

Environment Committee

Monday, March 16, 2015; 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center
Room 280

Committee Members: John Autry, Chair
Ed Driggs, Vice Chair
David Howard
Claire Fallon
Kenny Smith

Staff Resource: Hyong Yi, City Manager's Office

AGENDA

I. **Water System Master Plan**

Staff Resource: Barry Shearin, Charlotte Water

Staff will review Charlotte Water's proposed Water System Master Plan coming before City Council for consideration on March 23. The focus of the discussion will be on scope and goals of the plan as it relates to future planning for the water system.

Action: For information only

I. **FY16 Focus Area Plan**

Staff Resource: Hyong Yi, City Manager's Office

The Committee will continue their discussion of the FY2016 Focus Area Plan.

Action: None required.

Attachment: 1. FY2015 Focus Area Plan

Next Meeting

Monday, April 6, 2015; 12:00 – 1:30 p.m., Location TBD

Distribution:	City Council	Ron Carlee, City Manager	Executive Team
	Bob Hagemann	Stephanie Kelly	Environmental Cabinet



Environment

FY2015 Strategic Focus Area Plan

“Charlotte will become a global leader in environmental sustainability, preserving our natural resources while balancing growth with sound fiscal policy.”

The City of Charlotte recognizes that environmental stewardship is fundamentally important to quality of life and essential to maintaining a vibrant economy. Protecting our natural resources, promoting conservation, and improving the environment all enhance the City's mission to preserve its citizens' quality of life.

Charlotte will become a global leader in environmental sustainability by:

- Promoting and participating in the development of an environmentally sustainable community;
- Leading by example by practicing environmental stewardship in City operations and facilities;
- Seeking and supporting collaborative and regional solutions to environmental problems;
- Facilitating the growth of the clean energy industry, including the alternative energy sector.

Specific initiatives in the Economic Development and Transportation Focus Area Plans relate directly to Charlotte's environmental goals.

FY2015 Initiatives	Key Indicators
Promote and participate in the development of a sustainable community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced residential waste • Protected and expanded a healthy tree canopy • Maintained water quality in lakes and streams as well as ensured safe and adequate drinking water supply • Continued reduction in ozone emissions across the City • Engaged community to cooperatively reduce impacts of waste and energy use to air, water, and land quality
Lead by example by practicing environmental stewardship in city operations and facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced energy use from City operations, facilities, and fleet • Reduced ozone emissions from City operations, facilities, and fleet
Seek and support collaborative and regional solutions to environmental problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborated and participated in public and private sector partnerships to positively impact air quality, energy efficiency, water resources and reduction of waste
Facilitate the growth of the clean energy industry, including alternative energy sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with partners to attract and grow the clean energy industry sectors in Charlotte
Become globally recognized for community sustainability efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified global benchmarks with which to measure City progress • Engaged with stakeholders across the region to move towards global-level distinction