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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Services & Sustainability

ACM: Frank Dixon, Assistant City Manager

DATE: July 8, 2026

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and consider recommending approval of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Sustainability Framework Fund Workplan to the City Council.

BACKGROUND

During the May 27, 2026, Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee meeting, staff received feedback to develop the Sustainability Framework Fund Workplan for 2026-2027. The attached workplan includes projects totaling \$1,100,000, focusing on Air Quality, Transportation, Energy, Land Use, and Water. Staff will prioritize funding for ongoing energy efficiency programs and transportation/fuel-related emission reduction programs. The Committee inquired about allocating funds for staff to help support ongoing programs. Currently, staff recommends directing all available funding toward community-focused initiatives that improve home energy efficiency, reduce the cost of ownership, and lessen impacts on air quality and forward-facing municipal projects. This approach also supports the long-term sustainability goals of City operations by lowering maintenance needs and operational costs. Program funding amounts have been adjusted to more closely reflect current program performance. Staff will monitor programs and recommend adjustments throughout the year to ensure effective use of funding. The Sustainability Framework Fund is intended for funding sustainability initiatives and helps meet the goals listed in the Simply Sustainable Framework outlined below.

Goals of the Simply Sustainable Framework:

- Goal 1: Reduce the environmental footprint of municipal operations, assets, and facilities. Evaluate and improve City facilities to ensure they are resilient to hazards and vulnerabilities and can be a resource to the public.
- Goal 2: Provide outreach, incentives, and policies that encourage behavior change and support sustainability for the community. Reduce barriers that prevent the community from reducing their resource dependency on fossil fuels, water, energy, and waste.

Fiscal Year 2026-2027 - Sustainability Framework Fund Programs (Estimated \$1,100,000)

Air Quality and Transportation Focus Areas - \$675,000

Impacts Goal 1 and Goal 2 of Simply Sustainable Framework

- Electric Vehicle Rebate (\$125,000)
- Electric Bike Rebate (\$125,000)

- Electric Lawn Equipment Rebate (\$125,000)
- Electric Bike Voucher Pilot* (\$25,000)
- Electric Vehicle Fleet Support (\$50,000)
- Parks Electric Mowers (\$52,500)
- Air Quality Sensors Data & Maintenance (\$22,500)
- Bike Lane/Sidewalk Connections (\$150,000)

Energy Focus Area - (35 Homes, \$7,000 avg.) - \$245,000

Impacts Goal 2 of Simply Sustainable Framework

- Energy Efficiency Upgrades /Minor Home Repair*
 - Energy audits
 - Install/Increase insulation to meet or exceed GreenSense minimum R-Value
 - Improve building envelope
 - Increase efficiency of systems by meeting or exceeding GreenSense requirements

Land Use and Water Focus Areas - \$180,000

Impacts Goal 1 and Goal 2 of Simply Sustainable Framework

- Ecosystem protection, enhancement, and restoration
 - Privet removal and native replanting
 - Community gardens
 - Low Water Use Medians
 - Safe Routes to Schools support projects

**Indicates low-income focused program*

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Sustainability Framework Fund Workplan
3. Presentation

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