

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date June 13, 2024

Originating Department Community Development

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Title Accepting the Climate Action Plan

Legislative History

 First Presentation – February 24, 2022 - Resolution 1836, Establishing a Climate Action Committee

- Second Presentation April 28, 2022 Resolution 1844, Increase the Number of Members on the Climate Action Committee
- Third Presentation May 9, 2022 Presentation of the Climate Action Plan to City Council

Attachments:

- 1. Climate Action Plan
- 2. Resolution 1836, Establishing a Climate Action Committee
- 3. Resolution 1844, Increase the Number of Members on the Climate Action Committee

Executive Summary

The development of the 2024 Climate Action Plan for the City of Lake Forest Park was created by the City's dedicated Climate Action Committee. The policy level items from the Climate Action Plan have been drafted into three elements of the current periodic update materials for the current Comprehensive Plan update. The Planning Commission reviewed and moved forward with those suggestions, and they will be included in a draft document in late June to prepare for an open house, public hearing, and recommendation to the City Council.

This document will be a reference guide for the city on how to take actions to reduce Lake Forest Park's contribution to climate change and prepare the LFP community for climate impacts. The Climate

Action Committee engage the broader Lake Forest Park community during development of the Climate Action Plan through a survey and public events. The LFP community indicated the importance of taking climate action.

Background

Title 2.22.020 C. of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code authorizes the creation of "task forces or committees" on a temporary of indefinite basis to deal with a specific policy area or issue. Scopes of work are subject to council approval and the committee will be disbanded when its purpose has been achieved or terminated. While the attached resolution gives initial direction to the committee, the committee will utilize its time during initial meetings to draft its first "annual work plan" for review and approval by the Council. It is anticipated that department directors will be available during these initial meetings to answer questions of the Committee and clarify current and future plans to address climate change.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

Recommendations on how the City may address climate change would be made to the Mayor and Council, but any resulting policies and fiscal impacts will be at the discretion of the Legislative body during the biennial budgeting process with the Administration.

Alternatives

Options	Results
Accept the Climate Action Plan	The City will have a guiding document to help with climate initiatives.
Do not accept the Climate Action Plan	The City will not have a guiding document to help with climate initiatives.

Staff Recommendation

Accept the Climate Action Plan to help guide the City through climate initiatives.