

1 Organization, Communication and Collaboration

- Identify a Municipal Sustainability Policy Task Force
- Unify goals, targets and programs across municipal depts..

URBAN DESIGN COMPONENTS

2 Transportation and Mobility

- Explore and expand alternative transportation options
- Understand and evaluate regional connectivity
- Ensure equitable access to alternative transportation options
- Develop and implement a multi-modal plan that includes rail, bus, pedestrian paths, etc.

3 Land Use

- Increase land use efficiency, promoting density and infill development
- Promote live/work environments
- Coordinate land use plans with regional growth and transportation plans

4 Green Building

- Implement green building standards (e.g. LEED) for new construction and retrofitting
- Establish goals for green development (i.e. ratio of LEED buildings to traditional buildings)
- Develop incentives to encourage developers to exceed the baseline standards set.
- Promote adaptive reuse of existing buildings

5 Housing Accessibility, Diversity and Affordability

- Availability of affordable housing, incl. demographic studies and distribution
- Evaluation of current housing stock, local and regional trends
- Examine and evaluate access to open space, mass transit, etc.
- Encourage the rehabilitation of inner city areas

6 Open Space, Parks & Trails

- Protect environmentally sensitive areas
- Expand parks and recreational opportunities, keeping equitable access in mind
- Examine potential linkages to regional trail systems
- Provide sufficient urban trail systems to meet the recreational and alt. transport needs for bikers, walkers and runners.

INPUTS

7 Alternative Energy/Energy Conservation

- Increase use of renewable energy
- Increase efficiency of existing facilities
- Expand usage of alternative fuel vehicles (i.e. city fleets, etc.)
- Decrease miles driven by City employees (i.e. incentives for mass transit use, modified work week, bike share, etc.)
- Include consideration for both technological- and policy-based options

8 Water Quality and Conservation

- Increase efficiency (i.e. retrofitting, reuse, harvesting, etc.)
- Understanding the relationship between water supplies/service and land use/growth
- Water auditing
- Include consideration for both technological- and policy-based options

SUSTAINABILITY-ORIENTED SOLUTIONS

9 Climate Change and Air Quality

- Emission reduction
- Pollution prevention
- Collaborative partnerships
- Incentives
- Outreach & education

10 Urban Heat Island

- Examine material usage for roadways, sidewalks, etc to increase heat absorption
- Increase usage of indigenous vegetation

11 Waste Reduction & Recycling

- Evaluate effectiveness of existing recycling programs
- Encourage waste reduction (i.e. building operations and construction)

12 Infrastructure Efficiency

- Coordinate infrastructure and land use plans to maximize infrastructure efficiency