

Climate Change Advisory Committee

Annual Report and Workplan for 2024

Report on 2023 Activities

- Energy Transitions Initiative Partnership Project (ETIPP) – Supported staff and participated in multi-partner meetings related to technical assistance about energy resilience and vulnerability assessments for the Island.
- Community Heat Pump Installation Program - Supported the development of a community pilot heat pump program for the Island which addresses priorities related to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions stated by Council in the Climate Action Plan; with an emphasis on equity and income-qualification in the application process it also supports values of equity and inclusion.
- Worked with the staff and the Utility Advisory Committee to develop a Memorandum of Understanding with Puget Sound Energy concurrently with the City's Franchise Agreement.
- Proposed Climate Lens for Outreach Activities in Support of the Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review and Winslow Subarea Plan Update.
- Staffed Climate Smart booths at five (5) community events to support Climate Action Plan Implementation.
- Completed analysis and participated in development of Request for Proposals for solar projects by other public agencies to provide options for offset to the carbon emissions of the Ted Spearman Justice Center.
- Sponsored the Electric Vehicle Expo, held at Woodward Middle School on May 20th.
- Participated in Groundwater Management Plan development subcommittee with members of the Utility Advisory Committee and Environmental Technical Advisory Committee.
- Reviewed and provided comments on the draft and final Fehr and Peers sustainable transportation report.
- Recruitment and onboarding of new members.

2024 Workplan Priorities

- ETIPP - Continue participation in the ETIPP started in 2023 by reviewing final report and providing suggestions and support of next steps.
- Community Heat Pump Installation Program – Continue to provide support to the pilot hear pump program.
- Comprehensive Plan and Winslow Subarea Plan Support – Review and provide Committee feedback on draft plans, as requested by the Council and staff.
- Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers – Assist with gathering data, providing input on program development, and encouraging community participation.
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions Update – Respond to staff requests as needed to gather data; review draft inventory and public-facing educational materials.

- Support the Bainbridge Island Environmental Conference and Electrification Expo.
- Develop Dashboard that will foster transparency by developing clear, concise, and easy to use information that tells a story and enables the City Council, City Staff, and Community to evaluate the progress in meeting the goals of the Climate Action Plan.

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