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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Services & Sustainability

ACM: Frank Dixon, Assistant City Manager

DATE: August 22, 2025

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on Sustainability Framework Fund 2024-2025 programs and 2025-2026 prioritization.

BACKGROUND

The Sustainability Framework Fund Workplan for 2024-2025 included projects totaling \$600,000. To date \$232,907 has been expended or encumbered for the identified projects.

Project	Funding	Expenditures	Notes
Water Conservation Incentives	\$50,000	\$0	Funded by DWU
Ecosystem Protection and	\$50,000	\$0	Postponed
Enhancement			
Electric Vehicle Rebate	\$150,000	\$72,000	Paid and pending as of 8/8/25
Electric Bike Rebate	\$100,000	\$37,981	Paid and pending as of 8/8/25
Air Quality Monitor O&M	\$25,000	\$8,878	Revised contract lowered per
			unit data cost
Electric Lawn Equipment Rebate Pilot	\$50,000	\$34,840	Paid and pending as of 8/8/25,
			Launched 5/29
Electric Vehicle City Fleet Support	\$175,000	\$0	Support not needed for 2024-
			2025 vehicle purchases
Electric Bikes PD (6)		\$31,168	
Fire Truck Charging		\$20,000	
EV Charging Mgmt.		\$22,680	
Parks Electric Mowers		\$52,500	Committed in procurement
Total	\$600,000	\$280,047	

In 2024-2025 two projects have had no expenditures: Water Conservation Incentives and Ecosystem Protection and Enhancement projects. Water Conservation Incentives were funded by Denton Water Utilities and Ecosystem Protection and Enhancement will be expended in Fall 2025. Electric Vehicle and Electric Bike Rebates will expend more than 50% of allotted funding through October, and the Electric Lawn Equipment Rebate Pilot may be depleted prior to October. City fleet electric vehicles were purchased by departments that did not need additional funding, leaving that support available to assist with Parks electric mowers, City EV charging management (ChargePoint chargers at City facilities), and Police electric bikes.

Funding for the Sustainability Framework Fund in the City Manager's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026 is proposed at \$1,050,150. Staff has developed the following programs for consideration for funding in 2025-2026. Staff is requesting committee feedback for prioritization of programs if the proposed funding is not realized.

Sustainability Framework Fund Proposed Programs 2025-2026 (\$1,100,000)

Transportation/Travel / Movement Focus Area - \$550,000

- Electric Vehicle Rebate (\$150,000)
- Electric Bike Rebate (\$100,0000)
- Electric Lawn Equipment Rebate (\$100,000)
- Parks Electric Mowers (\$52,500)
- Continue Air Quality Sensor O&M (\$7,500)
- Bike lane connections/ Sidewalk connections (\$140,000)

Building Focus Area \$350,000 - (Partner with 50 Homes up to \$7,000)

- Energy Efficiency Upgrade /Minor Home Repair Pilot (low-income)
 - o Energy Audit
 - o Install/Increase insulation to meet or exceed GreenSense R-Value
 - o Increase the efficiency of systems replaced to meet or exceed GreenSense SEER2 rating
 - Weatherization support

Land Use Focus Area \$200,000 (carryover from 2024-2025 Ongoing)

- Low Water Use Median projects
- Safe Routes to Schools shade projects (bike parking canopy, tree planting)
- Ecosystem Protection and Enhancement (privet removal and replanting)

Staff recommends the prioritization of three new programs and the continuation of existing programs.

New Programs (\$590,000)

- Energy Efficiency Upgrade/Minor Home Repair Pilot (\$350,000)
- Bike lane Connections and Sidewalk Connections (\$140,000)
- Ecosystem Protection and Enhancement (privet removal and replanting) (\$100,000)

Continue Existing Programs (\$410,000)

- Electric Vehicle Rebate (\$150,000)
- Electric Bike Rebate (\$100,0000)
- Electric Lawn Equipment Rebate (\$100,000)
- Parks Electric Mowers (\$52,500)
- Continue Air Quality Sensor O&M (\$7,500)

Staff is seeking Committee direction on the prioritization of proposed programs.

EXHIBITS

- 1. Agenda Information Sheet
- 2. Presentation

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