

# Environment Committee

Monday, September 12, 2016; 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center  
Room 280

Committee Members: John Autry, Chair  
James Mitchell, Vice Chair  
Claire Fallon  
Patsy Kinsey  
Al Austin

Staff Resource: Hyong Yi, City Manager's Office

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## AGENDA

- I. **Environment Committee Overview**  
*Staff Resource: Hyong Yi, City Manager's Office*  
Staff will review accomplishments from last year, review the FY2016 Environment Focus Area Plan, and discuss key things to come.  
*Action: None, for information only.*  
Attachment: 1. FY2016 Environment Focus Area Plan
  
- II. **Solid Waste Services Ordinance Update**  
*Staff Resources: Hyong Yi, City Manager's Office*  
*Victoria Johnson, Solid Waste Services*  
Staff will provide an update on the Solid Waste Ordinance review.  
*Action: None, for information only.*
  
- III. **Water Meter Upgrades**  
*Staff Resource: Shawn Coffman, Charlotte Water*  
Staff will provide an update on the multi-phase metering strategy program and the meter replacement project currently underway.  
*Action: None, for information only.*

**Next Meeting:** Monday, October 3, 2016 at Noon in Room 280

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Distribution:	City Council Bob Hagemann	Ron Kimble, Interim City Manager Stephanie Kelly	Executive Team Environmental Cabinet
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## Environment

### .....FY2016 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:

- Becoming a model environmental community in how it manages solid waste, energy, water and air;
- Leading by example by practicing environmental stewardship in City operations and facilities as directed through the Internal Environmental Operations Plan;
- Seeking and supporting collaborative and regional solutions to environmental problems;
- Applying technologies to develop “smart city” solutions to our environmental goals.

Specific initiatives to support these goals include:

<b>FY2016 Initiatives</b>	<b>Key Indicators – Community</b>
Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards 100% achievement of waste diversion from landfill</li> </ul>
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards achieving carbon neutral footprint for the community</li> </ul>
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards reducing potable water use per capita</li> <li>• Develop baseline towards making all Charlotte waterways swimmable and fishable</li> </ul>
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards achieving 50% tree canopy</li> <li>• Develop a baseline towards 100% of households located within a 5 minute walk of a transit option by 2050</li> </ul>
Smart City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop the Happiness Index for Charlotte</li> </ul>

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Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards achievement of 100% waste diversion from the landfill</li> </ul>
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards achievement of carbon neutral footprint for City operations</li> <li>• Develop baseline toward 100% LEED certified or equivalent government</li> </ul>
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards using water as efficiently as possible</li> </ul>
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards increasing alternative fuel and vehicle technology use</li> </ul>
Smart City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop baseline towards creating an engaged and connected workforce</li> </ul>