



CITY OF MILPITAS AGENDA REPORT (AR)

Item Title:	Approve the Milpitas Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission 2020 Work Plan
Category:	Community Services and Sustainable Infrastructure
Meeting Date:	1/7/2020
Staff Contact:	Elaine Marshall, Deputy Director of Public Works, 408-586-2603
Recommendation:	Approve the proposed Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission 2020 Work Plan

Background:

This Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission was established by the Milpitas City Council on October 8, 1991, originally as the Recycling and Source Reduction Advisory Commission (RSRAC). In 2018, the RSRAC was modernized and its scope expanded to form the Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission (EESC). The purpose of the EESC is to serve as an advisory body to the City Council on matters concerning energy, environmental sustainability, and climate action, as well as source reduction, recycling and household hazardous waste management. The EESC will advise the City Council on updates to the Climate Action Plan and receive periodic progress reports from staff on meeting climate action goals. The EESC will also assist with public education, outreach, and promotion of activities in order to stimulate the greatest possible participation in sustainability efforts.

At the December 18, 2019 Commission meeting, Commissioners discussed and voted to forward their 2020 Work Plan to City Council for final approval.

Analysis:

The Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission advisory area and Work Plan topics are in support and alignment with City Council Priority Area “Environment” and “Community Wellness and Open Space.”

Key proposed tasks are:

Education and outreach to the community on sustainability issues and practices:

- Planning for 2020 Earth Day Resource Fair
- Promoting Sustainability Events
- Planning for Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaign

Review and feedback on City plans and services:

- Guaranteed Energy and Water Savings Program for City Facilities including resiliency
- Bicycle, Trail, and Pedestrian Master Plan
- Recycling and Solid Waste Services

Advise and recommendations to City staff and Council on the following issues:

- Community Odor Monitoring Pilot Project and odor issues
- Recycling and solid waste services
- Silicon Valley Clean Energy and energy related issues

In addition to the tasks above, the Commission will also be involved in the upcoming update of the City's Climate Action Plan. Once a technical consultant is selected and approved by the City Council, the staff will work with the consultant to engage the Commission as part of the Climate Action Plan update effort including providing input on long-term goals, strategies selection, and community engagement.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no additional fiscal impact to the Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget associated with any of the items on the Work Plan.

Recommendation:

Approve the Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission 2020 Work Plan.

Attachment:

Draft Energy and Environmental Sustainability Commission Work Plan