

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2022

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.2 2021 General Plan Progress Report

RECOMMENDATION

Review and recommend that the City Council accept the 2021 General Plan Annual Progress Report (Exhibit 1 to the EPC Staff Report).

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) agenda is advertised on Channel 26, and the agenda and this staff report appear on the City's website.

BACKGROUND

General Plan Action Plan

In 2012, the City Council adopted the 2030 General Plan and the related General Plan Action Plan. The 2030 General Plan Action Plan is a list of action items that carry out the General Plan's goals and policies. These action items include programs, plans, studies, ordinance updates, and other measures. The EPC is responsible for the annual review of the General Plan Action Plan and for monitoring the progress the City is making in implementing the General Plan.

Pursuant to State law, the General Plan Action Plan must be presented to the City Council and forwarded on to the California Office of Planning and Research as an Annual Progress Report. Following the EPC's review of the General Plan Annual Progress Report, staff will forward the report to Council and the California Office of Planning and Research.

ANALYSIS

The EPC is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the General Plan, which may include review and prioritization of the General Plan actions that the City has not yet started.

Staff has provided three tables of General Plan action items for the EPC's review. Table 1 includes items which have not started, are currently in progress, or were completed during 2021 (Attachment A to Exhibit 2). Table 2 includes items that were completed prior to 2021 (Attachment B to Exhibit 2). Table 3 includes items which are achieved through day-to-day operations, practices, and policies (Attachment C to Exhibit 2).

Last year, the EPC reviewed the status of numerous General Plan action items. The EPC requested additional clarification on the status of previously identified priority items and did not identify new priority action items. The EPC unanimously recommended that the City Council accept the annual progress report with minor modifications to accurately reflect the completed status of one action item.

Update on General Plan Implementation Progress

Since last year's 2020 General Plan action item update, several items have been completed and/or reclassified as ongoing practices:

- Adoption of new park land dedication standards to allow publicly accessible, privately owned park land with developments (POS 1.2.1—Update Zoning Ordinance open space requirements).
- Creation of the [North Bayshore District Sustainability Performance](#) Monitoring webpage.
- Conversion of City streetlights and parking lot lights to LEDs (INC 13.1.2—Efficient City infrastructure—Reclassified to “Ongoing”).
- Tracking of building permits finalized for renewable energy projects (INC 14.1.1—Track new renewable energy installations—Reclassified to “Ongoing”).

General Plan Action Plan and Council Goal-Setting

The 2020 General Plan Action Plan report happened concurrently with the EPC's recommendations on the City Council's Strategic Roadmap. In future years, when Council goals are updated, the EPC's review of General Plan Action Plan will again align with the EPC's review of Council goals. This will allow the EPC to make recommendations on the addition, deletion, and reprioritization of General Plan Action Items in the context of the City Council's goal-setting process.

As the Council Strategic Roadmap was adopted in 2021, Council is not currently undertaking a goal-setting process. At this time, staff is seeking an EPC recommendation to Council on the acceptance of the Annual Progress Report.

CONCLUSION

Staff recommends the EPC recommend that Council accept the 2021 General Plan Annual Progress Report.

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Exhibit: 1. Draft 2021 General Plan Annual Progress Report