2024 Work Plan for Environment and Energy Commission

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ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES/METRICS	TIMEFRAME	BUDGET	PROGRESS UPDATES
Advise on energy-related matters of concern The best methods of maintaining an environment beneficial to the Village	Oak Park Electric Shuttle	Collaborate with Disability Access Commission and Transportation Commission to evaluate feasibility of an Oak Park Electric Shuttle and other sustainable and accessible modes of transportation. Participate in a working group comprised of representatives from a variety of local taxing bodies and sustainability nonprofits to develop recommendations. Deliver recommendation to Board.	Q4 2024	\$750 for community outreach activities, including digital, print, and/or in-person communications	
Advise on energy-related matters of concern; Promote energy efficiency	Building Energy Policies	Propose ordinance to Board to electrify existing buildings during renovations. Coordinate with Building Code Advisory Commission on policy development. Receive staff update on benchmarking program progess and provide program improvement recommendations. Participate in cross-jurisdictional and collaborative groups as needed.	Q4 2024		

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Solid waste management- related matters generally	Community Waste Reduction Program	Propose updated waste rate ordinance. Perform outreach and focus groups, as well as case studies on communities similar to Oak Park. Publish survey on composting for community feedback. Collaborate with Public Works to help develop recommendations. Propose policy to achieve universal	Waste reductions proposals delivered to Board by August 2024	\$1000 for outreach, communications, in-person events, etc. to solicit community feedback	
		composting. Receive staff presentation on single-use bag ordinance. Collaborate with Disability Access Commission to recommend ordinance update as needed.			
The best methods of maintaining an environment beneficial to the Village	Biodiversity Program	Propose parkway planting ordinance recommendations to Board. Propose exterior lighting ordinance recommendations to Board.	Q4 2024		
Promotes energy efficiency a pollution-free environment in Oak Park recycling	Sustainability Awards (Green Awards)	Solicit, evaluate, and recommend award recipients. Participate in awards ceremony.	Q4 select awardees / Q1 awards ceremony		