



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Board Session Agenda Review Form

Meeting date: May 30, 2018

Department: Public Works Agenda Planning Date: May 24, 2018 Time required: 10 min.

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Department Head Signature:

TITLE EarthWISE certification plaque presentation to Marion County Courthouse Square Green Team.

Issue, Description & Background

The EarthWISE program is a free environmental assistance program offered to all businesses in Marion County. Program staff are available for anything from a quick phone call to answer an environmental question to a full-service environmental assessment site visit; whatever is necessary to help a business to better recycle, reduce waste, and/or save energy and water.

EarthWISE certification recognizes businesses in Marion County that have made a commitment to environmentally friendly practices. Organizations that meet pre-established criteria in the program's focus areas will earn the EarthWISE certification and receive public recognition for their green practices. The Courthouse Square Green Team, which is comprised of representatives from the various departments that reside at Marion County Courthouse Square, was created in Fall 2018. EarthWISE staff worked for the past several months with the team to assess the building, suggest some changes to current practices, and took the steps needed to meet the EarthWISE certification requirements.

Marion County Courthouse Square joins Marion County Public Works and the Marion County Dog Shelter to become the third EarthWISE certified facility in the county system.

Financial Impacts: None.

Impacts to Department & External Agencies None.

Options for Consideration:

1. Hold the presentation as requested.
2. Ask staff to reschedule for another date.

Recommendation: Public Works staff recommends the board of commissioners hold the presentation of the EarthWISE certification plaque, as requested.

List of attachments: None.

Presenter: Alan Pennington, Bailey Payne



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