boat Club
- Sue Gott, University of Michigan
- Jeffrey Plakke, Nichols Arboretum
- Evan Pratt, Traver Creekshed
- Laura Rubin, Huron River Watershed Council
- David Szczygiel, Ann Arbor Public Schools
- Mike Taft, Rower
- Shirley White-Black, Residential property owner

Resolved, that this resolution and short biographies of these appointees be forwarded to City Council;

Resolved, that the Environmental Commission recommends that this Committee develop recommendations on managing the Huron River and forward these recommendations to the Commission as they are created;

Resolved, that the Huron River and Impoundment Management Plan be completed and forwarded to the City Council by July 1, 2008.

Submitted by Commissioners Riseng and Stead, December 7, 2006

Moved by Commissioner Riseng, Seconded by Commissioner Stead
Approved 8 to 0 (3 Commissioners absent)

Environmental Commissioners	Yes	No	Absent		Yes	No	Absent
Steve Bean (Chair)	✓			Catherine Riseng	✓		
Rita Loch Caruso	✓			David Stead	✓		
Malama Chock			✓	Margie Teall			✓
John German	✓			Wendy Woods	✓		
Chris Graham (Vice-Chair)	✓			David Wright	✓		
TBD			✓				