

TO City Council
FROM Environmental Commission
SUBJECT Environmental Commission
2020/21 Accomplishments and 2021/22 Work Plan

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- Climate Action Plan
 - Building and Electric Vehicle Reach Codes. Assisted in development of Reach Code Ordinances. Council adopted Reach Code Ordinances on November 10, 2020. CA Energy Commission approved on January 25, 2021.
 - Update City's Climate Action Plan. Subcommittee working with City Staff and selected Consultant. Will assist with public outreach. To be completed November 2021.
- Water Conservation & Stormwater Management
 - Green Infrastructure and other Environmental Plans. Reviewed City's Integrated Pest Management Policy update. Policy finalized August 14, 2020.
- Solid Waste Diversion
 - Assist solid waste diversion communications. New Contract executed April 23, 2020. Mission Trails to present to Environmental Commission in March 2021.
 - Investigate initiatives on limiting single use plastics. Reviewed Staff development of ordinance. Ordinance presented to Council on November 10, 2020. Revised ordinance to be presented in 3rd or 4th Quarter 2021.
- Community Outreach & Education
 - Develop program(s) in collaboration with the Los Altos History Museum to utilize the Environmental Education Fund held by LACF (Approximately \$3,500 raised during publication of "Trees of Los Altos"). Completed. Evaluating additional education programs. Environmental Education Fund current balance \$1,636.85.
 - Continue Anti-Idling and gas-powered leaf blower ban outreach and education. Efforts being continued by Community groups.
 - Update environmental measures on City's web site. Limited progress, to be updated with new data developed with Climate Action Plan.
 - Assist Staff with outreach and education efforts related to the SVCEA, Climate Action Plan, Water Conservation & Stormwater Management, Solid Waste Diversion and issues of Community interest. Completed significant outreach related to Reach Codes (surveys, webinar, WEB information, etc.) SVCEA to present to Environmental Commission in May of 2021

2021/22 Work Plan

1. Climate Action Plan
 - a. Los Altos Climate Action Plan (CAP) Update (subcommittee Delagnaue, Humayun, Weiden)
 - i. Assist Staff and Consultant in review and outreach
 - ii. Council Adoption of CAP (December 2021 estimated)
 - b. Building Electrification
 - i. Work to implement CAP building electrification actions
 - ii. Council Adoption of Reach Codes Ordinance Update (Fall 2022)
 - c. Vehicle Miles Traveled Reduction
 - i. Work to implement CAP transportation actions
 - ii. Advance walking, biking, shared transit (cooperative efforts with Complete Streets Commission)
2. Solid Waste Diversion
 - a. Reduction
 - i. CA Senate Bill 1383 Compliance Ordinance (divert food wastes from landfill)

- ii. Council Adoption of Ordinance Limiting Plastic Use (Fall 2021) (subcommittee Delagnaeu, Teksler, Weiden)
 - iii. Advance Residential Composting
 - b. Reuse
 - i. Develop Repair Assistance (information resource, café, volunteers, solid waste hauler diversion, other)
 - c. Recycling and Composting
 - i. Assist Staff, Mission Trails Waste with education and implementation (set goals, measure, report)
 - 1. Commercial District
 - 2. Residential
- 3. Green/Sustainability Activities
 - a. City Streetscape (rain gardens, storm water quality, surface water infiltration)
 - b. Land Use and Public Spaces (cooperative efforts with Complete Streets Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission) – Trees, street closures, pest management, storm water, etc
- 4. Education and Outreach
 - a. Programs that utilize LACF Environmental Education Fund balance (subcommittee Klein, Teksler, Yuan)
 - b. Santa Clara County Healthy Cities Program assistance
 - c. Sustainability Lens (Assist Council in Project Evaluations)
 - i. Policy Resolutions
 - ii. City Web Site (Environmental measures, activities, news, education)
 - d. Native Landscaping
 - e. Water Conservation

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
2021/22 Targets & Work Plan
May 4, 2021 Joint Meeting with City Council

Targets	Projects	Assignments	Target Date	City Priority related to	Status
Climate Action Plan	Building Electrification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee -Don Weiden, Laura Tekler and Lei Yuan 	Fall 2022	CAAP Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reach Codes approved at the November 10, 2020 Council meeting On January 25, 2021, the CEC approved the Reach Code ordinances Reach Codes currently implemented and in effect Work to implement CAP building electrification actions Council adoption of Reach Code ordinance update (2.0) targeted for Fall 2022
	Update of City's CAP (Climate Action and Adaptation Plan- CAAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee- Don Weiden, Bruno Delagneau, Raashina Humayun to work with staff and consultant 	Dec. 2021	CAAP Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EC to work with staff and consultant to update the CAP - Climate Action and Adaptation Plan Staff and CAAP subcommittee update the EC at regular commission meetings CAAP Adoption by Council targeted for December 2021
	Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EC cooperative with Complete Streets Commission 	Ongoing	CAAP Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to implement CAAP transportation actions Advance walking, biking, and shared transit

Green/Sustainability Activities	Green Infrastructure and Other Sustainability Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist staff in implementation of the Green/Sustainability Actions 	Ongoing	Storm Water Regional Discharge Permit and other Environmental Related Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy update finalized August 14, 2020 Assist with City Streetscape efforts such as rain gardens, storm water quality, surface water infiltration Assist with Land Use and Public Spaces efforts such as trees, street closures, pest management and storm water - cooperative with Complete Streets Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission
Solid Waste Diversion	Solid Waste Disposal Contract- Recycling and Composting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee- Don Weiden, Laura Teksler and Bruno Delagneau 	Monthly	Recycling and Composting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Amended and Restated Collection Service Agreement between the City of Los Altos and MTWS was executed on April 23, 2020 EC to assist staff and Mission Trail Waste System with education and implementation, set goals, measures and report for both Commercial and Residential
	Reduction- Investigate initiatives on limiting Single-Use Plastics and CA SB 1383 compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee- Don Weiden, Laura Teksler and Bruno Delagneau 	Fall 2021	Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft ordinance presented at EC meetings of Sept. 14, 2020 and Oct. 12, 2020 Staff presented Food Service Ware ordinances (option 1 and 2) to Council on Nov. 10, 2020 Council decided to put ordinance adoption on hold due to COVID-19 Assist with preparation of ordinance Limiting Plastic Use (upon Council request) Assist staff with SB 1383 compliance ordinance to divert food waste from landfills Advance residential composting programs
	Reuse- Develop Repair Assistance		Ongoing	Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop repair assistance- information resource, café, volunteers, solid waste hauler diversion and more

Community Outreach & Education

<p>Develop program in collaboration with the Los Altos History Museum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Education Fund held by LACF • Subcommittee- David Klein, Laura Tekler and Lei Yuan 	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Public outreach and education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EC coordinates with History Museum for the EnviroThon Challenge • Ed fund balance \$1,636.85 as of Jan. 13, 2021 • A Subcommittee was established February 2021 • Subcommittee to develop programs that utilize LACF Environmental Education Fund balance
<p>Sustainability Lens- assist Council in project evaluations and update environmental webpage on the City web site</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EC to assist Council 	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Public outreach and education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The City's Public Information's Officer, Sonia Lee and staff will continue to update the City's website • Dashboard updated as of January 2021 • EC to work with staff on updates to the environmental webpage on the City web site as needed • Assist Council in project evaluations for Policy Resolutions
<p>Santa Clara County Healthy Cities Program assistance</p>		<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Public outreach and education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with Santa Clara County Healthy Cities Program
<p>Continue to support SVCEA community outreach and education</p>		<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Public outreach and education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The City's Public Information's Officer and staff will continue to update the community with programs and opportunities offered by SVCE
<p>Assist staff with various outreach and education efforts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Action Plan • Water Conservation • Storm Water Management • Solid Waste Diversion • Native Landscaping 	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Public outreach and education</p>	