



Alpharetta Natural Resources
Commission Work Session
OCTOBER 21, 2025

MINUTES

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL

2 PARK PLAZA

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Natural Resources Commission Work Session began at 6:32pm in the First Floor Community Room at City Hall on October 21, 2025.

2. ROLL CALL

- a. Present were:
 - i. Commissioners: Mike Buchanan, Kate Tunison, Herb Velazquez, and Beth Ott
 - ii. Staff: Terry Porter and David Shostak

3. WORK SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the adjournment of this Work Session, the Natural Resources Commission will convene and conduct its monthly meeting.

4. WORK SESSION ITEMS

- a. Staff Reports
 - i. Arborist Report by David Shostak
 - a) Discussed idea of conducting a tree canopy study to compare coverage from a decade ago prior to a spate of development in Alpharetta. Herb Velazquez mentioned speaking with a staff member who may have skill/experience to help with the study.
 - ii. Environmental Programs Report by Terry Porter
 - a) Alpharetta's Rivers Alive Volunteer Cleanup event will take place this Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 8am to noon at Rock Mill Park. Projects will include litter pick-up and plantings.
 - b) November 8, 2025 - Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection for Alpharetta residents - participants must pre-register
 - c) November 15, 2025, is America Recycles Day - discussed putting information out on City's social media about recycling
- b) Committee Reports

i. Wildlife Habitat / Alpharetta's Wild Side - The City is re-certified as a National Wildlife Federation Community Wildlife Habitat for 2025.

5. ADJOURNMENT

a. A motion was made by Beth Ott to adjourn the NRC Work Session. The motion was seconded by Herb Velazquez. The motion passed unanimously. The work session ended at 7:28pm