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MEMORANDUM

To: City Council

From: Emily Fernandez, Management Analyst

CC: Greg Hannan, Community Development Director; Katie Behnke, Economic Development Manager; Thom Sheridan, City Manager

Subj: EAC Priorities 2023

History

The Environmental Awareness Committee (EAC) discussed potential priorities at EAC meetings in 2022 and requested feedback from staff and Council. The EAC Chair and Vice Chair met with the City Manager in November 2022 to review goals that had been suggested by the Council President. At the request of the EAC, the City Manager asked Council and the Mayor for any additional desired goals. The EAC did not receive further input. The EAC considered the suggested goals and drafted three priorities, which it asked the Council Liaison to share with Council for approval. The Council Liaison noted the EAC's progress at the 2/14/23 Council Workshop. Council suggested that the EAC attend a workshop to discuss further.

Priorities

The EAC identified these potential priorities:

- 1) **Education and Outreach** including the annual Earth Day event, quarterly workshops, and media.
- 2) **Work with Community Development Staff** on resident resources related to composting, energy efficiency, and other environmental topics.
- 3) **Work with Economic Development Staff** to explore options for promoting renewable energy and other sustainable practices among businesses.

Additionally, the EAC is requesting quarterly meetings with the City Manager to discuss progress. See attachment, '*EAC Priorities 2023*', for details.

Discussion

- Review of EAC priorities