# **2023** Climate Action Plan Focus Areas and Strategies

## **Buildings & Energy**

- Adopt Reach Codes (adopting new building standards codes that are more advanced than those required by the state for Commercial new construction and major remodels) – residential and business
- 2. Encourage and/or Incentivize Electric Panel Upgrades in existing residential and office buildings to accommodate all-electric technologies
- 3. Establish Municipal Green Building Policy (requiring that municipal new construction and major remodels improve energy efficiency)
- 4. Enhance incentives for solar energy installations and encourage pairing battery storage systems with all solar PV systems
- 5. Adopt a Shade Tree Program to offer subsidized shade trees (to reduce energy consumption associated with cooling homes)

Associated Community Outreach and Education Strategies

- 1. Encourage and educate about all-electric in existing buildings residential and business
- 2. Encourage upgrade to electric heat pump space heating and water heaters in existing residential and office buildings
- 3. Encourage and educate about participation in Community Choice Aggregation (*Peninsula Clean Energy ECO100 Product*) residential and business
- 4. Promote Energy Efficiency Programs for existing buildings residential and business
- 5. Encourage Electric Cookware Upgrades in existing residential and office buildings

### **Mobility & Transportation**

- 1. Encourage and/or incentivize bike and car-sharing companies to operate in the city
- 2. Establish an electric municipal fleet policy (prioritizing electric vehicles)
- 3. Expand local shuttle service (*expand routes and/or frequency of service within city limits to connect areas not covered by public transit*)
- 4. Expand EV charging infrastructure (through incentives and partnerships in public spaces, multifamily dwellings, and workplaces)
- 5. Enhance infrastructure to promote electric bikes and scooters (*dedicated off-street parking and on-street corrals to accommodate shared electric bike and scooter parking*)

Associated Community Outreach and Education Programs

- 1. Encourage a Preferred Parking/Electric Plug-in Policy for Alternatively Fueled Vehicles
- 2. Encourage and educate about mass transit mode share and/or multi-modal forms of transit, other than single-occupancy-vehicles

3. Encourage electric vehicle adoption through education and outreach

# **Consumption & Disposal**

- 1. Achieve a Higher Waste Diversion Rate (through a combination of efforts, including promotion of *traditional recycling and organics recycling programs and local enforcement of recycling requirements*
- 2. Establish a municipal zero waste policy (to achieve 95% waste diversion rate in city operations)

#### Associated Community Outreach and Education Programs

- 1. Encourage and educate about Composting Programs
- 2. Expand community recycling services (to accommodate additional material types)
- 3. Encourage and educate about waste awareness and source reduction (minimizing the amount of materials that are thrown away, period, regardless of the bin it ends up in)

#### **Natural Systems**

- 1. Encourage and educate about water-efficient landscaping
- 2. Promote existing residential water conservation rebates and services
- 3. Encourage and incentivize water efficiency retrofits for existing buildings

#### **Community & Resiliency**

- 1. Coordinate Educational Workshops on Sustainability, Climate Action, and Resiliency to the impacts of climate change
- 2. Encourage small business participation in the San Mateo County Green Business program
- 3. Develop metrics and performance indicators for climate actions to establish a data-driven assessment and reporting process
- 4. Incorporate climate mitigation, resiliency, and equity considerations into the City's budget process
- 5. Develop an interdepartmental climate action team to implement and track plan progress