

2025 Work Plan for Environment and Energy Commission

2025 Initiatives and Ongoing Projects

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES/METRICS	TIMEFRAME	BUDGET	PROGRESS UPDATES
Advise on energy-related matters of concern The best methods of maintaining an environment beneficial to the Village	Oak Park Electric Shuttle	Stay updated on the Electric Shuttle Feasibility Study. Provide comment as necessary.	Q4 2025		In 2024 the EEC completed a draft community survey to gather community input on an electric shuttle. The survey was published in Q4 2024.
Advise on energy-related matters of concern; Promote energy efficiency	Building Energy Policies	Propose ordinance to Board to electrify existing buildings during renovations and/or adopt Illinois Stretch Code. Coordinate with Building Code Advisory Commission on policy development. Receive staff update on building codes. Receive staff update on benchmarking program progress and provide program improvement recommendations, and support increasing compliance. Receive updates and provide input on EECBG Building Performance Standards technical assistance. Support education around rebates and incentives for residential electrification and efficiency. Participate in cross-jurisdictional and collaborative groups as needed.	Q4 2025		

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Solid waste management-related matters generally	Community Waste Reduction Program	Continue assessment of the single use bag ordinance and propose strategies for compliance and/or changes to the ordinance. Receive updates on composting program and waste related studies.	Q4 2025	\$1000 for outreach, communications, in-person events, etc. to solicit community feedback	Proposed options to expand composting dropoff sites. Proposed conducting a refuse rate study to support composting.
The best methods of maintaining an environment beneficial to the Village	Biodiversity Program	Propose that the Board adopt the updated Parkway Planting Ordinance Propose exterior lighting ordinance recommendations to Board.	Q1 2025 (Parkway) Q4 2025 (lighting)		Received presentation of lighting study
Promotes energy efficiency... a pollution-free environment in Oak Park... recycling...	Sustainability Awards (Green Awards)	Solicit, evaluate, and recommend award recipients. Participate in awards ceremony.	Q4 select awardees / Q1 awards ceremony		
The best methods of maintaining an environment beneficial to the Village	Key performance indicators	Receive updates from staff on CROP plan progress and assist in gathering data from the community.	Q4 2025		