

2021 ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA **

ENERGY AUDITS

Municipal Audit

1. Continue to monitor Township pursuit of Clean Energy grant funding for an energy audit of all Township properties (Clean Energy contact: Tony O'Donnell, 732-259-4938; AODonnell@trccompanies.com)

Individual Resident Audits

1. In furtherance of resolution adopted at February, 2020 EC meeting, continue to seek ways to inform residents of Clean Energy residential energy audit program (homeowner mailings, partnership with home performance contractor, etc.)

Business and Commercial Assessments

1. Canvass Township business and commercial establishments concerning benefits of Clean Energy Direct Install energy efficiency program

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

Recycling

1. Reestablish school recycling poster contest
3. Investigate possible summer curbside recycling inspection/tagging program (local high school, college volunteers, possible NJ Watershed Ambassador Program (Americorp) grant with NJDEP training — contact Kerry Kirk Pflugh, 609-633-7700, Kerry.Pflugh@dep.nj.gov)

Outreach

1. Social media — work with Township IT expert on creation of EC social media presence (Facebook Twitter, Instagram); also consider Nextdoor outreach platform
2. EC-hosted summer environmental film night
3. Pursue projects of environmental interest with area students

4. Encourage expansion of EC e-mail address list and provide relevant ongoing content
5. Consider possible EC-sponsored Arbor Day, Earth Day events

COMMUNITY SOLAR

1. Explore possible future project funding sources
2. Identify Township properties, counterparties

ENERGY AGGREGATION

1. Prepare recommendation for best available energy aggregation alternative for Township to pursue
2. Work with Township Committee to convene a special meeting to explain energy aggregation to Township residents
3. Work with Township Committee to pursue adoption of Township energy aggregation ordinance, retain energy aggregation consultant

TREES, INVASIVE SPECIES

Tree Ordinance

1. Prepare final-form proposed tree ordinance for recommendation to the Township Committee

Invasive Species

1. Create 2021 invasive species goals and objectives

Insecticides

1. Determine “safe fields” relevance to Township properties

COMPOSTING

1. Continue to seek to implement community composting in cooperation with Township DPW

2. Continue to seek to encourage individual resident composting with Township, Including cooperative programs with neighboring ECs

TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN

1. Work with Environmental Standing Committee to pursue preparation of environmental, green infrastructure elements for Township Master Plan
2. Identify funding sources for preparation of environmental, green infrastructure elements for Township Master Plan

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS

1. EC members to continue to pursue training opportunities regarding conduct of environmental reviews
2. Organize an EC-sponsored in-depth environmental review training seminar for EC members and members of ECs in neighboring municipalities
3. Continue to standardize environmental review process, to extent possible, including “bully pulpit” comments on climate change mitigation measures

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

1. Consider enhancement of Township green infrastructure stormwater ordinance to extend application to smaller projects
2. Conduct Township property green infrastructure audit and consider pursuing one or more recommended projects on a demonstration basis
3. Investigate viability of forming a stormwater utility on either a stand-alone or multi-town basis

REGIONAL COOPERATION

1. Participate in Northern Jersey Sustainable Municipal Alliance subcommittees on energy aggregation, green building, regional climate action strategy, stormwater utilities and green transportation
2. Cultivate cooperative relationships with other ECs

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

1. EC Members to continue to participate in environmental-related webinars and other training opportunities

**** All of the above action items are subject to any limitations or restrictions as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic**