

LOW-COST SAB INITIATIVES

GENERAL

- (1) Incorporate questions about sustainability when hiring new city staff.
- (2) Encourage the use of the Sustainability Strategic Plan as a screen for City Council and city departmental decisions.
- (3) Share questions about sustainability with neighborhood associations for candidate forums.

ENERGY

- (4) Propose resolution to replace city furnaces and stoves that currently use natural gas with heat pumps and electric stoves when they are no longer serviceable. (Energy Goal 1, Strategy 4)
- (5) Propose resolution to replace current city-owned fossil-fuel powered vehicles with hybrid or EVs when they are no longer serviceable (Energy Goal 1, Strategy 3)
- (6) Propose resolution to replace fossil-fuel powered landscaping tools with electric tools when they are no longer serviceable.
- (7) Propose resolution that stipulates that new housing constructed in West Linn must be all electric – no methane (natural gas) (Energy Goal 2, Strategy 1)
- (8) Propose change of city code to stipulate that all new homes must have the capacity to charge EVs and that apartment parking spaces include charging stations.

NATURAL AREAS

- (9) Enact local ordinance requiring control of listed priority invasive species (Natural Goal 1, Areas Strategy 3)
- (10) Adopt local design criteria and associated codes that require proactive green infrastructure practices (rain gardens, permeable pavements, green roofs, infiltration planters, trees, and tree boxes, and rainwater harvesting systems) for new developments (Natural Areas Goal 2, Strategy 2)
- (11) Review existing restoration and management practices in parks and public natural areas and compare to state and regional best practices. Update as necessary. (Natural Areas Goal 3, Strategy 1)
- (12) Promote volunteer-supported restoration projects (invasive plant removal, tree planting, litter clean-up, plant native species along sensitive waterways). Natural Areas Goal 3, Strategy 1, Water Goal 1, Strategy 3, Water Goal 3, Strategy 2)

WATER

- (13) Encourage widespread use of rainwater harvesting (identify and disseminate best practices, publicly recognize community members and businesses that harvest rainwater. (Water Goal 1, Strategy 3)
- (14) Amend Comprehensive Plan and building codes to require onsite stormwater management where practicable. (Water Goal 2, Strategy 1)
- (15) Develop stormwater management code for new buildings. (Water Goal 2, Strategy 3)

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

- (16) Conduct an analysis and inventory of hazardous materials produced and used in West Linn in collaboration with Master Recyclers. Materials Management Goals 1, Strategy 1)
- (17) Amend building codes to reduce building materials used and increase the use of more sustainable products (e.g., low-carbon cement) for consideration. (Materials Management Goal 1, Strategy 2)
- (18) Conduct an audit of City purchasing and recommended areas for improvement,. (Materials Management Goal 2, Strategy 2)
- (19) Write and adopt a City environmentally preferable purchasing policy (Materials Management Goal 2, Strategy 2)
- (20) Organize a City-wide garage sale to help people part with unneeded goods (Materials Management Goal 2, Strategy 3)
- (21) Increase community sharing opportunities such as a tool library, kitchen library (Materials Management, Goal 2, Strategy 3)
- (22) Implement City-wide ban on products that are determined to be widely used and detrimental such as plastic bags and Styrofoam take-out containers (Materials Management Goal 2, Strategy 4)
- (23) Change contract with trash hauler to incorporate food scraps in yard debris. Determine added charge needed to do this. Develop public education campaign to persuade voters that this is something important to do. (Materials Management Goal 3, Strategy 1)

HEALTH AND FOOD

- (24) Establish a West Linn Garden Team that will work to convert available residential and commercial lots into community gardens throughout the city (Health & Food Goal 2, Strategy 1)
- (25) Conduct assessment of local food system with the aim of increasing access to local healthy food and nutrition education. (Health & Food Goal 2, Strategy 2)
- (26) Publish information and encourage residents to prepare emergency kits and plans at the neighborhood level (Health & Food, Goal 4, Strategy 1)
- (27) Identify public and private facilities that meet code stands to be used as shelters, electronic recharging stations, and command centers in the event of emergencies (Health & Food, Goal 4, Strategy 1)

COMMUNITY INCLUSION

- (28) Encourage voluntarism by compiling list of organizations that accept volunteers and reporting to the public on voluntarism annually (Community Inclusion Goal 1, Strategy 2)

Educational offerings drawn from Sustainability Strategic Plan

- (1) Incorporate energy conservation and renewable energy use into educational offerings (like having heat pump installer at Earth Day event) (Energy Goal 1, Strategy 2)
- (2) Incorporate information about conservation easements, forest reserves, land trusts, and open space zoning into educational offerings. (Natural Areas Goal 1, Strategy 1)
- (3) Incorporate natural resource protection into educational offerings. (Natural Areas Goal 3, Strategy 3)
- (4) Incorporate conservation into educational offerings including a stormwater landscaping tour of local businesses and residences that are managing stormwater on site. (Water Goal 2, Strategy 4)
- (5) Incorporate information about take-back programs (paint, fluorescent bulbs, e-waste), responsible disposal of hard-to-recycle items such as carpets and mattresses) into educational offerings. (Materials Management Goal 2, Strategy 5)