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Environment Committee Meeting
Revenue From Nature
Feb. 21, 2023, 10-11:30 a.m.

Participation: Please register for the Zoom meeting with the link that was sent to Committee members.

1. Opening Comments & Introduction

Kevin Burns, Mayor, City of Geneva; Environment Committee/Energy Subcommittee Chairman; Executive Board 2nd Vice Chair, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

2. Chicago Region Carbon Program (CRCP)

Zach Wirtz, Chicago Region Trees Initiative (CRTI) Community Manager, The Morton Arboretum

3. StormStore™, A Stormwater Credit Trading Program

Ryan Wilson, Senior Manager, Metropolitan Planning Council

4. Project Sidewalk

Crispina Ojeda Simmons, Project Manager, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus

5. Closing

Kevin Burns

[GRC](#) goal and strategies: L+28 - Optimize tree planting and protect existing trees for maximum carbon storage/sequestration and energy savings. Optimize the use of natural and built systems to manage stormwater. W23 - Implement green infrastructure best practices on municipal properties.

[Climate Action Plan](#) objectives and strategies: Sustain ecosystems to sequester carbon. Grow and manage public landscapes to optimize ecosystem services and support biodiversity. Allow flexibility to meet stormwater requirements. Optimize tree planting and protect existing trees to maximize stormwater benefits.

Next meeting: Topic: Geothermal, Tuesday, March 21, 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM, virtual meeting