



DATE: August 12, 2019

AGENDA ITEM #4

TO: Environmental Commission
FROM: Callie Niday, Staff Liaison
SUBJECT: Environmental Commission Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and take action, as appropriate, on the 2019/20 Environmental Commission Work Plan

BACKGROUND

The Environmental Commission met in a Joint Meeting with the City Council on May 7, 2019 to review the Commission's 2018/19 Accomplishments and Draft 2019/20 Target areas and discussed issues and projects for the upcoming year. Based on this discussion, the targets were finalized, and the 2019/20 Work Plan was developed. The Targets and Work Plan are intended to focus the Commission's agenda items and will serve as a roadmap for projects and actions, as appropriate, during the 2019/20 year.

DISCUSSION

Environmental Commission Targets and resulting Work Plan for 2019/20 are:

1. Climate Action Plan
2. Water Conservation and Stormwater Management
3. Solid Waste Diversion
4. Community Outreach and Education

The Commission will review the targets, projects, and status updates at each of its monthly meetings and act appropriately.

Attachments:

- A. 2019/20 Targets and Work Plan
- B. Memo to Environmental Commission from Single-Use Plastics Subcommittee

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

2019/20 Targets & Work Plan

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Targets	Projects	Assignments	Target Date	City Priority related to	Status
Climate Action Plan	Review and comment on Building and Electric Vehicle Reach Codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee -Don Weiden, Laura Teksler and Lei Yuan 	January 2020	CAP Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SVCE presentation of Building Model Reach Code language on May 29, 2019 SVCE presentation of Electric Vehicle Model Reach Code language on June 6, 2019 SVCE presentation of Reach Codes to Commission on July 8, 2019; the Commission made a motion to support staff development and ratification of a reach code Subcommittee met on July 15, 2019 The subcommittee will come back with recommendations to City staff by the next EC meeting
	Update of City's CAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee to work with staff and Subconsultant 	Monthly	CAP Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sustainability Coordinator position was approved by the City Council for the Fiscal Year 2019-20 / 2020-21 Operating Budget on June 11, 2019 This is on hold until the new Sustainability Coordinator is on board
Water Conservation & Stormwater Management	Green Infrastructure Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist staff in development and review of Plan 	June 2019	Storm Water Regional Discharge Permit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff made a presentation of their final plan to the Commission on May 13, 2019 Included as a consent item for the City Council meeting of July 9, 2019

Solid Waste Diversion	Provide review comments on Solid Waste Disposal Contract	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee Don Weiden, Laura Tekler and Chad Martin 	January 2020	Solid Waste Disposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee met with staff and City Consultant on March 20, 2019 for a study session City held a Community Meeting on May 15, 2019
	Investigate initiatives on limiting single use plastics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee to work with staff and Subconsultant 	Monthly	Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update to EC on June 10, 2019 The City of Los Altos is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee (Santa Clara County Recycling and Waste Reduction Division – Draft Zero Waste Plan) Andrea Trese from the City’s Engineering Division is the Los Altos representative
Community Outreach & Education	Develop program in collaboration with the Los Altos History Museum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Education Fund held by LACF David Klein 	June 2019	Public outreach and education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination with History Museum Apricot Stem Fair EnviroThon Challenge held at the Apricot STEM Fair on June 30, 2019 Winners and awards were selected at the EC meeting of July 8, 2019
	Update environmental measures on the City web site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chad Martin 	Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Continue gas-powered leaf blower ban outreach and education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laura Tekler 	Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Continue anti-idling outreach and education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don Weiden 	Ongoing	Public outreach and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 10, 2019 Report on Los Altos HS Survey Results
	Continue to support SVCEA community outreach and education		Ongoing	Public outreach and education	
	Assist staff with various outreach and education efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Action Plan Water Conservation Storm Water Management Solid Waste Diversion Urban Forest / Trees Downtown Vision 		Public outreach and education	

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To: Environmental Commission

From: Single Use Plastics Subcommittee
Halkola, Weiden, Yuan

Subject: Environmental Commission
2018/2019 Targets & Work Plan

Discussed the status of the Subcommittee investigation at the February 11, 2019 Environmental Commission Meeting. Committee agreed that the Subcommittee should continue investigating and reporting on ordinances and regulations under consideration. This is an update for the August 12, 2019 Environmental Commission Meeting

1. CA Assembly Bill No. 1884
 - a. Signed by the Governor and filed on September 20, 2018
 - b. Adds Chapter 5.2 to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code which prohibits a full-service restaurant from providing single-use plastic straws unless requested by the customer.
 - c. http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1884
2. CA Senate Bill No. 1335
 - a. Signed by the Governor and filed on September 20, 2018
 - b. Adds to Chapter 6 to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code which the setting and maintenance of standards for sustainable food service packaging at state facilities by 1/1/2021 (does not include straws, cup lids, plastic bags and utensils)
 - c. http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1335
3. City of Berkeley
 - a. Single Use Disposable Foodware and Litter Reduction Ordinance became effective March 27, 2019. Reducing the use of disposable foodware is a component of the City's Zero Waste goal.
 - b. [https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Public Works/Zero Waste/Berkeley Single Use Foodware and Litter Reduction Ordinance.aspx](https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Public%20Works/Zero%20Waste/Berkeley%20Single%20Use%20Foodware%20and%20Litter%20Reduction%20Ordinance.aspx)
4. City of Sunnyvale
 - a. The Sunnyvale Sustainability Commission and Climate Action Plan 2.0 Advisory Committee is making final edits to a Climate Action Playbook that will go to the City Council on August 13, 2019.
 - b. Climate Action Playbook includes 4.1 Achieve Zero Waste Goals for Solid Waste. Food Scrap Collection, Increased Landfill Diversion and Waste Prevention are part of the Playbook.
 - c. Council authorized a [Single Use Plastics study](#)
 - d. Sunnyvale is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee
 - e. Sustainability Commission contacts include Kristel Wickham and Doug Kunz
 - f. City Solid Waste Mark Bowers MBowers@sunnyvale.ca.gov 408-730-7421

5. City of Cupertino
 - a. Sunnyvale is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee
 - b. Sustainability Commission contact is Gary Latschaw
 - c. <https://www.cupertino.org/our-city/commissions/sustainability-commission>
6. Town of Los Altos Hills
 - a. Environmental Initiatives Committee contacts include Pat Lang and Peter Evans
 - b. <http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/159/Environmental-Initiatives>
7. Town of Los Gatos and City of Saratoga
 - a. Do not have Environmental or Sustainability Commissions
8. City of Mountain View
 - a. Calls meetings of its Council's Environmental Subcommittee or appoints Advisory Bodies when needed
 - b. Completed and Council adopted Final Report of the 2017-2018 Environmental Sustainability Task Force dated June 19, 2018
<http://laserfiche.mountainview.gov/WebLink/0/edoc/219376/ESTF-2%20Sustainability%20Recommendations%20Report%20-%20June%202018%20-%20FINAL.pdf>
 - c. Report recommendations include Adopt a citywide ban on single-use disposable plastic foodware (W-9)
 - d. Lori.Topley@mountainview.gov is chair of the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee. Next meeting is August 20, 2019.
9. City of Palo Alto
 - a. Palo Alto is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee
 - b. <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/services/sustainability/default.asp>
 - c. See Palo Alto's [Zero Waste Plan](#) dated August 2018 page 15 item 13, page 19 item 26
 - d. Disposable Foodware Items and Other Disposable Products ordinance adopted on June 24, 2019 <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/72277>
10. City of Santa Clara
 - a. Santa Clara is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee
 - b. Mission Trails provides disposal services
11. Santa Clara County
 - a. County of Santa Clara Recycling and Waste Reduction Commission (Los Altos is a voting member of this Commission) www.reducewaste.org
 - b. The County Waste Reduction Commission proposed the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee (In addition to listed cities, Milpitas, Morgan Hill and San Jose are participating in the committee)
12. State of California
 - a. A single use plastics bill is under consideration. SB 54 by Allen and Wiener Passed by Senate, in Assembly and referred to Appropriations Committee.
 - b. Current requirements include that manufacturers and retailers of single use plastic packaging or products in CA to reduce waste generation through combined source reduction and recycling by 20% on 1/1/2024, 40% on 1/1/2028 and 75% by 1/1/2030.
 - c. Information on the Bill is located at http://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB54
13. City of Los Altos
 - a. Los Altos is participating in the Ad Hoc Model Foodware Ordinance Committee
 - b. Andrea Trese is the Los Altos representative