



Sustainability Commission Meeting Sustainable Preferable Purchasing - Update

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Previous Council Actions

- March 2021 – Informational report on EPP provided to City Council
- Key objective:
 - Developing a sustainable procurement action plan for the coming 1-3 years that prioritizes City's efforts on product categories that are:
 - High-spend
 - High-impact (and align with sustainability goals)
 - Easy to implement (low-hanging fruit)
 - Likely to yield multiple sustainability benefits
 - Innovative



SPP - Goals

- The City of Glendale enhanced Sustainable Purchasing Program is intended to:
 - Communicate the City's commitment to sustainable purchasing to its employees, vendors, and community;
 - Complement and support implementation of the City's sustainability goals and policies;
 - Provide implementation guidance; and
 - Grow the program effectively



Year one goals

- Specify government or third party verified green specifications
- Extended Producer Responsibilities
- Review contracts see what is coming up where Sustainable Purchasing Policy may be included
- Office Supply Vendors– specify default green option
- Develop a core green market basket
- Research an efficient method to track the spend on sustainable environmental purchases
- Develop checklists, guidance and education manuals



Year two goals

- Assess the use of life cycle costing (LCC), total cost of ownership (TCO) and other assessment methods to determine the economic value over the lifetime of the product or service and not just initial purchase costs;
- The creation an appropriate evaluation system for products and services that assigns values to price and environmentally preferable attributes;
- That the Sustainable/Environmentally Preferable Purchasing policy shall address the triple bottom line or three pillars of sustainability – environment, social and economic aspects
- Address Climate Action Plan purchasing requirements



Year 3 Goals

- Review progress
- Establish future SPP objectives





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