



Fairfax Green Initiatives Update

Update

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- Two Fairfax Green Initiatives (FGI) Board Matters
 - February 2019 FGI Board Matter #1
 - July 2020 FGI Board Matter #2
- Environmental and energy-related action items in Board Matters assigned to lead, coordinating agencies
- Quarterly updates provided through Implementation Matrix
- Latest version of matrix distributed June 2021

FGI #1 Agency Updates

Action Item	Lead Dept.	Update
2b. Consider building design and code changes to expedite energy saving practices.	LDS, Gov't Relations	As directed in an April 2021 Board Matter, LDS is seeking adoption of the IECC and energy provisions of the IRC into statewide building codes during the 2021 code development cycle and establishing a voluntary green builder recognition program in the county.
4a. Discuss accelerating goals/targets in the Operational Energy Strategy (OES).	OEEC, FMD, DVS, FCPA	Proposed updates to OES targets are being considered at the June 15 BOS EC.
4b. Report options to increase grant funding for climate and energy initiatives.	DEI, DPWES Gov't Relations	DPWES continues to receive remittances from grant-funded energy efficiency upgrades at the Noman Cole Plant. DPWES is also considering grant opportunities that may emerge from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.
5a. Charge the Tree Commission with recommending low-cost options, public-private partnerships to increase tree canopy.	DPWES, FCPA	DPWES has contracted with a nonprofit to work with residents to plant trees on private property, focused in areas near the Route 1 CRD.

FGI #2 Agency Updates

Action Item	Lead Dept.	Partners	Update
2a. 100% of eligible fleet vehicles scheduled for purchase in FY2021 shall be EVs and infrastructure needed can be supported in FY 2021.	DVS, FMD, OEEC	DMB, DPMM, FCPA, Gov't Relations	100% of eligible vehicles purchased in FY2021 were EVs; DVS recently received these 14 Nissan Leafs. DVS also recently ordered the charging stations for the Gov't Center, Herrity and Pennino Buildings, Public Safety HQ and Merrifield Center.
6b. Evaluate and report on strengthening the Comprehensive Plan policy regarding provisions for EV ready or EV infrastructure during the rezoning process in private parking facilities.	DPD	LDS	A new Zoning Ordinance was adopted in March 2021, permitting electric vehicle charging (EVC) as a new accessory use, with certain provisions. The ordinance allows EVC spaces to count toward minimum parking requirements, canopies for solar collection systems, and the inclusion of EVC infrastructure accessory to county facilities.
7b. Report on the feasibility of creating a Fairfax Green Bank.	DOF		A bill passed in the 2021 GA session, enabling localities to enact a green bank ordinance, was signed into law. Staff is presenting on the feasibility of a Fairfax Green Bank at the July 20 BOS EC.

Additional Information

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