

**ANN ARBOR CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
JOINT COMMISSION COORDINATION TOWARD A SUSTAINABLE ANN ARBOR
RESOLUTION**

Whereas, the Chairs of the City Planning Commission, Environmental Commission and Energy Commission met six times between December 2009 and April 2010 to discuss the benefits of and options for their respective commissions working more closely together toward a sustainable Ann Arbor.

Whereas, the City Planning Commission, Environmental Commission, and Energy Commission (including four City Council members) had a joint working session on April 13, 2010 to discuss possible interest in working together toward a sustainable Ann Arbor. There was support for facilitating joint input on significant policy issues, providing citizens and the commissions with practical recommendations toward a sustainable Ann Arbor, and to continue exploring a broad discussion on sustainability including the University of Michigan and neighboring municipalities.

Whereas, the City Planning Commission adopted a master plan for the City on May 18, 2010 including a resolve to “explore incorporating sustainability elements into the Master Plan, in coordination with the Energy Commission and Environmental Commission.”

Whereas, the City Planning Commission adopted its Work Program for 2010/2011 on June 1, 2010 including a new Citizen Outreach Committee.

Resolved, the City Planning Commission will seek input from the Environmental Commission and Energy Commission regarding policy recommendations for Master Plan updates, planning studies and zoning ordinance revisions, at the discretion of the Planning Commission chair, which promote a broader view of sustainability.

Resolved, the City Planning Commission will request participation by a representative from the Environmental Commission and the Energy Commission in the Citizen Outreach Committee’s efforts to broaden the community-wide discussion of planning.

Resolved, the City Planning Commission Chair will be available to meet periodically, as deemed necessary, with the Chair of the Environmental Commission and the Chair of the Energy Commission to discuss progress on joint commission coordination toward a sustainable Ann Arbor and to consider this coordination with other City commissions, the University of Michigan’s sustainability representatives and other regional representatives.

Resolved, the City Planning Commission representative on the Environmental Commission will keep each commission updated on policy recommendations being considered by the other commission.

Resolved, the City Planning Commission requests a supporting resolution for joint coordination toward a sustainable Ann Arbor by the Environmental Commission and Energy Commission.

Submitted by: Bonnie Bona, CPC Chair
June 15, 2010