



AGENDA OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2022, 5:00 PM
Virtual Meeting. Public may join via Zoom.

A. Zoom Meeting Information.

1. This item contains Zoom information, instructions, and a link to the Virtual Comment Form.

B. Roll Call.

1. Chair- Seth Hoffmeister; Vice Chair-Ned Dorff; Alder Randy Scannell; John Arendt; Stephanie Dodge; Amy Kox; Kaurie Mihm-PRF; Julia Noordyk; Mark Walter.

C. Approval of the Agenda.

1. Approval of the Sustainability Commission meeting agenda for February 17, 2022.

D. Approval of Minutes.

1. Approval of minutes from January 19, 2022.

E. Regular Business.

1. Discussion of 2022 Sustainability Commission Work Plan and with possible action to approve the annual work plan.

F. Informational.

1. Staff update re: Pesticide Policy for City Operations
2. Work Group Updates
3. Resiliency Coordinator Update
4. Other Member Updates

G. Adjournment.

- 1) THIS MEETING IS RECORDED: THE VIDEO OF THIS MEETING AND MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.greenbaywi.gov
- 2) ACCESSIBILITY: Any person wishing to attend who requires special accommodation because of a disability, should contact the City Safety Manager at 920-448-3125 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time so that arrangements can be made.
- 3) QUORUM: Please take notice that a majority or quorum of the Common Council will attend this Sustainability Commission meeting and will constitute a meeting of the Common Council for purposes of discussion and information gathering relative to this agenda.
- 4) REPRESENTATION: The party requesting the communication, or their representative, should be present at this meeting.

Virtual Meeting Instructions



Sustainability Commission

Zoom Meeting Information

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Public Comments

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Additional Information

1. Wisconsin Open Meetings Law still applies
 - a. Persons interested in speaking to an item must state their name and address for the minutes.
 - b. Committee/Commission/Board members will still follow *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised 12th edition*.
2. Please log into the Zoom meeting at least 10 minutes before the meeting begins to ensure a proper connection and that your technology is working.
 - a. If you are a Board Member, please log into [CivicClerk](#) with a computer, laptop, or tablet device.
3. Once you are in the meeting please mute yourself.
 - a. You may unmute yourself when you are called upon to speak.
4. Waiting room
 - a. When you call in or connect via web or Zoom app, you will be placed in a "waiting room."
 - b. The meeting host will then admit you to the meeting, and mute you upon entrance (you will still be able to hear and or otherwise observe the meeting).
5. Registering
 - a. The host may ask you to register for the meeting. A registration link will be sent to you along with the invite. You'll receive another email confirming that you're registered for the meeting.
 - b. If you're using a phone, your registration will be tied to an email.
6. Raising your hand
 - a. Committee/Commission/Board members—you can either use CivicClerk and request to speak or you can also utilize the "raise your hand" tool in the Zoom platform (you'd need to use a computer or tablet) to let the host know you would like to speak. You can also un-mute yourself and start speaking.
 - b. Persons with items on the agenda or other interested parties—you can also utilize the "raise your hand" tool on the Zoom platform via computer or mobile device. You will be allowed to speak once the committee, commission, or board has moved to "open the floor for interested parties to speak." Once discussion on your agenda item has concluded, the host will mute you, unless the committee opens the floor again.
7. What devices should I use?
 - a. Smart phone (please see more detailed instructions on page 3)
 - b. Land line
 - c. Tablet—in advance of the meeting, please download the Zoom Meeting app by using either the Apple Store or the Play Store. You will be asked to input your name, to identify you for the meeting.
 - d. Computer—you can access the meeting through a web browser by clicking on the meeting link, or through the Zoom Meeting app. If using the app, please download it in advance of the meeting. You will be asked to input your name, to identify yourself for the meeting.
 - e. For tablet and computer users—if you download the app you may be asked to verify your email.

8. Zoom etiquette
 - a. Muting yourself when you're not speaking will prevent your background noise from interfering with others' ability to listen to and participate in the meeting.
 - b. If you're using a telephone, please identify yourself with your phone number and state your name and address before you speak. Zoom meeting hosts can see only your telephone number and will ask you to identify yourself.
9. Closed session
 - a. Persons in the Zoom meeting will be put into a waiting room while the committee/commission/board meets in Closed Session. Participants will be admitted back into the Zoom meeting once the committee reconvenes in Open Session.
 - b. Persons watching a Common Council meeting live on YouTube will see a gray screen with the City logo during closed session.
10. Persons interested in attending anonymously or listening to the meeting may call in by dialing *67 followed by the phone number in the Zoom Meeting Information box.

Calling into the Zoom meeting using a smartphone

1. Dial the phone number listed at the beginning of this document.
2. When prompted, enter the Meeting ID number followed by #
3. Once you are in the meeting, notify the meeting host that you are in and state your name.
4. If you do not wish to speak, please make sure your phone is on **Mute**
 - a. If you're using a smartphone, look at your screen and click the Mute button





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AGENDA ITEM # E.I

Discussion of 2022 Sustainability Commission Work Plan and with possible action to approve the annual work plan.

BACKGROUND

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- I. 2022 GB Sustainability Commission Annual Planning Matrix

City of Green Bay Sustainability Commission 2022 Work Plan

Purpose of this Document: This work plan is intended to focus the work of the Sustainability Commission and to provide transparency to the common council, mayor, city staff, and citizens of Green Bay. While there are many sustainability issues that need addressing, we have limited our focus to these four categories and identified specific goals and actions that we as a city can tangibly address. This document is not a final product, but rather an overview of what we intend to take on. This document also outlines how we may consider new issues that are brought to our attention throughout the year, and general principles on how we will act on all of the goals. The Sustainability Commission will update the work plan annually at the beginning of the year.

Process: Once developed, all actions and proposals outlined in this work plan will go from the Sustainability Commission to the necessary committee or staff before making its way to common council for approval. We know that every action we propose must be rooted in data and make effective use of our limited financial and staff resources, while addressing environmental impacts, and improving the quality of life in Green Bay. Sustainability, after all, considers the long-term economic, social, and environmental costs of the impact of our actions as a community. Those unsure of the proven data that back our proposals are welcome to ask questions when it presented to them. This work plan is not a data-driven policy proposal but an internal tool to drive and provide transparency to our work.

Issue Area	Goal	Research, Data, or Evidence	Actions	Target Dates	Partners	Funding Sources	Point People	Additional Documents
Clean Energy	100% clean energy for city operations by 2050 100% clean energy for the community by 2050	Benchmarking of city energy use (completed) Benchmarking of community energy use (in progress)	Develop Climate Action Plan (CAP) / Comprehensive Energy Plan	CAP completed by spring 2023	Water Utility, Metro Transit Department, Slipstream Consulting, UWGB, NWTC, WPS, Oneida Nation	Office of Energy Innovation, State of Wisconsin	Seth Hoffmeister, John Arendt	Wisconsin Clean Energy Toolkit, Renewable Energy Work Plan
Climate Resilience	Strengthen resilience and adaptive	Outline local climate changes,	Develop Flood Resilience Plan		WI Coastal Management Program, East	WI Coastal Management Program,	Julia Noordyk,	

and Adaptation	capacity to climate - related hazards and natural disasters by 2030	projections and impacts (WICCI) Identify social, economic and environmental risks due to projected impacts Identify areas and residents at risk			River Resilience Collaborative	Fund for Lake MI	Stephanie Dodge	
Ecological Restoration (revisit name)	To create connected, productive, and safe habitat corridors in Green Bay's land, air and water by 2030.	Maps of restored habitat and priority areas. Database of dark sky features.	Create Native Plants First policy for city. Establish No Mow May policy. Develop Dark Sky Ordinance: scope?	Native Plants: pass in 2022 to implement for 2023. No Mow May ready by May 2022. Dark Sky ordinance passed in 2022.	Dark Sky Organization, Wild Ones, Master Gardeners, Green Bay Conservation Corps., DNR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Green Bay Conservation Partners	AmeriCorps, identify other grant opportunities	Ned Dorff, Kaurie Mihm	
Waste Reduction	Reduce amount of organic waste	US EPA Food waste program; ReFED	Establish pilot collection program; identify end	Pilot set up by mid 2023	Greener Bay Compost; public works;	US EPA,	Mark Walter	United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

	entering our landfill system	City of Madison, Milwaukee programs	location and use for organic material; reduce contamination		organics facility/farm Compost hauler		https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food Policy Ideas for States and Localities https://furtherwithfood.org/resources/keeping-food-landfill-policy-ideas-states-localities/ Central Wisconsin Preliminary Food System Assessment https://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/ap/clue/Pages/Regional-Food-System-Assessment.aspx x https://refed.org/about/who-we-are/
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Criteria for Taking on New Issues:

The Sustainability Commission will use these goals to guide our work in 2022, however we rely on input from community members to drive our work. Ideas from council members, other city staff, or citizens will be considered with the following questions in mind:

- How does this fit in with our current goals?
- Can taking this on help further our mission and make an impact on sustainability in Green Bay?
- Who will be leading this effort? Commission members? Citizen? City staff? What is the capacity to take this on?
- What research is required to move forward on this?
- If we can't take this on now, can we revisit it in the future?
- Are we the most appropriate entity to address this? Is there a committee, commission, or department better suited to address it?

General Goals and Principles for Each Issue Area:

- Community Involvement: We know our work will be more effective when the public is not only informed, but involved in developing and implementing our work. We will strive to create pathways for involvement in all facets of our work, including but not limited to creating work groups, holding listening sessions, speaking to organizations, distributing surveys, and seeking the input of our fellow neighbors.
- Public Outreach and Awareness: We will strive to amplify our work to the community. Specifically, we will increase our social media and web presence, and update the Sustainability Commission webpage to include relevant information to our ongoing work.
- Racial Justice, and Equity: Often those most impacted by pollution are the most marginalized in our society. We see the intersections between race, class, and environmental impacts and will center that in our work. We will strive to have our neighbors most impacted by environmental injustice a part of the solutions we develop and implement.
- Data and Research Driven: There are volumes of peer-reviewed data and research on all of our issue areas. As such we know it is important to present reasons why our solutions will help, and will include detailed reasons why before any votes by common council. This commission has members with expertise in a variety of issue areas, and access to networks of experts outside of our skill sets.
- Fiscal Responsibility: Sustainability projects done right can save the city and community money in the long-term. Every policy proposal and action we bring forth will demonstrate that. Even with long-term cost savings, we are cognizant of the constraint with the up-front costs of implementing sustainability proposals. As such we will identify grant funding, volunteer experts, and present common council with the most fiscally responsible options with any possible policies.



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AGENDA ITEM # F.I

Staff update re: Pesticide Policy for City Operations

BACKGROUND

Update from Dan Ditscheit, Parks Director. Informational item.

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None



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Other Member Updates

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None