

City Council Hearing

Item #6: Update on Sustainability Program and Feedback on 2022 Program Focus Areas

RTC # 21-1732

December 14, 2021





Equity

Community, Health, Quality of Life, Involvement, Access

Sustainability

A Balancing Act

Agenda:

 State and local sustainability targets

2020-2021 Sustainability
 Program accomplishment
 highlights

 2022 Sustainability Program proposed focus areas



Environment

Water and Air Quality, Energy, Climate, Food, Land Use



Economy

Quality Jobs, Profit, Funding Infrastructure & Innovation



State Regulations

& Local Targets

2020-22

50%
Reduction
Organics
Recycling
Diversion
(SB1382)

CAP Update

Reach Codes 2025

75% Reduction Organics Disposal

50% Renewable Electricity

1.5 M EV's 250 K EV Charging 2030

40% GHG Emissions Reductions (SB32)

60% Renewable Electricity

5M ZEV's

2033

Diesel Free by'33 Council Pledge

2035

80% GHG emissions reductions (Proposed

(Proposed Council CAP target)

EV sales (N-79-2)

2045

100% Carbon Free Electricity (SB100)

Carbon Neutral (CA B-55-18) ○ Later

○ Tomorrow

○ Today



2050

80% GHG Emissions Reductions (SB32)



Sustainable Santa Clara

Innovation Highlights

City Climate Action Plan Update

All-electric building electrification and electric vehicle reach code adoption

Community Electric Vehicle Blueprint – 96 public charger connectors

Fleet Electrification Plan - Over 20 EV's on fleet and growing charging infrastructure

Microgrid and battery storage pilot projects

SVP's Green Power Program ranked second in nation for Green Power Excellence









Sustainable Santa Clara

Integration Highlights

Organics waste collection program

Water & Sewer projects - Recycled water offsets 19% of potable water

Sustainable Parks - Smart irrigation, water conservation, tree plantings, EV charging, solar

Facility greening – Northside Library 62 MWh solar, Mission Branch LEED Silver Certified

Clean mobility - 2.5 miles of bicycle lane improvements with 5.9 miles on the way











Sustainable Santa Clara

Collaboration & Connection Highlights

Customer rebates - lawn replacement, rain barrels, E-bikes, heat pump water heaters, EV chargers

EV workshops, CAP and Reach Codes community engagement, drought and water conservation campaigns, Complete Streets outreach, connection with youth climate voice

Internal City Green Team

New Sustainable Santa Clara outreach efforts

Local & regional collaboration - climate action, urban forests, transportation & building electrification, pollution prevention, and green jobs











Sustainability Program 2022 Proposed Areas of Focus

- Align implementation of plans through cross-departmental collaboration
- Explore and expand sustainable energy solutions
- Expand sustainable transportation, electrification, and clean mobility options
- Identify and implement water conservation, nature-based solution and natural resource conservation strategies
- Continue to incorporate sustainability in City parks, facilities, and fleet
- Update green purchasing policy/practices to meet mandates and show leadership
- Expand sustainability related community education, outreach and engagement
- Utilize partnerships to increase reach/impact across targeted sustainability areas
- Update Sustainability Legislative Advocacy Positions



Recommendation

Title: Update on Sustainability Program

Staff Recommendation:

 Note and File Update on Sustainability Program and Provide Feedback on 2022 Program Focus Areas



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