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SUBJECT: Environmental Action Plan and Performance Measure Report

DATE: October 23, 2015

SUMMARY:

On October 28, the Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability will give a presentation to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on the status of the Environmental Action Plan and Performance Measure Report. Staff will give an update on the plan development process to date, the proposed plan framework, and share the stakeholder and public engagement plan.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Tacoma has several environmental policies and goals developed over the years. The existing policies and goals are contained in a variety of locations such as Tacoma 2025: Shared Vision, Shared Future, Comprehensive Plan, Climate Action Plan, and a number of resolutions. The Environmental Action Plan is designed to centralize the existing policies and goals and establish clear strategies and actions for improving environmental quality. It will be focused on all areas of our environment. Additionally, a comprehensive and easily digestible environmental metrics and performance report will be developed that tracks both outcomes and outputs important to Tacoma citizens.

ISSUE:

The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability is taking the lead on developing an Environmental Action Plan and Performance Measure Report. The Office of Environmental Policy and Sustainability has hired a contractor, formed an inter-departmental and inter-agency steering committee and is working with the Sustainable Tacoma Commission to assist with developing the products by first quarter 2016.

ALTERNATIVES:

This is an information briefing only. There are no alternatives presented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Environmental Services, Tacoma Public Utility and limited general funds will be used for this effort.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information briefing only. There is no recommendation.