This document provides a high-level overview of the near-term implementation approach and implementation activities for the 2020 Environmental Sustainability Action Plan (ESAP).

Overview

The ESAP was adopted in September 2020 and included a list of proposed near-term actions the City would undertake during the 2021-2022 Budget, with a commitment to update the action list upon adoption of the 2021-2022 Budget. Staff are currently evaluating and updating that list of actions, taking into consideration the following elements:

- ESAP Foundational Actions and Climate Emergency Declaration
- 2021-2022 Budget and staff capacity
- Partnership Opportunities

Given these considerations, the following table provides a summary of 2021-2022 implementation priorities and will inform a more detailed 2021-2022 Implementation Strategy.

2021-2022 Environmental Sustainability Strategic Priorities Summary

Vision: A Redmond that creates a healthy, sustainable environment for all generations and conserves our natural resources, affords a high quality of life, and draws from scientific evidence-based data.

2021-2022 Goal: Redmond establishes strong foundational programming and makes measurable progress towards its adopted climate and sustainability goals.

Objectives			
Sustainability Programming	City Operations	Additional Priorities	Partnerships & Communication
- initiative in progress Key Initiatives			
Form interdepartmental Sustainability Team (complete)	Develop and implement internal City policies including green purchasing policy, integrated pest management, green fleet, and green building *supports Climate Emergency Declaration	Develop green building policy aligned with the Code ReWrite and Comp Plan update * supports 21/22 budget and Climate Emergency Declaration	Continue and create new community education and engagement opportunities around climate and sustainability
Develop, recruit, and launch external Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee	Develop a carbon neutrality plan for City operations *supports Climate Emergency Declaration	Complete climate and equity vulnerability assessment *supports 21/22 budget and Climate Emergency Declaration	Partner with other organizations and agencies to bring additional resources to the Redmond community
Develop a sustainability data dashboard *supports 21/22 budget	Complete tree planting on City property *supports 21/22 budget	Develop construction and demolition recycling policy *supports 21/22 budget	Expand social media communications as it relates to climate and sustainability topics
Complete annual reporting, including GHG inventory update in 2021 *supports Climate Emergency Declaration	Continue participation in Puget Sound Energy's Green Direct Program *supports Climate Emergency Declaration	Continue ongoing climate and sustainability actions	Complete website update as it relates to climate and sustainability topics

2021-2022 Implementation Strategy

The 2021-2022 Implementation Strategy is currently in development and will provide an action-by-action overview of ESAP implementation efforts for the 2021-2022 Budget. The Strategy will be presented to Council this summer for approval. Moving forward, the implementation strategy document will be updated every 2 years, in advance of the budgeting process. This will give Council the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed priorities and allow staff to proactively integrate ESAP priority actions into the budget to better align resources with anticipated ESAP progress/action.

Next Steps

Specific projects will continue to move forward to advance the ESAP goals. Key overarching ESAP milestones include:

- February 23, 2021 Data Dashboard Council Study Session
- Q3 2021 2021-2022 ESAP Implementation Strategy to Council
- Q3 2021 Municipal Carbon Neutrality Strategy Council Study Session
- Q4 2021 2020 ESAP Annual Report