

# **CITY OF TUALATIN**

## Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

**DATE:** October 14, 2024

### **SUBJECT:**

Consideration of the 2024-2026 Climate Action Plan Work Plan

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council approve the 2024-2026 Climate Action Plan Work Plan

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Community Climate Action Plan was adopted by the City Council on May 28, 2024 by resolution #5775-24. The adopted Climate Action Plan includes 4 sections, 7 focus areas, 28 strategies, and 146 actions oriented towards the goal of net zero emissions by 2050. In addition, as part of the 2024-25 budget process, the Council added \$125,000 to the budget as a placeholder for two actions: 1) hire a firm to facilitate prioritization and development of a 5-year implementation plan, and 2) hire a firm to analyze and provide options for a sustainable funding strategy.

After adoption of the Plan, the City Manager convened an interdepartmental work group tasked with becoming familiar with the Plan, understanding what actions are already in progress, and discussing what actions are realistic to take on as an organization. The group's mission was to put together a work plan that was opportunistic, included high impact actions (as defined by the Good Company's list of the Top 10 Priority Actions), and make meaningful progress towards the goal of net zero emissions by 2050.

The group ultimately recommended that a work plan could be developed without the help of an outside consultant, and that rather than a 5-year work plan, they are recommending a 2-year work plan.

## The Work Plan starts with two actions:

1) Conduct an analysis of options for sustainable funding for the climate action program with the outcome of funding for a staff resource/position to oversee and manage the program, and funding for the general program. This action is funded in the budget and we expect to have information to the City Council about these options in early 2025. 2) Following up on the analysis and presentation of options, implement a sustainable funding source for the climate action program including hiring a staff resource/position to oversee and manage the program.

Besides the two "sustainable funding" actions listed above, the recommended 2-year work plan (2024-2026) includes 33 actions, spanning 6 of the 7 focus areas, including both adaptation action and mitigation actions. In addition, the work plan includes 4 of the Top 10 Priority Actions (as identified by the Good Company).

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council approve the 2-year Climate Action Plan Work Plan.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Presentation