

2017 Work Plan for Environment and Energy Commission Supporting Sustainability

2017 Initiatives and Ongoing Projects

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES	TIMEFRAME	COST (if any)
Promote energy conservation and environmental sustainability Promote recycling and waste reduction	Public Education	Provide educational outreach (including composting, energy efficiency and conservation, native planting and special collection events and other environmental information) to the community by participating in Day In Our Village, Farmers' Market and three other community events. Also seek opportunities to reach out to local groups and School Green Teams.	Ongoing	\$100.00 for printing and display items
Promote environmental sustainability	Public Education	Green Awards – recognizing specific efforts by individuals, businesses or community organizations that embody the advance of the Village's mission toward a sustainable and secure future.	Partner with HPC, CDC and DAC to share ceremony	\$1,000.00 for share of ceremony costs
Maintaining a beneficial environment as pollution-free as possible	Sustainability Pollution reduction Public Education	Work with Wild Ones and other groups to promote methods of pesticide avoidance practices and initiatives and native plant landscaping. Distribute educational materials and 800 Pesticide Free yard signs to residents and schools.	April - November	
Promote environmental sustainability	Sustainability	Review aggregation funds generated and recommend projects for local renewable energy projects.	TBD	
Promote environmental sustainability	Sustainability	Explore the potential for community solar projects including partnership with other local and regional organizations.	TBD	
Promote environmental sustainability	Sustainability Pollution reduction	Advise the Board on proposed I-ECO interagency sustainability organization structure.	TBD	
Promote environmental sustainability	Public Education Pollution reduction	Research noise abatement initiatives that could be potential installations along the Green Line.	TBD	

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2016 Completed Initiatives

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Promote energy conservation and environmental sustainability Promote recycling and waste reduction	Public Education	Provided educational (including composting, energy efficiency and conservation, water conservation, pesticide avoidance, special collection events and other environmental information) outreach to the community by participating in Day In Our Village, Farmers' Market and Earth Fest.	Throughout the year	\$100.00 for printing and display items
Promote environmental sustainability	Public Education	Green Awards – Partnered with HPC, CDC and DAC to share the 2016 Awards ceremony	Presentation Scheduled for Dec. 7	\$1,000.00 for share of ceremony costs
Promote environmental sustainability	Sustainability	Reviewed refuse, recycling and yardwaste collection contract and made a recommendation to the Village Board for consideration.	February	
Maintaining a beneficial environment as pollution-free as possible	Sustainability Pollution reduction Public Education	Worked with Wild Ones and other groups to promote methods of pesticide avoidance practices and initiatives and native plant landscaping. Created an educational brochure and continued to distribute 800 Pesticide Free yard signs to residents and schools.	Ongoing	
Promote environmental sustainability	Sustainability Pollution reduction Public Education	Submitted a recommendation to the Village Board regarding single-use plastic bags.	Sept. 19	
Promote energy conservation and environmental sustainability	Sustainability Pollution reduction	Attended presentations and provided comments to the PlanItGreen Advisory Board on the energy aggregation projects.		