

Rockville Environment Commission: FY2021 Work Plan Working Draft Development

Assigned and regular projects	Level of Effort outside meetings – High Med. Low	1st Qtr. Winter	2nd Qtr. Spring	3rd Qtr. Summer	4th Qtr. Fall	Agenda Time*	Meeting month (if known)	Lead and support**
REC work plan development		X	X	X	X		Jan	
Climate Action Plan (guidance, input, review, survey summary, strategy refinement, goals, implementation, resources, outreach)	Medium/High	X	X	X	X	15-30	Ongoing	All, CLAC support
Maryland legislation – clean cars act, community choice energy act	Low	X				20, 30	Jan, Feb	EC and CLAC support, All
Pesticide Ban – follow-up	Low/mostly completed	X				0-15	Feb	Scott, Will, ?
Sustainable Maryland Re-certification	High	X	X			20, 20, 20	Jan, Feb, Mar.	All
Coal Tar Ban	Low	X	X			30		Hande, Will
Solar Co-op Campaign	Medium/High		X	X		30	Mar.	All
Sustainable Maryland Green Team training	Medium		X			0-15	Mar.	All
Stream Clean-ups for Maryvale, REC adopted stream	Medium		X		X	20		Ted
Watershed restoration tour	Low					10		
Montgomery County Energy Summit	Medium		?		?	10		
Earth day outreach campaign (staff added)	Range		X			15	Feb?	
REC budget		X						

Environmental Excellence Awards (Unknown timing)	Medium		45		All

*Budget about 1 hour per meeting for issues other than regular report-outs and commissioner corner.

**Staff is supporting too.

Proposed issues and projects	Notes – what does this look like?	Notes on decision, timeframe
Low/Moderate Income EERE program Outreach (staff added)		
Watershed Planning Update (staff added)		
EV Co-op and potential outreach items to purchase with REC budget	outreach campaign	
Leaf blowers	white paper; consider recommendation	
Pandemic and sustainability policies		
Procurement policy		
Resilience, urban heat island		

Critical infrastructure

Parking

Bike/ped infrastructure

Net zero energy code white paper

Following other boards and commissions

Food choices

Stormwater plans

Other recent topics: composting, mosquito
spraying,

Unknowns: other M&C assignments or issues to
weigh in on

*Assigned or regular action included in work plan

REC Questions

1. How is the pandemic affecting climate change and what policies with lower pollution should continue?

2. City leaf blowers and performance of electric operated

Additional notes from Amanda:

Other Potential Floating Topics

- Helping with LMI retrofit program – COMING SOON
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion training (date/time TBD)
- Working with the county on bulb give-aways, other give-aways and campaigns
- Watershed restoration update
- RedGate – MONITOR
- 2040 Master Plan -- MONITOR
- City website remake (unknown timing)
- Recycling program (any changes on hold)
- Mosquitoes
- Composting program
- Mo. Co. legislation – following
- Building codes process

Other events

- Earth Day Outreach campaign in spring
- Montgomery County climate action events
- Montgomery County energy outreach and incentives

Unknowns:

- When we might move forward with Environment Excellence Awards
- Guidance from the Boards and Commissions Task Force
- How the Montgomery County Climate Action Plan might help with Rockville's efforts
- Other topics assigned by M&C in future
- Whether COVID-19 will continue to prevent in-person events and when we reach critical mass in vaccine distribution or control of spread to hold events and festivals
- How and whether COVID-19 will impact the city budget, facilities operations, and city programs.

- Other topics that the M&C assign to the REC

Questions

- Are there other topics, trainings or speakers that would help REC pursue its goals and projects?
 - MoCo energy summit next year
 - DEI training
 - Other

Current REC-initiated Programs and Initiatives

1. MD legislation recommendations
2. Environmental Excellence Awards
3. Earth Day outreach-related events, materials
4. Stream Clean-ups for Adopt-A-Stream, Maryvale
5. Solar Co-op outreach
6. Sustainable Maryland Re-Certification
7. Following Montgomery County environmental issues

Regular tasks

1. Budget priorities – city and REC
2. M&C Assignments
3. Outreach and education

Current Assignments

1. Climate Action Plan
2. Coal Tar Sealants
3. Pesticide Ban
4. Boards and Commissions Task Force

Completed tasks

- Parks Strategic Plan -- COMPLETE
- October stream clean up and tree giveaway -- COMPLETE

- Virtual County Energy Summit
- I270 EIS -- COMPLETE

Note: Virtual meetings until further notice due to COVID-19 pandemic.

July (9th) Agenda Items • Pesticides – recommended as is • Outreach Video • Work plan development Other Events, Projects • Video development • Solar Co-op outreach campaign	August (no meeting) • Additional Solar Co-op campaign • BCTF feedback	September (3) Agenda Items • Coal Tar and PAHs • Boards and Commissions Task Force recommendations -- submitted • I270 Comments Other Events, Projects • CAP survey outreach • CAP presentation at M&C – 21st
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October (1st) Possible Agenda Items • Pesticides Other Events, Projects • CAP Survey outreach • Add M&C report • Energy Awareness Month • Tree giveaway – 10th • Stream Clean up – 10th	November (5th) Possible Agenda Items • Climate action plan • Sustainable Maryland – Green Team Plan • 2021 meeting schedule Other Events, Projects • Montgomery County energy summit – 17-20th • Climate Action Open House Nov. 17 • H2O Summit -- 13	December (3rd) Possible Agenda Items • Coal tar – draft white paper • Sustainable Maryland • Work Plan • MD Legislation Other Events, Projects • Promote Environmental Excellence Awards – on hold for now • Holiday drive/energy materials • Stream Clean up – 5th • CLAC, EC assist with survey and 6 actions? • M&C Budget discussion Dec 14 • MoCo CAP out
January Possible Agenda Items • REC priorities for 2021-2023 • MD legislation • Sustainable Maryland Re-certification Events, Projects outside meeting time • Pesticides M&C presentation – 25th • MD Legislation research	February Possible agenda items • Water Program update from Heather(?) • Discuss REC budget • MD legislation • Spring outreach planning Events, Projects outside meeting time • MoCo CAP at M&C – Feb 8? • MD legislation follow-up if needed • MoCo CAP comments due - Feb 28 • Possible new guidelines from the Boards and Commissions Task Force	March Possible Agenda Items • Finalize REC budget • Chair election • Spring outreach planning Events, Projects outside meeting time • Rockville CAP work session • Sustainable Maryland training •

April Possible Agenda Items • Solar Co-Op outreach plan • Preliminary CAP findings Events, Projects outside meeting time • Review draft CAP • Stormwater tour • Earth Day proclamation at M&C meeting • Earth Month activities • Stream Clean-up	May Possible Agenda Items • Climate Action Plan comments • Finalizing Sustainable Maryland re-certification Events, Projects outside meeting time • Hometown Holidays (?)	June Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time
July Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time •	August (no meetings) Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time •	September Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time

October Possible Agenda Items • Climate Events, Projects outside meeting time •	November Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time •	December Possible Agenda Items Events, Projects outside meeting time
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