



**EL SEGUNDO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
UPDATE TO CITY COUNCIL**

March 3, 2026

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

Vision

To create and maintain a sustainable community through collaboration.

Mission

To improve the social, economic, and environmental well-being by fostering partnerships through education, guidance, and outreach.

Scope of Committee Work

Consider the work of this committee a toolbox for building a greener community, aligned with the City's Climate Action Plan Goals adopted in 2017 and evolving initiatives for 2026.

PAST Committee Work Plan Actions

Energy Conservation

- Sustained California Green Business Network (CAGBN) certifications in El Segundo.
- Supported energy efficiency programs and outreach.

Solid Waste Reduction

- Promoted green alternatives at City events (Farmers Market, Kiwanis Chili Palooza) for permit discount points.
- Engaged local businesses in recycling and composting programs.
- Continued CAGBN certifications.

Urban Planning & Development

- Supported Local Travel Network (LTN) initiatives.
- Provided input on city projects to encourage sustainability.

Hazardous Waste

- Maintained CAGBN certifications.
- Continued resident education on safe disposal and pollution prevention.



PAST Committee Work Plan Actions

Transportation

- Promoted LTN implementation and community awareness.

Air Quality

- Maintained accountability at Hyperion (odor complaints, tracking violations).
- Promoted “No Idle Zones” in city facilities and schools.

Water Conservation

- Supported native plantings with focus on Blue Butterfly Conservancy.
- Promoted greywater / Laundry-to-Landscape (L2L) education for homes.
- Sustained CAGBN certifications.

Governance

- Continued inclusion of environmental goals in Strategic Plan.
- Partnered with City staff, committees, and Chamber for eco-friendly initiatives.
- Monitored local agency activities (Hyperion, Scattergood, LAX, Chevron, AQMD, West Basin)
- Promoted Environmental Impacts line item on staff reports.
- Collaboration on AB 1216

2024-2025 Achievements & Highlights

Community & Education

- Supported Blue Butterfly Conservancy: establishment as 501c3, launch of internships and public educational events
- Organized Earth Week Farmers Market “grassroots” conversations & activities
- Launched pilot program of sustainable event practices with Kiwanis Chilipalooza
- Hosted “Drought Tolerant Garden” class with WRD

City Operations

- Encouraged native plantings
- Promoted compost giveaways
- Advocated for restart of CAGBN certifications
- Hosted waste-free meetings
- Participated in Non-Exclusive Commercial Hauler Franchise interview process
- Reviewed Los Angeles County Extreme Heat Initiative
- Participated in Land Use Element Update TAC
- Reviewed SBCCOG El Segundo GHG Emissions Inventory
- Environmental Program Manager is hired!!

2024-2025 Achievements & Highlights

Neighboring Impacts

- Hyperion: toured facility; reviewed concepts for LADWP and LASAN proposed recycled effluent water project ; odor complaints tracked; violations reported and monitored; met with Heal the Bay communications team
- Scattergood: reviewed Hydrogen Generation Renewable Energy Storage Proposal
- Chevron: toured facility, met new staff

Partnerships & Programs

- SBCCOG
- WBMWD
- WRD
- SoCalREN
- CAGBN
- ESUSD

Environmental Governance

- Reviewed Los Angeles County Extreme Heat Initiative
- Reviewed SBCCOG El Segundo GHG Emissions Inventory
- Reviewed AB 1572 (prohibits using potable water to irrigate non-functional turf)
- Continued to lobby to include Environmental Considerations on Staff Reports

Sectors of Work & 2026 Focus

- 1. Energy Conservation** – Educating and seeking improvement in reducing energy use; promoting renewable solutions.
- 2. Solid Waste Reduction** – Educating and seeking improvement in recycling, composting, and sustainable event practices.
- 3. Urban Planning & Development** – Encouraging sustainable construction, land use & design.
- 4. Hazardous Waste** – Educating on managing safe disposal and pollution prevention.
- 5. Transportation** – Promoting Low-Impact Travel Network (LTN), EVs, biking, and walking.
- 6. Air Quality** – Supporting clean air initiatives and monitoring neighboring impacts.
- 7. Water Conservation** – Promoting native plantings and smart water practices.
- 8. Governance & Community Engagement** – Advocating for eco-minded policies, reporting of environmental impacts, reviewing legislation, and building community partnerships.

WHY DO THIS ENVIRONMENTAL WORK?

- **To create community interactions and incentives that can affect positive personal, business and municipal eco-centric change.**
- **To shift culture and practices to better affect our environment, which better protects our future.**

GRATITUDE & FORWARD MOVEMENT

WITH GRATITUDE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN THIS TERM:

Kevin Butler • Leslie Edwards • Dennis Falk • **Sudip Giri** • **Tracey Miller-Zarneke**

Chia-Ming Ro • Shannon O'Toole • **Cheryl Smith** • Heather Sutherland

Here to welcome your input on present focus
and to receive future direction!