

Los Altos Environmental Commission Accomplishments 2024

CORE WORKPLAN

Powers & Duties B: Review & provide recommendations for the implementation of the CAAP

CAAP Focus Area	Goal	Projects	Completion	Priority Source	Status	Assignment
Energy	Increase residential & commercial building energy efficiency Reduce light pollution, & protect wildlife	Dark Skies & Bird Safety Ordinance	Q1 2025 (Target)	CAAP Action 2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research & some public outreach done • Ordinance finalized per EC/staff discussions • Presented by staff to Council & Planning Commission • Working to align the Commissions on final ordinance 	Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Commissioners Hecht & Lu Sustainability coordinator
	Reduce GHG emissions from residential & commercial buildings	Accelerate Building Electrification	Q3 2024	CAAP Action 2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researched & developed recommendations to accelerate building electrification • Drafted recommendations presented by staff to Council • Budgeted to hire electrification partner for implementation 	Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Commissioners Delagneu, Teksler and Humayun
Transportation	Electrify transportation & reduce air pollution	EV Fair: Increase education & awareness of EV resources & incentive programs	Q2 2024	CAAP Action 1.4A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd Annual EV Fair held on 3/23/2024 - Included EV display, ebike test ride, 10 organization booths - Added building electrification resources • Developed partnership with local groups to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - reduce burden on City Staff - increase scope 	Commissioner Van Reis Sustainability coordinator
Resource Conservation	Reduce waste & increase landfill diversion	Single Use Plastics Ordinance: Eliminate non-essential single-use plastics	Q4 2024	CAAP Action 3.1B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research & public outreach done • Ordinance developed & presented to Council • Adopted 12/10/2024 	Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Commissioners Wieden & van Reis Sustainability coordinator

Powers & Duties D. Serve as a forum for community input & engagement

Community Outreach	Community outreach & education	Develop plan to increase engagement with Los Altos Residents	Q4 2024	Powers & Duties Item D	<p><u>Several proposals developed including:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assign liasons to key community groups to increase alignment & collect feedback on initiatives • EC to publish Town Crier articles & quarterly newsletters • Improve notification & signage for EC meetings • Increase engagement at council meetings & with staff 	Commissioner Hecht
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