

Sustainability Update: July 2018

Adaptation

- Hazard Mitigation Applications (12): Project list to City Commission 7/3. Application deadline: July 30 to County. Aug 6 to State.
- CDBG Grant. Assessing potential of prefab “tiny houses” as accessory units to alleviate affordable housing issues and meet greenhouse reduction goals. Working with local chapter of USGBC to host webinars on green affordable housing.
- Working with County & FIRM to organize a local govt LDR workshop in early Oct.
- Working with FIRM on CRS Webinars & newly announced CBS raising.
- Attended annual planning meeting of Southeast Florida Climate Change Compact. New workshops will be Stormwater, Emergency Management & Procurement. The 10 Year Anniversary Summit will be in October. Group plans to set a regional mitigation goal.

NEA Grant

- RFP Posted 5/12, 5 Bids opened 6/20. Selection Mtg scheduled for July 3rd, 1pm.
- Collaborating with Miami Beach on EcoArt Green Infrastructure workshop & local USGBC chapter for Green Infrastructure webinar.

Sustainability Board

- Monica Haskell presented 2017 Sustainability Report and 2018 Priorities to City Commission on 6/5. FY18/19 Priorities emailed to City Management. SAB to talk to their Commissioners separately.
- Reduce Waste Stream: City Commission tasked SAB to shepherd Solid Waste Master Plan. Met with Kaufman, Haskell and Dee Dee Green on 6/26: Dee Dee will report to SAB, and include action item of reducing single use plastic on public lands. Receiving donation of giant composter as pilot project, Friday July 6th. Sunday commercial recycling postponed.
- Less Cars on Road (see Transportation)
- Obtain Gold FGBC Green Government Certification: Postponed to FY19/20.
*Solid Waste Master Plan also calls for Green Govt certification.
- Reduce Energy Use: Turned over Portfolio Manager program to Energy Manager. Led update of Built Environment Section of Monroe County’s Climate Action Plan.
- Greenhouse Gases – on hold until after HMGP applications complete.
- Leaf Blowers: Radio Show: 6/4. Dakin Weekley assessing public support via local “Ban the Blower” facebook page.
- Next SAB Meeting: Monday, Sept 17th 3:30pm.

Green Business

- Creating own Green Certification website with County. Meeting with County over design. Utilizing intern.
- Next Green Drinks meeting 7/18 – Straw Testing? Future meeting: Green To Go options.

Transportation

- Hosted Transportation Workshop with South Florida Commuter Services.
- Working on Commuter App pilot with Monroe County.
- Local Coordinating Board (6/22) is creating planning team to improve Lower Keys Shuttle Service through the Marathon area, which should reduce overall travel time.
- Assisted with forecasting parking revenue for TAF and associated funds for remainder of FY17/18 as well as FY18/19. Represented TAF budget to City management.
- Led update of Transportation Section of Monroe County’s Climate Action Plan
- Bike Ped Master Plan: Waiting on draft. Bike Ped Grantor coming early August.

Other:

- Submitted policy suggestions to Tree Commission Workshop (6/28).
- Assisting with Urban Forestry Grant, Part 2: Canopy Cover update: Only lost 7% Canopy post Irma!