

CITY OF FLORENCE
Environmental Management Advisory Committee

**Recommendation to the City Council to Approve the
2021-2023 (Year One) Environmental Management Advisory Committee Work Plan**

1. The Florence City Council adopted the City of Florence Committee & Commission Policy Manual (Manual) on November 5, 2018 via Resolution No. 21, Series 2018.
2. Chapter 7 of the Manual sets the Commissions' role in goal setting and work plan creation, including requirements that all permanent standing commissions and committees, except for the Budget Committee, are charged with developing:
 - a. An annual work plan for their committee for the upcoming year
3. In addition, Chapter 7 of the Manual indicates the following:
 - a. Committee / Commission work plans must be consistent, relevant, and supportive to the Council's goals.
 - b. Committee / Commission work plans shall be presented to the City Manager and City Council for approval at a Council meeting in the Spring of each year. This action will generally occur on a Council meeting consent agenda.
4. On April 19, 2021, the Florence City Council adopted Resolution No. 14, Series 2021, a resolution reaffirming the City of Florence's Council Goals and adopting the July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023 City of Florence work plan.
5. The Environmental Management Advisory Committee has reviewed the adopted City Council goals and work plan and have prepared an annual work plan, which it believes is consistent, relevant and supportive of the Council's adopted goals / work plan.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

1. 2021-2023 Environmental Management Advisory Committee Year 1-Work Plan, Exhibit A.

COMMITTEE APPROVAL:

This Recommendation is passed by Environmental Management Advisory Committee vote on the 20th day of July, 2021.



Lisa Walter Sedlacek, Chairperson
Environmental Management Advisory Committee



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Work Plan, Year 1
 July 2021 – June 2023

Environmental Management Advisory Committee Overview:

The Environmental Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) is a body established for the City of Florence (Ord. No. 17, Series 2018) consisting of not less than five and not more than eleven voting members. The EMAC includes representation from citizen(s) at large with interest, knowledge, or experience in: Solid Waste Handling Businesses; Recycling & Resource Disposal; Dendrology, Landscape Architecture, and/or Streetscape Management; Grant Writing & Administration. EMAC performs other duties required (FCC Chapter 9-4) as the City Council may direct. These duties include: Solid Waste Management, Recycling & Waste Reduction, and Trees & Vegetation. EMAC has established appropriate Subcommittees, per the provisions of the City of Florence Committee & Commission Policy Manual. These Committees include: BioSolids Program, City Tree Board, Food Waste Reduction, and Litter & Waste Reduction.

The objective of this document is to create priorities for Year 1 of the 2021 and 2023 biennial cycle. These work plan priorities generally relate to long-term planning efforts to be considered, which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Expand Biosolids Composting facility
- Enhance efforts toward Recycling and Litter Reduction
- Tree City USA Designation Preservation
- Update Vegetation Preservation City Code and Noxious Weed Control Program

Environmental Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) Members:		
Lisa Walter-Sedlacek; Chairperson	Ronelle Kuert; Vice-Chairperson	Josh Haring
Sherry Harvey	Erick Oshel	Vicki Philen
Ray Sherrill	Laurie Green	Daniel Berry
City Staff and Ex-Officio Members:		
Wendy FarleyCampbell, Planning Director; Staff Ex-Officio	Sharon Barker, Planning Technician; City Support Staff	
Sally Wantz, City Council; Council Ex-Officio		
Brian Enochian, County Transfer Ex-Officio	David Twombly, Coast Disposal Ex-Officio	

In accordance with the City of Florence Committee & Commission Policy Manual (Manual) the Florence EMAC has researched and discussed their priorities for Year-1 of the 2021-2023 City of Florence Work Plan. Below are the five items they identified as most important and propose to begin in August 2021 and conclude June of 2022.

Top-Five Committee Priorities:

1. Vegetation Related:
 - a. Update the City vegetation list for landscaping and noxious weeds.
 - b. Maintain Tree City designation
 - c. Review opportunity to update codes related to supporting bee husbandry.
 - d. Apply for Hiroshima Peace Tree to support Tree City designation.
 - e. Create and inform the public with a “What not to plant: Invasives” and create a native planting materials list.
 - f. Support partner agencies with educating on Fire Wise practices/program.
 - g. Update the vegetation preservation code with regard to commercial and residential development.

2. Litter Reduction and Recycle Education:
 - a. Support Plastic Recycling
 - b. Support Adopt a Park, Path, and Street Programs through brochure development, promotion, marketing and recognition.
 - c. Explore ways to work with, support, recognize litter abatement advocates.
 - d. Perform and Support Recycling Education

3. Food Waste Prevention
 - a. Provide and/or support education at venues such as Farmer’s Market
 - b. Compost Education and Program Development

4. Supporting Roles:
 - a. Landscaping and Lighting Code Updates
 - b. Electric Charging Station Additions
 - c. Dog training element additions to Dog Park

5. Yard Waste and Bio-Solids
 - a. Yard Waste Program Development
 - b. Yard Debris and Recycling
 - c. Marketing Program for Flo-Gro
 - d. Increase production of Flo-Gro
 - e. Increase methane capture and use
 - f. Keep organics out of the landfill