



Environmental Quality Commissions

2025 Work Plan

1. Zero Waste Plan Implementation

- a. Promote and encourage zero waste event standards in the City
- b. Research single use plastics ordinance continued

2. Community Engagement Campaign: Energy Efficiency, HVAC Contractor and Homeowner Education

- a. Promote energy efficiency through targeted education for HVAC contractors and homeowners
- b. Inform residents of cost savings available for Energy Efficiency upgrades
- c. increase awareness about best practices in energy-efficient heating and cooling systems, proper maintenance, and upgrades to reduce energy consumption and costs.
- d. Explore rebate incentive for outdoor electric equipment

3. Native Planting Ordinance: Tree Planting & Vegetation

- a. Research and provide comments to Community Development and Planning Commission regarding upcoming ordinance changes

4. Water Quality & Conservation

- a. educating the community on conservation practices

5. Research Level 3 Charger use & need

- a. analyzing EV adoption rates, usage patterns, existing charging infrastructure, and identifying gaps in coverage
- b. Carleton or St Olaf students may provide helpful assistance for this project