

Mount Rainier Green Team Agenda
August 12, 2015 6:30PM
City Hall

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1. Overview of the Municipal Carbon Footprint completed by UMD
2. Identification of actions/next steps

Meeting Minutes

A subgroup of the Green Team met with Nick and Mike from Sustainable Maryland to discuss the Municipal Carbon Footprint project. Nick assisted the students that have since graduated by completing the analysis and developing recommendations. Nick presented his findings to the group.

Feedback included:

- If possible, incorporate the Climate Plan Data from 2000 as a comparison. Also, City officials always like to know how we compare to other like-sized municipalities. Are we doing good, bad, ok?
- Make recommendations a little clearer by numbering and providing headings. Format so more distinct.
- Include recycling as a separate recommendation to help decrease carbon and our waste footprint. There was some discussion about how this could help the Green Team make a case to the City Council to fund bigger rolling carts for the City.
- MaryLee and Bill have seen compostable waste percentages higher than 14%. Bill will provide a citation for what he thought was 20-30% of solid waste.
- Incorporate information of what the City is already doing on composting via the City's Backyard Composting Program and the soon to be purchased Electric Vehicle for code enforcement.

Nick is ending his fellowship on Friday 8/21 so any edits will need to be sent to him asap. Nick will send us a revised version for quick review. In addition Mike said he would send us the ICLEI log-in information and the contact about Pepco street light purchasing from the Maryland Municipal League conference.

Likely next steps is that the report is received and presented to the City Council this fall.