

AB 6255 Exhibit 2 - Climate Action Plan Early Action Items

Item No.	Title	Description	FY 2023 Cost Estimate	FY 2024 Cost Estimate	Fund(s)	City Manager Recommendation	Staff Notes
CD1.2	Composting/ Recycling	Phase in new state mandates for residential and commercial recycling and composting, and enforce waste sorting by an identified year, especially for multifamily buildings and commercial properties where contamination is high.	\$25,000	\$25,000	ARPA Funds	Recommend	This item must be completed by July 2024 and will draw on existing partnerships (Recology, Chamber of Commerce, King County) to support waste diversion from landfills, particularly through renewed composting and recycling efforts at City facilities and multi-family/commercial properties.
NS2.5	Monitoring and maintenance baseline for all City open spaces	Complete an assessment of all City open spaces to establish a baseline for monitoring and maintenance phase.	\$5,000	\$65,000	ARPA Funds	Recommend	This item must be completed in order to pursue Natural Systems targets for restoration of open space land.
CC3.1	GHG tracking & reporting	Continue to maintain a publicly available online dashboard that tracks and reports on CAP and GHG reduction progress on an annual basis. Report to City Council and the community on progress annually.	\$15,000	\$15,000	ARPA Funds	Recommend	City is partnering with Eastside cities to work with Cascadia to do this analysis. Data for 2022 has been collected and will be sent to Cascadia in the coming months. City should continue tracking year-to-year GHG emissions as a metric set to determine GHG impact of city sustainability initiatives (such as fleet electrification, waste diversion, etc.)
TR1.6	Elimination of gas powered blowers	Phased elimination of gas-powered blowers from City operations	\$4,500	\$4,500	ARPA Funds	Recommend	Begin pilot program to test electric alternatives to gas blowers for all City operations. A key outcome from the pilot program will be a schedule to replace all gas-powered blowers with electric alternatives. Additional funding will be needed for the replacement of this equipment in future years.

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BE1.7	Green Power Program	Host education programs and conduct outreach events to encourage businesses and residents to enroll in the PSE Green Power Program. Partner with other neighboring communities served by the utility to advocate directly with PSE to expand renewable energy production that is local to Mercer Island.	\$12,000	\$12,000	ARPA Funds	Recommend	City's partnership with Green Power program and related outreach efforts are ongoing; this program matches up to 100% of participants' energy use with regionally harvested renewable energy. The program has low barriers to participation for individuals, and the City receives an annual report containing the data of our energy usage.
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