

Hamline Midway Coalition
Environment Committee
Purpose & Structure

Purpose. The purpose of the committee is to: 1) track, discuss, and debate issues related to sustainability and the natural environment, and provide recommendations for action to the HMC Board of Directors and/or public agencies as appropriate; 2) develop and coordinate local initiatives related to sustainability and stewardship of the natural environment.

Membership. The committee will have up to 9 members, including at least one Board member and up to 8 members of the community-at-large (residents, business owners, representatives of institutions, etc.). A majority of committee members must be residents of the Hamline Midway neighborhood.

Appointment. All members will be appointed by the Board of Directors. Anyone interested in joining must: 1) Attend at least one Environment Committee meeting; 2) Complete a membership application form and return it to the HMC office. The Board of Directors will review the application at the next regularly scheduled board meeting. The Board of Directors will strive to ensure that a range of interests and perspectives are represented on the committee.

Terms of Service. Committee members are appointed to a term that ends in January of the year following their appointment or reappointment. In January of each year, the Board of Directors will reappoint all sitting committee members in good standing who wish to be reappointed. Members can be reappointed for an unlimited number of terms, but the Board is under no obligation to reappoint committee members.

Removal. Members serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors and can be removed from the committee by a simple majority vote of the Board at any regularly scheduled meeting for any of the following reasons as determined by fellow committee members: excessive absences, failure to prepare for meetings, disruptive behavior during meetings, or any other legitimate reason as determined by members of the committee.

Meetings. A regular meeting time, date, and location will be determined by committee members at the first meeting of the year following appointments/reappointments.

Committee Leadership. The committee will select a Chair, who will set the agenda for the meeting, communicate the agenda to the membership, and preside over meetings; a vice-Chair, who will serve as Chair as needed; and, if desired, a Secretary, who will record and communicate committee activities as needed.