

TO: Sustainability and Natural Resources Committee Members

FROM: Jason Ludwigson, Sustainability Coordinator

DATE: January 15th, 2025

RE: City Hall 315 Main Street

AGENDA

Old Business

1. Combined committee planning 2026
2. La Crescent Tree Steward Training May 2nd 2026
3. 2026 proposed prairie establishment projects
4. New Trail in Vetsch Park on North End
5. Project and grant updates
 - a. Solar PV Pool– Solar on Public Buildings Grant- Awarded – constructed in August 2025
 - b. Statewide Solar on Public Buildings – Wieser Park Pavilion – Awarded (1st Net Zero La Crescent Building)
 - c. Solar PV Stoney Point Wellhouse– Solar on Public Buildings Grant- Awarded – Working with Clearway Solar to Amend Community Solar Subscription Allocations
 - d. Outdoor Recreation Grant – additional funds to construct walking path and all poured in place for playground – pickleball courts and playground install 2026
 - e. EV chargers – MPCA and ZEF energy – Construction fall/winter 2025 339 South 1st Street
 - f. Carbon Reduction Program Electric Vehicle(s) – SP236-080-004 (police cruiser), SP236-080-005 and SP236-080-006 fleet vehicle Equinox EV, 2027-2029 funds LED Lighting, 2029-2030 RRFB Redwood Street East and South 11th Mid-Block Crossing
 - g. Eagles Bluff Park Prairie Dry Bluff Prairie Signs
 - h. MnDOT Landscape Partnership 2026
 - i. Drift Cycle, Inc – advertising sponsors
6. CPL Grant Projects
 - a) Stoney Point Phase I
 - b) Stoney Point Phase II
 - c) Blufflands
 - d) Pine Creek Stream Restoration

New Business

1. La Crescent Sustainability and Resilience Plan Team Update
2. Active Transportation Action Plan Update/Review
3. Additional discussion items- future needs
 - a. water bars on a heavily eroded trail in Vetsch
 - b. spring weeding of the boulevard islands by the highway.
 - c. deep pruning and thinning in the existing orchard in Vetsch Park
 - d. removal of trees to release oaks on north side of prairie planting Vetsch Park – additional information
4. 1st annual collective action challenge: [Impact 26: Water Challenge! MnGreenSteps](#)
5. 2023 and 2025 ReLeaf Grants/Applications

6. 2026 City Tree Plantings and Boulevard Tree Program – Chinkapin Oak
7. SHIP Grant funding changes 2026
8. Other items
9. Adjournment. Please call me at 507-313-9633, or e-mail me at jludwigson@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov, if you will not be able to attend, have questions, or need more information. Thank you