



Environmental Quality & Public Works Committee 2024 Annual Status Review of Committee Referrals

1. Sevierville Waste Digesters

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: March 29, 2022
- Last Presentation: October 24, 2023
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee after a Council trip to Sevierville's solid waste facility on March 24, 2022. A Feasibility study was conducted, and results of that study were presented October 24, 2023. In November, a Task Force was created to review the consultant's report and understand the financial, operational, and environmental impact of proposed solutions to determine if there is a solution that aligns with the 2045 Comprehensive Plan for which the city should plan and prioritize.

2. Explore Lexington's Sustainability Options

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: February 20, 2018
- Last Presentation: May 23, 2023
- Item Details: There was a presentation on May 23, 2023, which looked at sustainability options such Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Solar Energy. A follow-up presentation is scheduled for June 2024 to review the Sustainability Program and a separate presentation on Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory.

3. Streets and Roads Fleet Depreciation and Replacement

- Current Sponsor: H. LeGris – looking for new sponsor or another committee
- Referral Date: May 30, 2023
- Last Presentation: N/A
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee during the Environmental Quality & Public Works Link report-out. Currently examining whether this should remain in committee or move to Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee.

4. Update to Chapter 8 in Code of Ordinances Related to Blasting Operations

- Current Sponsor: D. Gray
- Referral Date: July 11, 2023
- Last Presentation: N/A
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee to examine the notification process when there are projects involving mining and/or quarrying in Lexington.

5. Review of Revenue and Expense of refuse, street lighting, and street sweeping

- Current Sponsor: D. Seigny
- Referral Date: August 22, 2023
- Last Presentation: N/A
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee to look at revenue and expenditures for refuse collection, street lighting, and street sweeping and explore funding options.

6. Examine the Issue of Odor Control at the Wastewater Treatment Plant

- Current Sponsor: J. Reynolds
- Referral Date: October 31, 2023
- Last Presentation: February 6, 2024
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee on October 31, 2023 after numerous constituents raised concerns about the odor coming from the area near the wastewater treatment plant. This presentation will look at what steps have been taken and what the next steps are.

7. Microtransit

- Current Sponsor: C. Ellinger
- Referral Date: November 14, 2023
- Last Presentation: February 6, 2024
- Item Details: This item was placed in committee to explore Microtransit solutions in Lexington.

Annual/Periodic Updates:

8. Recycling General Practices

- Current Sponsor: P. Worley
- Referral Date: March 9, 2021
- Last Presentation: N/A
- Item Details: On March 9, 2021, several committee recycling items were consolidated into *Recycling General Practices*. This includes glass recycling, review of recycling practices, and recycling updates. A presentation to look at the EPA recycling grant is expected this summer.

9. Backyard Composting – Home Compost Pilot Program

- Current Sponsor: H. LeGris
- Referral Date: February 2, 2021
- Last Presentation: May 23, 2023
- Item Details: The results of the spring 2021 home compost pilot program were reported out at the February 1, 2022 committee meeting with an update provided on May 23, 2023. We will have an update on this item in October.

10. Urban Forestry / Hazardous Street Trees Update

- Current Sponsor: H. Legris
- Referral Date: September 17, 2019
- Last Presentation: July 11, 2023
- Item Details: Street trees are defined as trees in the right of way or designated tree planting easement, except those that are regulated pursuant to our Ordinances. Benefits of street trees are beautification, traffic calming, and crime reduction. The item also evaluates properties eligible for participation in the Hazardous Street Trees Program. An update on this item will be presented in April.

11. Capacity Assurance Program (CAP) Audit Update

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: August 30, 2018
- Last Presentation: April 18, 2023
- Item Details: The Capacity Assurance Program (CAP) audit is a requirement under our code of ordinances. Previously, the audit took place every two years; however, in April 2023, this timeline was changed to every 5 years. Our next presentation to discuss the audit results will be scheduled for Spring 2028.

12. Annual Energy Improvement Fund Update

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: January 10, 2017
- Last Presentation: July 11, 2023
- Item Details: Annual Update on the Energy Improvement Fund. The next update for this item is scheduled for March.

13. Annual Snow & Ice Removal Plan

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: February 15, 2014
- Last Presentation: October 24, 2023
- Item Details: Annual update on the Snow/Ice Removal Plan to review the snowplow schedule, staffing, and costs associated with the program. The 2024 snow plan update is scheduled for October.

14. Annual Pavement Management Plan Update/ Curbs Assessment

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: May 26, 2020
- Last Presentation: April 18, 2023
- Item Details: Annual Update on the Pavement Management Plan. The FY25 presentation is scheduled for spring 2024.

15. Annual Stormwater Priority List Update

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: February 20, 2018
- Last Presentation: September 12, 2023
- Item Details: The last annual update on storm water quality projects in Fayette County was presented September 12, 2023. The annual update is scheduled for August.

16. Annual Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program Update

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: February 20, 2018
- Last Presentation: October 24, 2023
- Item Details: The intent is to develop a Standard Operating Procedure to mitigate potential problems in the future and this program will keep the city in compliance. Committee staff will request a 2024 update.

17. Annual Consent Decree Remedial Measures Plan Update

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: January 22, 2019
- Last Presentation: December 5, 2023
- Item Details: Update to discuss the Remedial Measures Plan (RMP) and where we are with the Consent Decree and the EPA requirement. This update is scheduled for December 2024.

18. Annual Division & Program Reviews [Pilot Program]

- Current Sponsor: L. Sheehan
- Referral Date: November 30, 2021
- Last Presentation: November 1, 2022
- Item Details: The Division Reports for Division of Streets & Roads and Division of Traffic Engineering were provided in the November 1, 2022 packet as information only. These reports will be kept on file with the Council Core Staff. [No other committees are doing these so this could be removed from committee?]

Subcommittees, Workgroups, and Task Forces:

19. Waste Digester Task Force

- Current Sponsor: D. Sevigny
- Referral Date: November 14, 2023
- Last Presentation: N/A
- Item Details: The Task Force was created November 14, 2023. Members of the Task Force are Sevigny (Chair), Wu, Baxter, Fogle, LeGris, and Reynolds. The Task Force plans to begin meeting in early 2024 with an anticipated report-out in Spring 2024.