Environment Committee Meeting Agenda
Greenest Region Corps (GRCorps) Presentations
Day 1, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2020, 1-2:30 p.m. register here
Day 2, Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2020, 9:30-11 a.m., register here

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Description: The Greenest Region Corps (GRCorps) is an AmeriCorps program led by the Mayors Caucus and US EPA that matches sustainability talent with MMC member communities and partners who serve municipalities. Eleven GRCorps members have completed nearly a year of service in local municipal sustainability. Each will present briefly on highlights of their work and experience in these two sessions.

GRC Goal: Lead by demonstrating sustainability values and practices; GRC Strategy MO2 - Dedicate staff to direct sustainability initiatives

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1. Welcome
   *Kevin Burns*, Mayor, City of Geneva & Environment Committee and Energy Subcommittee Chairman, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

2. Introduction to AmeriCorps and Service
   *Daniel Gonzalez*, GRCorps Member, City of Highland Park

3. Municipal Communications Overview
   *Charmaine John*, GRCorps Member, Village of Northbrook

4. Reframing the Waste Conversation
   *Julia Linares*, GRCorps Member, Cook County Department of Environment and Sustainability

5. What I Learned About the Waste Industry and Market, Communicating This Information to Others
   *Ivy Klee*, GRCorps Member, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO)

6. Regional Communications on the EV Ready Program, Solar and Energy Efficiency Initiatives
   *Cheryl Scott*, GRCorps Member, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

7. Experience Climate Change
   *Brittanie Giroux*, GRCorps Member, City of Evanston
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2. Solar Permit Analysis and Native Tree and Plant Program
   Katya Obrez, GRCorps Member, Lake County

3. Bee City USA, Creating a Sustainability Plan, and Reflections on the Year
   Robin Grooms, GRCorps Member, Village of Hawthorn Woods

4. Measuring the Energy Usage of Municipal Buildings
   Leslie Hernandez, GRCorps Member, Village of Oak Park

5. Learning About the Community to Write a Sustainability Plan
   Maya Dutta, GRCorps Member, City of Waukegan

6. Renewable Energy Initiatives
   Haley Crim, GRCorps Member, Village of Park Forest