

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND **Sustainability & Natural Resources** *NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING*
Committee

Monday, October 10, 2022

6:00 PM

McFarland Municipal Center
Community Room

AGENDA

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1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL.
2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.
 - a. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee. Please remember this is a virtual meeting conducted through the Zoom online meeting platform. Zoom meeting attendees wishing to address the Committee may do so using the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform. You may state your name, address, and provide your comments to the Committee for their consideration. Members of the public who are present in person and wish to address the Committee should fill out a public comment form and turn into the meeting chairperson. Members of the public may speak during public appearances or during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form. Please adhere to the 3-minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to sustainability@mcfarland.wi.us to be included as part of the meeting.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.
 - a. Discussion and action regarding the minutes from the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting on September 12, 2022.
4. BUSINESS.
 - a. Discussion on Draft Sustainability Action Plan for 2023-2024
 - b. Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding McDaniel Park water access and quality improvements.
 - c. Discussion and possible action to request funding for 2023-2024 from the Village Board.
5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.
 - a. Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:00 PM
6. ADJOURNMENT.

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Minutes
Sustainability & Natural Resources
Committee Meeting
September 12, 2022

Members Present: Mike Flaherty, Angela Freedman, Bruce Fischer, Judy Taber, Darrel Waldera

Members Absent: Ed Wreh, Kitty Brussock, David Wilson

Staff Present: Kong Thao, Sayer Larson, Phil McDade, Matt Schuenke

1. CALL TO ORDER

Flaherty called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. Fischer motioned to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, Sustainability & Natural Resource Committee meeting. Seconded by Freedman. Motion carried 5-0.

4. BUSINESS.

- a. Introductions from Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition, WLGCC

Dan Ebert, Consultant to the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition, provided a background on the activity and achievements of WLGCC. Ebert's discussion covered how local communities can leverage a collective approach on matters related to renewable energy, electric vehicles, and technical assistance as it relates to state level policies.

Flaherty affirmed the efforts of WLGCC and its sustainable initiatives. Further discussion and questions followed Ebert's discussion. Fischer raised the question if Ebert knows of any groups dedicated to the inclusion of biodiversity as it relates to sustainability. Ebert affirms this is a crucial factor to also consider when approaching sustainability. Freedman asked for additional examples. Ebert provided the details for WE Energies as the example. From collaboration of local leaders and government staff to bringing in experts to support implementation. The shared results were later presented and adopted by the utility company.

- b. Update and discussion regarding Lewis Park Lake Access plan

Larson provided the introduction for the agenda item related to the proposed improvements of a canoe launch and discovery dock at Lewis Park. Blake Theisen, Lead Architect and Planner from Parkitecture, provided a detailed walkthrough of Option 1 and Option 2 for the Lewis Park Lake Access Plan.

Option 1 includes a more direct route along a proposed 130' boardwalk to the Yahara River. Review of Lewis Park's entrance along Highland Drive could support additional parking. Grading out of the existing slope is included in Option 1. Option 2 looks at an underutilized location of the park's southeast corner, extending a pathway for additional parking coming off the corner of Lewis Lane and Marsh Woods Drive. A boardwalk, approximately 250' will continue southwest toward the Yahara River. This location makes use of the sand volleyball court and baseball field.

Both options will include an observation platform for educational purposes. Both options incorporated ADA accessibility from parking space to the proposed boardwalk. Theisen emphasized the parking space is a conceptual design, not exactly to scale. Flaherty commented on distance of commuting with a canoe. Larson commented on potential canoe/kayak storage areas that would mediate that concern. Flaherty raised the comparison of a similar launch point at Jaeger Park. Larson emphasized the educational component as an attractive benefit to the location along with the access point.

Waldera concurred with Option 2's approach of utilizing the location to increase activity. Fischer concurred and included this as an opportunity for birdwatchers. Freedman raised concern over increased paved surfaces Option 2 will include as well as runoff. Waldera affirmed the concern and the trade-off between more parking space for more activity but less greenspace. Continuing, Waldera added that the existing parking space at times experiences capacity issues. Matt Schuenke, Village Administrator, provided comments on the expected costs associated with the project.

- c. Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding amendments to the amplified sound ordinance.

Larson provided background and detail on the agenda item. Flaherty asked for further clarification and details concerning the action the committee will be taking. Larson added that this is a structuring of who manages the amplified noise requests on conservancy lands. Previously, requests for noise amplifications within conservancies was prohibited unless approved by the Parks and Recreational and Natural Resources Committee, a committee which no longer exists due to Village restructuring of committees.

Fischer motioned to recommend to the Village Board approval of changes to Chapter 20 and 44 regarding amendments to the Village Code ordinance on the use of amplified sound within conservancies. Seconded by Waldera. Motion carried 5-0.

- d. Discussion regarding McDaniel Park beach improvements and goose abatement methods.

Schuenke provided summary on the existing features of McDaniel Park covering the partnership with Dane County, the park's improvement, efforts to maintain cleanliness, and overall use of the park. The improvements will include a filtration system and underground piping to increase water quality. Schuenke commented the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan include funds to improve McDaniel Park. Cost projections will be at \$250,000 for the Village and \$75,000 to \$100,000 for Dane County.

Flaherty affirmed the project's direction and initiative. Fischer raised the question about parking capacity of the existing site and how success of the project will lead to additional parking concerns. Taber concurred with similar concerns. Schuenke commented on the recent update to McDaniel

Park which includes additional parking spaces. The park's Master Plan includes options for expansion, which may or may not include adjacent lots. Flaherty asked if other communities have done something similar and if they were successful. Schuenke referenced Goodland County Park, a county park across the lake near Christy's Landing, as a similar and successful project. Larson commented that overtime, through success of the systems, minimal testing at the site was needed due to how clean it made the area. Larson commented on the shallow depth of water to be approximately 2.5 feet until the drop-off several feet past the pier. Waldera affirmed the depth and commented on activities associated with shallow depths.

Flaherty asked about geese management. Taber asked about the dog silhouettes. Larson commented they lost one dog silhouette (Willy) in a previous storm. Larson provided a detailed summary of the Canada Goose Abatement Review. The review covered average number of geese on site in 2021 (about 140-150) and 2022 (about 80-90), the effect of Avian Migrate Treatment and its application process, and recommendations. Larson concluded the avian migrate treatment was ineffective, more activity in the park will lead to less geese, an auditory warning call was effective but may impact adjacent property owners.

- e. Update regarding conservancy management plan

Larson provided a summary of the agenda item. They completed a field tour at Grandview and Marshwood August 30th and September 6th. Each tour had about 6-7 attendees.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

- a. Monday, October 10, 2022, at 6:30 PM

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Freedman motioned to adjourn; Fischer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 PM.

**VILLAGE OF
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SUMMARY SHEET**

MEETING DATE: Monday, October 10, 2022

SECTION: Business

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

CONTACT: Kong Thao, Associate Planner

AGENDA ITEM: Discussion on Draft Sustainability Action Plan for 2023-2024

PREVIOUS ACTION:

May 9, 2022 - Staff introduced the Sustainability Plan and asked committee members to review and provide feedback on the plan.

June 13, 2022 - Staff led the discussion on the Village's Sustainability Plan and requested the committee identify several near-term items among the six focused categories to help establish a direction and a budget for 2023.

August 8, 2022 - Staff reported committee's feedback of priority items among the six focused categories.

ISSUE SUMMARY:

This item includes a draft plan on staff's proposed approach to the priority items provided by the Committee at the August 6, 2022 Sustainability and Natural Resources Committee Meeting. The draft action plan utilizes the Sustainability Plan's Appendix A section and its format to identify all Near-Term Actions. Staff's comments on those identified near-term action items include the latest update as well as proposed starting dates. A biannual report, utilizing this same format, will be provided to the Committee to discuss the progress of each near-term action item to determine if priorities should be shifted.

Currently, the three items listed that the Community & Economic Development Department is handling are:

1. No Mow May Ordinance Review - Due before May 2023
2. Solar Farm negotiation with Aliant Energy - Ongoing
3. Energy Audits for all municipal buildings - 2023

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

None.

VILLAGE PLAN REFERENCE:

Sustainability Plan - Village of McFarland, 2021

ORDINANCE REFERENCE:



None.

BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

This item is presented for discussion only.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2023-2024 Sustainability Action Plan (10.06.2022)
2. Outreach Schedule (10.06.2022)

Proposed Sustainability Plan Action Plan for 2023-2024

Updated: October 6, 2022

Energy Actions		Impact	Cost	Staff Effort	Duration	Status	Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions								
Conduct energy audits of all municipal facilities to identify potential energy efficiency improvements.		Medium	\$	Medium	6 mos - 1 yr	Not Begun	Public Works , C&ED	PW , S&NR
<i>Staff Comments: Funding for this project is included in the draft 2023 Capital Improvement Budget. Next steps after budget approval are to submit a grant application to PSC-OEI to supplement the budget. Application due in January 2023. After receiving notification of any grant funding (~April, 2023), staff can then move forward to develop an RFP and/or solicit qualified firms to complete this plan by year-end 2024 or summer of 2025.</i>								
Establish a policy requiring all major remodeling of municipal buildings and any new municipal buildings include energy efficiency measures.		Medium	\$	Low	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Administration/Public Works	PW
<i>Staff Comments: Based on prior input from S&NR committee this action item was not identified as a priority to complete in 2023. Staff/Committee can revisit for 2024 after audit is finished.</i>								
Replace stoplights with LEDs		Medium	\$	Low	Ongoing	In Progress	Public Works	PW
<i>Staff Comments: All stop lights within the Village are along USH 51 and owned by WisDOT. Staff can work with the WisDOT to advocate that these be replaced with LED fixtures when USH 51 is reconstructed in 2026 or 2028.</i>								
Replace streetlights with LEDs		Medium	\$	Low	Ongoing	In Progress	Public Works	PW
<i>Staff Comments: Most street lights within the Village are owned by Alliant and as they need replacement they are upgraded to LED. The municipal energy audit may present an opportunity to identify other Village owned lights/park lights and opportunities to upgrade to LED.</i>								
Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually distribute information on rebates and tax incentives for renewable energy and energy efficiency.		Low	\$	Low	Recurring	In Progress	Community Development/Communication & Technology	n/a
<i>Staff Comments: Ongoing activity. See separate Outreach Schedule</i>								
Work with energy providers to develop a community-scale solar energy installation and/or develop a program for leasing municipal rooftops for solar.		High	\$\$\$	High	1-3 yrs	Not Begun	Community Development/Public Works/Administration	CW/PW/PC
<i>Staff Comments: Village acquired an option to purchase 8-acres of land on the south side of the Wisconsin Power & Light substation (3451 Siggelkow Road) for a joint solar installation with the McFarland School District. Staff from the Village and School District are currently working with Alliant to develop a lease agreement with the goal of closing on the land in January of 2023. Planning, design, and zoning approvals to occur in 2023 with goal of having the installation built and operational in 2024. Funding for acquisition of the property is in the 2023 budget.</i>								

Transportation Actions			Impact	Cost	Staff Effort	Duration	Status	Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions									
Amend the parking ordinance to require bike parking for all new commercial and multifamily buildings.			Low	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Community Development	PC
<i>Staff Comments: This action item will likely be included in the Zoning Code update within the 2024 Capital Improvement Plan</i>									
Amend the parking ordinance to reduce minimum off-street parking requirement and/or add parking maximums for new development to limit excess pavement.			Medium	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Community Development	PC
<i>Staff Comments: This action item will likely be included in the Zoning Code update within the 2024 Capital Improvement Plan</i>									
Any proposal to add lanes to a two-lane roadway will be evaluated for a center turn lane, the preferred option over an expansion to four lanes.			High	\$	Medium	Ongoing	Not Begun	Public Works, Community Development	PW/PC
<i>Staff Comments: This item is relevant to new roadways and collector/arterial roads that require reconstruction. Related to this action, Staff will look to determine the most appropriate use and function of the roadway.</i>									
As municipal vehicles need replacement, evaluate the purchase of hybrid, electric or alternative fuel vehicles.			Medium	\$\$	Low	Ongoing	Not Begun, In Progress	Public Works/Police/Fire & Rescue/Community Development	PW/PS
<i>Staff Comments: The Police Department has already included a hybrid SUV and an electric vehicle to their fleet. Staff will continue to look at hybrid, electric and alternative fuel vehicles when the appropriate time to replace a vehicle occurs. S&NR committee may want to consider creation of a policy as part of any future work to develop a municipal policy on building renovations.</i>									
Work with Madison Metro to connect the Village to Metro transit services.			Medium	\$\$\$	High	6 mos - 1 yr	Not Begun, In Progress	Community Development/Administration/Public Works	CW/PC/PW
<i>Staff Comments: Initial conversations with Madison Metro Staff have already begun concerning transit services expansions. Due to funding commitments, likely this action item becomes a Mid-Term priority.</i>									
Develop more on- and off-road bike trails.			High	\$\$\$	High	3+ yrs	In Progress	Public Works/Community Development	PW/PK/PC
<i>Staff Comments: The updated East Side Neighborhood Plan will include proposed locations for new recreational trails as the Village continues to grow. Implementation will occur as new lands are developed or roadways are reconstructed.</i>									
Provide electric vehicle charging stations at municipal facilities.			Medium	\$\$	Medium	6 mos - 1 yr	Not Begun, In Progress	Public Works/Community Development	PW/S&NR
<i>Staff Comments: Staff have begun to gather information on electric vehicle charging stations throughout the Village. Staff anticipate this action item will be included in the renovations to the Municipal Center. The Public Safety Center will have designated electric vehicle ready charging station. The planned 2024 Zoning Code rewrite also provides an opportunity to address this.</i>									
Mid-Term Actions									
Collaborate with the school district to survey students about transportation choices and evaluate safe routes conditions at each school.			Low	\$\$	Medium	Recurring	Not Begun	School District/Community Development	n/a
<i>Staff Comments: Based on prior input from S&NR committee this action item was identified as a priority to complete in 2023. However, Staff have determined this action to be a recurring option and can be met when the opportunity presents itself. Should the school district desire other opportunities for collaboration, the Village is likely open to conversations.</i>									

Solid Waste Actions			Impact	Cost	Staff Effort	Duration	Status	Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions									
Create a municipal purchasing policy that requires consideration be given to whether a product is made from renewable and/or recycled materials.			Medium	\$	Low	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Administration	CW/FC
<i>Staff Comments: Based on prior input from S&NR committee, this action item was not identified as a priority to complete in 2023. Staff/Committee can revisit for 2024.</i>									
Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about recycling, backyard composting, product re-use and waste reduction.			Low	\$	Low	Recurring	Not Begun	Community Development/Communication & Technology	n/a
<i>Staff Comments: Ongoing activity. See separate Outreach Schedule</i>									
Facilitate a group buy program to offer compost bins to Village residents.			Low	\$	High	Recurring	Not Begun	Public Works	PW
<i>Staff Comments: Recommend using year 2023 to investigate options for public private partnerships with vendors that provide compost kits. Potentially inviting vendors to an S&NR committee meeting to provide information on how the Village could develop a group buy program to lower the price of entry for McFarland households. Possibly utilize Outlook Newsletter to provide information on existing programs or to survey resident interest in participating in a group buy program.</i>									
Mid-Term Actions									
Create a program to encourage and facilitate the practical reuse of waste from private and municipal construction projects.			Medium	\$\$	High	6 mos - 1 yr	Not Begun	Community Development/Public Works	PW/PC
Long-Term Actions									
Create a Village compost site for food waste.			Medium	\$\$	High	1-3 Years	Not Begun	Public Works	PW
<i>Staff Comments: Recommend using year 20XX to investigate options for public private partnerships with vendors that provide residential compost pick-up services. Potentially inviting vendors to an S&NR committee meeting to provide information on how the Village could develop a group buy program to lower the price of entry for McFarland households. Possibly utilize Outlook Newsletter to provide information on existing programs or to survey resident interest in participating in a group buy program.</i>									

Water Actions		Impact	Cost	Staff Effort	Duration	Status	Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions								
Exceed county and state minimum requirements for protection of green spaces that play a key role in water infiltration.		High	\$	Medium	Ongoing	Not Begun	Community Development	PC/PW
Staff Comments: Staff are currently working on updates to the Village stormwater management ordinance to bring in-line with recent county updates for approval in 2023.								
Purchase rain barrel kits and hold classes through Library or McFarland Recreation Activities & Play (MRAP) for residents to purchase the kits at a discount and make and decorate their own rain barrels		Low	\$	High	Recurring	Not Begun	MRAP/Library/Public Works, C&ED	PW , S&NR
Staff Comments: Recommend using year 2023 to investigate options for public private partnerships with vendors that provide rain barrel kits. Potentially inviting vendors to an S&NR committee meeting to provide information on how the Village could develop a group buy program to lower the price of entry for McFarland households. Possibly utilize Outlook Newsletter to provide information on existing programs or to survey resident interest in participating in a group buy program.								
Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about waterway health best practices for lawn care, landscaping and fall leaf management.		Low	\$	Low	Recurring	Not Begun	Community Development/Communication & Technology	n/a
Staff Comments: Ongoing activity. See separate Outreach Schedule								
Develop a program or work with existing agencies to assist residents with purchasing and installing low-flow water fixtures and replacing water softeners.		High	\$	High	6 mos - 1 yr	In Progress	Public Works/Administration	PU/FC/CW
Staff Comments: Recommend using year 2023 to investigate options for public private partnerships with vendors that provide residential services or specialty in installing low-flow water fixtures. Potentially inviting vendors to an S&NR committee meeting to provide information on how the Village could develop a group buy program to lower the price of entry for McFarland households. Possibly utilize Outlook Newsletter to provide information on existing programs or to survey resident interest in participating in a group buy program. Water softener replacement and evaluation has already been publicized.								
Minimize and find alternatives to the use of salt on low traffic roadways.		High	\$	Low	Ongoing	Not Begun, In Progress	Public Works	PW
Staff Comments: Public Works has purchased a 1000 gal. tank in Spring 2022 as an alternative method to snow removal in the Village. The tank is to be filled with a salt brine solution and sprayed over road surfaces before, during, and after snow weather events to maximize efficiency. This method is expected to significantly reduce overall salt usage by the Village.								
Evaluate the Subdivision Ordinance for reductions in required pavement width for new roads in new subdivisions to reduce the amount of impervious surface.		Medium	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Community Development	PC
Staff Comments: Pavement width recommendations for various road types will be addressed in the updated East Side Plan. Ordinance revisions to be consider as part of the Zoning Code rewrite project in 2024.								
Mid-Term Actions								
Installing low-flow water fixtures in municipal facilities.		Medium	\$\$	High	1-3 yrs	Not Begun	Public Works	PW
Staff Comments: Likely to be included in the draft 2023 Capital Improvement Budget. Will be incorporated with next steps after budget approval to develop an RFP and/or solicit qualified firms to complete this plan by year-end 2024 or summer of 2025. This will follow the completion of the Public Safety Center.								

Land Use & Development Actions							Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions								
Instead of grass lawns, utilize more native landscaping on municipal properties that are not used for recreation purposes.		Medium	\$	Low	Ongoing	Not Begun	Parks/Public Works	PK/PW
Staff Comments: Staff will review action for this near-term item for the upcoming 2023 and determine if action can be completed in 2023 or if action should be taken in 2024.								
Require native landscaping in buffer areas around surface water and wetlands on both public and private property to protect water quality.		High	\$	Low	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Community Development	PC
Staff Comments: This will be considered on a case-by-case basis as public or private development projects are brought forward. The 2023 stormwater ordinance update, and East Side Plan update, provide an additional opportunity to address this through policy updates.								
Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about native landscaping.		Low	\$	Low	Recurring	Not Begun	Community Development/Communication & Technology	n/a
Staff Comments: Ongoing activity. See separate Outreach Schedule								
Amend Village ordinances to allow for a no-mow May.		Low	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun, In Progress	Community Development	PC/S&NR
Staff Comments: Initial research has begun (8.2022) on this action with anticipated completion by Spring of 2024. Funding is proposed in the 2023 budget for participant yard signs.								
Identify streets lacking trees and develop a plan to plant trees.		Medium	\$\$		6 mos - 1 yr	Not Begun, In Progress	Public Works	PW
Staff Comments: With the completion of the Tree Inventory as discussed at the Sustainability & Natural Resources Committee meeting, PW has a planned approach to tree plantings.								
Mid-Term Actions								
Amend the zoning ordinances to allow for more housing options, including accessory dwelling units and attached unit housing.		Medium	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun, In Progress	Community Development	PC
Staff Comments: Staff have begun initial research on an ordinance amendment in 2023 to addresses accessory buildings/structures, including ADU's. Additional use regulation amendments to be considered as part of the Zoning Code Update in 2024.								

Community Health Actions			Impact	Cost	Staff Effort	Duration	Status	Responsible Person or Department	Responsible Committee or Commission
Near-Term Actions									
Adopt a Health and Equity in All Policies resolution.			Medium	\$	Low	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Community Development	CW
<i>Staff Comments: Based on prior input from S&NR committee, this action item was not identified as a priority to complete in 2023. Staff/Committee can revisit for 2024.</i>									
Add additional community service days.			Low	\$	Medium	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Senior Outreach/Parks/Community Development/Library	PK/S&NR
<i>Staff Comments: Staff intends to begin conversations on this action item in 2023 to determine additional department's involvement related to this event. Suggestions to include the Library, the school district, Parks, and Community Development.</i>									
Build a multi-generational community center.			Medium	\$\$\$	High	1-3 yrs	Not Begun, In Progress	Administration	CW
<i>Staff Comments: A study on how the Municipal Center can be renovated to include a Community Center is currently in progress. Funding and timing of implementation TBD based on study recommendations. Study to be completed in 2023.</i>									
Require tobacco-free and e-cigarette free on all municipal properties, including parks.			Low	\$	Low	3-6 mos	Not Begun	Public Works/Community Development	PK/S&NR
<i>Staff Comments: Based on prior input from S&NR committee, this action item was not identified as a priority to complete in 2023. Staff/Committee can revisit for 2024.</i>									
Mid-Term Actions									
Incorporate community health and wellness considerations when updating existing plans.			Medium	\$	Low	Ongoing	Not Begun, In Progress	Community Development	PC
<i>Staff Comments: Consideration for this action has been included in the Economic Strategy Plan for the East Side Neighborhood Plan Update, 2022. Staff are working with the consultant MSA to incorporate improvements to Quality of Life which include recreational opportunities, parks, sidewalks, bike trails, etc.</i>									

Outreach Schedule covering topics related to the six categories of actions

10.06.2022

Energy Actions: *Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually distribute information on rebates and tax incentives for renewable energy and energy efficiency.*

Transportation (Mid-Term) Action: *Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents of existing ridesharing programs.*

Solid Waste Action: *Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about recycling, backyard composting, product re-use and waste reduction.*

Water Actions: *Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about waterway health best practices for lawn care, landscaping and fall leaf management.*

Land Use & Development Actions: *Utilize the Outlook Newsletter, or other forms of print and social media, to annually inform residents about native landscaping.*

Outlook Article Publications

Category of Action	Published on...	Summary of Articles
Energy	2.2021	Climate Champions for new Net Zero Public Safety Center; Solar Group Buy Program; Green Tier Legacy Communities & Sustain Dane
Energy	5.2021	Solar Group Buy Program, Public Works Solar Tracking, Net Zero Public Safety Center
Energy	9.2021	Public Work's Solar Panel Tracking, Solar Group Buy Program, Net Zero Public Safety Center
Energy	5.2022	Solar Group Buy Program
Energy	8.2022	Solar Group Buy
Transportation	9.2021	Ridesharing Resources, E-Bike (BCycle)
Solid Waste	5.2021	Includes article about Salt Saver Program,
Solid Waste	9.2021	Hanging Limbs and Fall Lawn Reminders
Solid Waste	9.2021	E-Cycle (disposal of unused electronics)
Solid Waste	9.2022	Tree Pick Up (Holiday Trees), Leaf and Grass Clipping
Water	5.2022	Adopt-a-Storm Drain, Salt Saver Program (Pilot)
Water	9.2022	Salt Brine for Snow Removal, Plastic Bag Dropoff
Land Use & Dev.	2.2021	Do I Need a Building Permit?
Land Use & Dev.	5.2021	Noxious weeds; yard waste management (grass clippings, weeds, etc.), best practices on tree removal, Landscaping and Vision Triangle and Corner Lots
Land Use & Dev.	5.2022	Noxious Weeds, Yard & Property Maintenance Reminders, Landscaping and Vision Triangle and Corner Lots
Land Use & Dev.	9.2022	Terrace Areas, Hanging Limbs and Fall Lawn

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SUMMARY SHEET**

MEETING DATE: Monday, October 10, 2022

SECTION: Business

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

CONTACT: Sayer Larson, Parks Superintendent, Matt Schuenke, Village Administrator

AGENDA ITEM: Discussion and action to make a recommendation to the Village Board regarding McDaniel Park water access and quality improvements.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

The former Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee reviewed a presentation on this project at its meeting on February 24, 2022.

[Please click on this link to review the packet materials from that meeting.](#)

[Please click on this link to watch the presentation from that meeting.](#)

The Parks and Recreation Committee reviewed the project again at its meeting on September 6, 2022.

The Sustainability and Natural Resources Committee reviewed the project at its meeting on September 12, 2022.

The Parks and Recreation Committee recommended approval to the Village Board regarding McDaniel Park water access and quality improvements and to consider operational impacts moving forward at their meeting on October 4, 2022.

ISSUE SUMMARY:

Beach Improvements

The 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan included funds to improve the beach at McDaniel Park in 2023. These funds are scheduled to be included for consideration within the budget process to begin this Fall. The project is in partnership with Dane County and requires planning, discussion ahead of time on its parameters before we can proceed. Dane County also needs an indication late this Fall if we are proceeding with this work or not so they can align their elements as well. The goal of the project is to be operational on or around June 1, 2023.

The project was reintroduced to the Committee at the meeting in September following a presentation on the project from February of this year. The objective of the next meeting is to consider action on the project and whether or not we wish to further pursue this project.

Responsibilities for the project are generally laid out as follows:

Dane County



Permitting - 3-6 month process, targeting a January application.

Pump/Filter - They will design and build the pump/filter mechanicals to be used to screen the water within the barrier.

Barrier - They will purchase and set in the first year the booms with curtain that acts as a shield within the water to keep debris and other harmful things out of the swimming area. Future years we will need to contract with them for the annual placement and removal of the barrier.

Agreement - We will need to establish an agreement on operation of the filter/pump and maintenance of the swimming area including the beach. There are responsibilities likely daily on maintaining the beach, mechanicals, and other elements to keep the swimming area usable. The County will provide funds and support for these elements, but we have to agree to the operational commitments to make sure the improvement can be accessed by the public. The operational component and its costs would be new responsibilities that have to be factored into our consideration.

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Structure - The filter/pump has to go inside of a structure. The Engineer is reviewing a prefabricated concrete model for installation. We will also need to create an area for discharge from the structure that works the water back to the lake.

Underground Piping - We would need to install pipes that connect the lake to the filter pump to bring water in for screening, and then pipes that bring the clean water back to the lake.

Beach Improvement - There will be general excavation requirements associated with all of this work including the replacement of the gravel material used on the beach in favor of sand.

Agreement - We will need to consider the agreement with Dane County for the project.

All of the above responsibilities are capital expenditures that are one time actions. There are operational components and the costs for which will be recurring year to year that have to be factored in to our review of the project.

Some pros and cons to consider with this project:

Pros

- Improved Water Quality
- Better Lake Access
- Recreational Opportunity
- Beach Transition to Sand

Cons

- Increased Operational Costs
- Ongoing Maintenance
- Limited Water Depth



- Geese Management

Meeting plan is to further discuss the project in order to formulate a recommendation to the Village Board. If accepted by the Village Board, the project will begin its process for implementation with Dane County as listed above.

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

The cost projections for the project are including the CIP at \$250,000 for the Village. Dane County's included costs are between \$75,000-\$100,000 for their responsible items. The project for the Village will be paid for with borrowed money if approved as presented.

VILLAGE PLAN REFERENCE:

None.

ORDINANCE REFERENCE:

None.

BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The 2023 Budget and 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan includes capital costs to advance the project as listed within the packet. Strictly from that perspective, we are prepared financially to move the project forward for construction and would be recommended to proceed on that basis.

The operational costs should be considered also though as the 2023 Budget is presently proposed to address existing responsibilities within the park system without regard for this work...presently. If it is desired to move forward, then the recommendation to the Village Board could include that they further consider the operational aspects of this with their review of the 2023 Budget which will conclude in November.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. MCDANIEL PARK BEACH- option 2-PLAN

PRELIMINARY

NEW 15'X15'
CONC. PAD

NEW 10'X10'
PREFABRICATED BUILDING

90 L.F. NEW
ELECTRIC SUPPLY

65 L.F. NEW 2" PVC
RETURN LINE

150 L.F. NEW 2" PVC
RETURN LINE

100 L.F. NEW 2" PVC
SUPPLY LINE

NEW BARRIER

APPROX. 9500 SQ. FT.
SWIMMING AREA

EX. BEACH
AREA

N

EX. PAVILLION

EX. BEACH
AREA

EX. BLOCK
WALL (TYP.)

WATER LINE AT
ELEV= 844.80

CURRENT LAKE LEVEL= 844.5
SUMMER MAX= 845.00
SUMMER MIN= 844.50

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MCDANIEL PARK
BEACH FILTRATION SYSTEM

MCDANIEL PARK IMPROVEMENTS
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B.R.B.
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McFarland
SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: Monday, October 10, 2022

SECTION: Business

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

CONTACT: Kong Thao, Associate Planner

AGENDA ITEM: Discussion and possible action to request funding for 2023-2024 from the Village Board.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

ISSUE SUMMARY:

This item is for discussion and possible action regarding the Sustainability and Natural Resource Committee's requests for funding to the Village Board for the 2023-2024 year. Chair Flaherty would like to finalize discussion over future items and actions that may require funding.

Items from that may require funding:

- No Mow May Yard Signs
- Continuation of the TerraCycle Recycling Program

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

VILLAGE PLAN REFERENCE:

Sustainability Plan, 2021

ORDINANCE REFERENCE:

BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to request funding for 2023-2024 from the Village Board in the amount of \$XXXX.XX.

ATTACHMENTS:

None