



## Climate Change and Environment Committee Agenda

May 16, 2024, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Conestoga Room  
City of Kitchener  
200 King Street W, Kitchener, ON N2G 407

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### 1. Commencement

The meeting will begin with a Land Acknowledgement given by the Chair.

The City of Kitchener is situated on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee Peoples.

We recognize our responsibility to serve as stewards for the land and honour the original caretakers who came before us. Our community is enriched by the enduring knowledge and deep-rooted traditions of the diverse First Nations, Metis and Inuit in Kitchener today.

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**3. Delegations**

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**4. Discussion Items**

<b>4.1</b>	<b>KU Transition - May 2024 Update - INS-2024-198, INS-2024-198</b>	<b>20 m</b>	<b>1</b>
	Kate Daley, Senior Strategist Carbon and Energy Planning, Infrastructure Services, City of Kitchener		
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Hidden Valley Land Use Implementation Project – Technical Studies - DSD-2024-215, DSD-2024-215</b>	<b>20 m</b>	<b>5</b>
	Carrie Musselman, Senior Environmental Planner, Development Services, City of Kitchener		
<b>4.3</b>	<b>CorCAP 2.0 - Part 2 - TransformWR, continued - DSD-2024-216, DSD-2024-216</b>	<b>30 m</b>	<b>8</b>
	Hilary Irving, Sustainability Advisor, City of Kitchener		
<b>4.4</b>	<b>Plant Based Treaty Discussion Continued</b>	<b>15 m</b>	
<b>4.5</b>	<b>Sub-Committee Updates</b>	<b>15 m</b>	

**5. Information Items**

**6. Adjournment**

Shannon Lodenquai  
Committee Administrator

# Staff Report



Infrastructure Services Department

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**REPORT TO:** Climate Change and Environment Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** May 16, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Greg St Louis, Director Utilities, Gas & Water 519-741-2200 ext. 4538

**PREPARED BY:** Kate Daley, Senior Strategist, Carbon and Energy Planning, 519-741-2200 ext. 4246

**WARD(S) INVOLVED:** All

**DATE OF REPORT:** April 25, 2024

**REPORT NO.:** INS-2024-198

**SUBJECT:** Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Strategy Phase 2 Update

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## RECOMMENDATION:

For Discussion.

## REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Phase 2 of the Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Strategy, which is underway. This phase consists of collaboratively assessing options for the City's community-facing energy businesses in light of the clean energy transition and recommending an integrated business approach based on the information gathered.
- The key finding of this report is that staff have identified several types of potential business activities from engagement contributions to date, which fit under the four main themes of: [1] providing energy products and services; [2] planning for and reporting on our gas distribution system; [3] providing the gaseous fuels of tomorrow, and [4] providing system-scale energy services. More detailed information is required about each of the business activities to be able to determine whether and how they might play a role in the integrated approach that will be recommended in the strategy.
- Community engagement was extensive during Phase 1 of the project in 2023, with customers, community members, stakeholders, Kitchener committees, staff, and councillors. This engagement, combined with stakeholder and staff engagement in January of 2024, has provided a large list of energy business activities that could be pursued.
- This report supports **Cultivating a Green City Together: Focuses a sustainable path to a greener, healthier city; enhancing & protecting parks & natural environment while transitioning to a low-carbon future; supporting businesses & residents to make climate-positive choices.**

## BACKGROUND:

This project will develop a strategy to guide us as we evolve our energy business to continue to be financially successful and provide valued services throughout the energy transition. The

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project's scope includes the City of Kitchener's community energy businesses, which are housed in the Gas and Water Division of the Infrastructure Services Department.

**Table 1: Project Phases**

<b>Project Phase</b>	<b>Timing</b>	<b>Focus on...</b>	<b>Achieved through...</b>
Phase 1	2023	building relationships and understanding around values, goals, and scope of the strategy	relational engagement with Council, staff, stakeholders, community members, and customers
Phase 2	2024	determining the way forward together	detailed, collaborative option assessment and recommendation of an approach
Phase 3	2025	building consensus on the implementation plan to 2030	developing a phased long-term implementation strategy to 2050 and a detailed first phase implementation plan to 2030

In December of 2023, Council endorsed guiding principles for the project that were based on extensive engagement with the public, stakeholders, City committees, staff, and councillors:

<b>As we evolve our energy business to continue to be financially successful and provide valued services throughout the energy transition, we will...</b>		
<b>Guiding Principles</b>	<b>Our intention</b>	<b>Objectives</b>
1: Make responsible, accountable, and financially rewarding business decisions	"We will work to responsibly position our community-owned business for success as things change around us."	1.1: Follow sound business practices 1.2: Take action quickly to manage risk and maximize opportunity 1.3: Assess value holistically to find our best contribution
2: Serve customers as an affordable and reliable partner in the energy transition	"We will work to empower customers and community members as their trusted partner in the energy transition."	2.1: Pursue affordable, reliable, and predictable energy services 2.2: Empower customers with choice and with trustworthy, accessible information 2.3: Bring people along as things change
3: Contribute to a thriving community	"We will work to make our community even stronger."	3.1: Collaborate with partners 3.2: Do our part to address climate change 3.3: Use clear metrics and align them with community-scale goals
4. Plan for multiple energy futures with flexibility and focus	"We will work to prioritize solutions that can adapt to and provide value in all energy futures."	4.1: Rely on safe bet technologies and prepare for long shot technologies 4.2: Prepare for a broad range of net-zero carbon futures 4.3: Iterate, experiment, and learn

## **REPORT:**

### **Phase 2 work to date and next steps:**

- **Extensive engagement:** Dedicated engagement workshops were held with external stakeholders and internal Kitchener Utilities management team members in January 2024 to identify and explore potential business activities that could be investigated. From these, 237 submissions were received. Suggestions were added from the extensive comments that were received last year during engagement with community members, stakeholders, City committees, staff, and councillors, which resulted in 371 suggestions in total. After removing duplicates, 135 ideas were reviewed by staff.
- **Business activities:** Staff have identified several types of business activities in the submissions, which fit under the four main themes of: [1] providing energy products and services; [2] planning for and reporting on our gas distribution system; [3] providing the gaseous fuels of tomorrow, and [4] providing system-scale energy services.
- **Additional investigation:** Each of the business activities that have been identified requires some amount of additional investigation to determine whether it could form a part of an integrated business approach within the strategy, which is expected at the end of Phase 2.
- **Next steps:** Staff are convening individual sub teams to advance the investigation of each of these business activities, with support from consultants.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

This report supports **Cultivating a Green City Together: Focuses a sustainable path to a greener, healthier city; enhancing & protecting parks & natural environment while transitioning to a low-carbon future; supporting businesses & residents to make climate-positive choices.**

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

**INFORM** – This report has been posted to the City’s website with the agenda in advance of the council / committee meeting.

**CONSULT** – As noted above, during Phase 1 of the project in 2023, extensive consultation took place with customers, community members, stakeholders, Kitchener committees, staff, and councillors. This engagement, combined with stakeholder engagement in January of 2024, has provided a large list of energy business activities that could be pursued.

## **PREVIOUS REPORTS/AUTHORITIES:**

- INS-2023-199 Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Update (Community and Infrastructure Services Committee)
- INS-2023-489 Phase 1 of Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Strategy (Climate Change and Environment Advisory Committee)
- INS-2023-508 Phase 1 report and guiding principles for the Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Strategy (Community and Infrastructure Services Committee)

**APPROVED BY:** Denise McGoldrick, General Manager, Infrastructure Services

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

**REPORT TO:** Climate Change and Environment Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** May 16, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Natalie Goss, Manager Policy & Research, 519-741-2200 ext. 7648

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**WARD(S) INVOLVED:** Ward 3

**DATE OF REPORT:** May 2, 2024

**REPORT NO.:** DSD-2024-215

**SUBJECT:** Hidden Valley Land Use Implementation Project – Technical Studies

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## RECOMMENDATION:

That report DSD-2024-215, regarding the Hidden Valley Land Use Implementation Project, be received for information.

## REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

- City staff initiated the Hidden Valley Land Use Master Plan process in 2018 to review the in-effect land use and zoning within Hidden Valley.
- Technical Studies are being completed to support the proposed city-initiated Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendments that will ultimately update land use in the Hidden Valley area.
- The outcomes of the Project will guide future development applications within Hidden Valley, and will address important environmental, social, health, transportation, infrastructure, and heritage impacts.

## BACKGROUND:

Development in Hidden Valley has been contemplated in different forms since the 1980s and 1990s. Since the existing Community Plans and zoning for Hidden Valley were brought into place, there have been many changes to the Provincial, Regional, and City policy framework. Additionally, major infrastructure and servicing initiatives have advanced – namely the River Road Extension and Stage 2 ION Light Rail Transit (LRT).

City staff initiated the Hidden Valley Land Use Master Plan (the “Master Plan”) process in 2018 to review the in-effect land use and zoning within the Hidden Valley Study Area (the “Study Area”).

In June 2019, City Council approved the Master Plan to update the area’s planning framework in response to emerging issues and opportunities (Attachment A). The Master Plan in general, proposed a variety of land use typologies, such as:

- Low rise residential - estate
- Low rise residential - detached dwellings on large lots
- Medium rise residential buildings
- High Rise residential
- Mixed-use (urban corridor)
- Commercial (urban corridor)
- Business Park Employment (General Service)
- Major infrastructure and Utility
- Natural Heritage Conservation; and
- Open Spaces

The Master Plan also included a series of implementation recommendations for further study and policy changes.

## **REPORT:**

The Hidden Valley area comprises approximately 183 hectares of land bound by the Grand River, Highway 8, Wabanaki Drive and the rail corridor near Fairway Road. The area is characterized primarily by rolling topography, including several agricultural fields, with large lot estate residential dwellings towards the river. By far, one of the greatest and most noteworthy features of this area is the significant natural environmental system.

The Project is the next step to prepare policies and land uses that would be incorporated into the Official Plan, along with implementing zoning.

## **Technical Studies**

A range of technical studies are being completed to inform the proposed policies and land uses, the Master Plan will be used as guidance and direction during the completion of the studies.

The technical studies will verify:

- The suitability of Master Plan land uses with respect to environmental, social, health, transportation, water management, urban design, and heritage impacts.
- Any technical standards required for implementation of the Plan including applying zoning and processing future development applications.
- An overview of considerations related to natural heritage conservation, climate adaptation and mitigation, municipal infrastructure, and flooding based on the technical analysis and work completed since Council's endorsement of the Master Plan.

The following information may be of particular interest to the committee:

Natural Heritage Conservation - An Environmental Impact Study (EIS) is nearing completion and will determine the limits of development, buffers from natural features, and guide the application of appropriate land uses and zoning. The EIS builds on the significant amount of study that has been completed in the area as part of the River Road Extension and Stage 2 LRT projects. As an outcome of the EIS, large portions of the Study Area will have land use designations and zones which protect these features over the long-term and promote their enhancement.

Climate Adaptation and Mitigation - Section 7 of the City of Kitchener Official Plan (2014) outlines policies related to topics such as sustainable development, water conservation, energy conservation and generation, and waste reduction and management. All future development within Hidden Valley will be guided by the policies of this section. Additionally, the City is preparing a new Official Plan and will be reviewing and updating its climate adaptation and mitigation policies city-wide.

Health Impact Study – City of Kitchener Council requested to have a Health Impact Assessment to be completed as one of seven concurrent technical studies for the Hidden Valley Secondary Plan.



Staff from City of Kitchener and Region of Waterloo Public Health and Emergency Services worked in partnership to complete a Health Impact Assessment.

A Health Impact Assessment process provides a structured approach for planners and policymakers to objectively evaluate the potential health-related outcomes of an activity or development before it is built or implemented. Positive and negative health outcomes are identified as well as recommendations to leverage positive health outcomes and prevent or mitigate negative health outcomes.

Section 6 of the City of Kitchener Official Plan (2014) contain policies that ensure that land use planning decisions promote and protect the health and well-being of people and achieve a complete and healthy community.

Municipal Infrastructure - The Upper Hidden Valley Sanitary Pump Station and Forcemain Environmental Assessment was completed in 2022 to identify the preferred alternative to service these lands. The pumping station is required to provide sanitary servicing and associated forcemain route for the undeveloped portions of the Study Area. The preferred design concept includes constructing a pumping station in the north portion of the Study Area, with a forcemain discharging to the trunk sewer at Wabanaki Rd. and Hidden Valley Rd.

Flood Risk Reduction - The Hidden Valley Flood Risk Reduction Environmental Assessment was completed in 2024 to identify ways to reduce existing flood risks and support future development in the Study Area. There are several flood vulnerable areas and erosion vulnerable areas in the downstream portion of the Hidden Valley Creek subwatershed close to Hidden Valley Road. The area downstream has experienced past flood and erosion impacts. These are related to specific rainfall or runoff events and the release of natural debris (examples: beaver dams or natural debris jams). The preferred design concept includes replacing the culvert at Hidden Valley Road to increase the conveyance capacity, lower the water surface elevation upstream and reduce the frequency of floods overtopping the road.

## **Conclusion**

The Technical Studies completed up to now, support the proposed city-initiated Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, and will implement the land use direction established by the Council approved 2019 Master Plan.

With the consideration of the proposed amendments, the existing Hidden Valley Industrial and Residential Community Plans will be repealed.

## **PREVIOUS REPORTS:**

- [DSD-19-133](#) – Neighbourhood Planning Review: Hidden Valley Land Use Master Plan
- [DSD-2022-258](#) Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Upper Hidden Valley Pumping Station and Forcemain
- [DSD-2024-119](#) Hidden Valley Flood Risk Reduction Environmental Assessment

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A – Hidden Valley Land Use Master Plan

**REPORT TO:** Climate Change and Environment Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** May 16, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Natalie Goss, Manager Policy and Research, 519-741-2200 ext. 7648

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**WARD(S) INVOLVED:** Ward(s) – All

**DATE OF REPORT:** April 29, 2024

**REPORT NO.:** DSD-2024-216

**SUBJECT:** CorCAP 2.0 – Part 2 – TransformWR, continued discussion

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**RECOMMENDATION:**  
For discussion

## REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The purpose of this report is to continue the dialogue from the April 2024 Climate Change and Environment Committee on CorCAP 2.0 – Part 2, which shifts focus from corporate emissions to community-based emissions.
- Staff intend to have a structured discussion regarding TransformWR, identifying areas of focus to ensure staff resources are deployed where they can make the greatest impact.
- This report supports **Cultivating a Green City Together: Focuses a sustainable path to a greener, healthier city; enhancing & protecting parks & natural environment while transitioning to a low-carbon future; supporting businesses & residents to make climate-positive choices.**

## BACKGROUND:

Kitchener's Corporate Climate Action Plan 2.0 involves 3 bodies of work. Part 1 (Pivot: Net-Zero), has focused on Corporate GHG Emissions and Part 2 will shift focus to Community GHG Emissions, while Part 3 will turn to Climate Adaptation.

Community emissions will/have been addressed through the [Kitchener Utilities Clean Energy Transition Strategy](#), as well as [TransformWR](#). TransformWR was completed through the ClimateActionWR collaborative, made up of local municipalities and townships, REEP Green Solutions and Sustainable Waterloo Region. The document lays out 78 actions across 6 transformative changes to guide the Region of Waterloo towards our community GHG reduction goals of 50% by 2030 (upgraded from initial commitment of 30% by 2030) and 80% by 2050. Of these 78 Actions the City of Kitchener was appointed to Lead (23), Collaborate (5), Participate (13) or Support (11) 52 of them. Council endorsed TransformWR on June 14<sup>th</sup> 2021.

## REPORT:

The table below outlines the TransformWR actions that the City of Kitchener was assigned as a Lead, Collaborator, Participant or Supporter. In support of implementing TransformWR, staff wish to continue a guided discussion with the Climate Change and Environment Committee on some specific actions, gathering input from the Committee based on what has been done, what can be done, and any challenges that may be faced.

Please note work has already begun on many of these actions. Details can be found on the [TransformWR Progress Dashboard](#).

*Table 1 - City of Kitchener TransformWR Actions*

Transformative Change	Action	Commitment
1. By 2050, most trips are taken using active transportation, with the support of a robust public transit system.	Action 1.1.1: Plan a network of major active transportation corridors across cities and townships, that will provide high-volume priority travel for walking, cycling, and rolling to key destinations across the region, as well as access to public transit.	Lead
	Action 1.1.2: Plan for and build neighbourhood connections to the active transportation network.	Lead
	Action 1.1.3: Implement further policies across the region to prioritize active transportation in road and trail design and reconstruction.	Lead
	Action 1.1.4: Identify and implement policy and program opportunities to de-incentivize driving.	Lead
	Action 1.1.5: Design and maintain active transportation infrastructure to ensure year-round access, safety, and comfort for people of all abilities.	Lead
	Action 1.2.2: Ensure priority access for walking, cycling, and rolling to transit stations and bus stops.	Collaboration
	Action 1.2.4: Connect people to intercity, multimodal, and emerging transportation solutions.	Lead
	Action 1.3.1: Launch micro mobility systems (bike, e-bike and e-scooter-sharing systems) in Waterloo Region communities.	Lead

Transformative Change	Action	Commitment
	Action 1.3.2: Expand and innovate on existing programming (e.g. Travelwise) that supports employers and employees in making active transportation and transit the easy and preferred choice for commuting and business travel.	Participant
	Action 1.3.3: Create community active transportation hubs to provide customized support, education, training, and resources.	Collaboration
	Action 1.3.4: Develop active transportation and transit programs that target equity-deserving communities.	Lead
	Action 1.3.5: Post-pandemic continued adoption of work from home and flexible work schedules for reducing trips or shifting trips to off-peak times.	Participant
	Action 1.4.1 Increase the efficiency of commercial goods movement.	Support
	Action 1.5.1: Create “15 minute neighbourhoods” where people can meet their daily needs by walking, cycling, or rolling.	Lead
	Action 1.5.2: Implement design standards for new developments to build for walking, cycling, and rolling to be the primary mode of travel.	Lead
	Action 1.5.3: Site key community services, health facilities, subsidized housing, etc., in central areas where they can be easily accessed using the active transportation and public transit systems.	Participant
2. By 2050, remaining personal and commercial vehicles are zero emissions vehicles.	Action 2.1.1: Complete a region-wide electric vehicle strategy.	Collaboration
	Action 2.1.2: Plan and begin to implement a transition to zero emission vehicles for municipal fleets, working towards a goal of at least half of municipal vehicles being zero emissions by 2030.	Lead
	Action 2.1.3: Plan and begin to implement the transition of commercial vehicle fleets to zero emissions vehicles.	Participant

Transformative Change	Action	Commitment
	Action 2.1.5: Develop and implement an electric vehicle public outreach and communication strategy for personal vehicles.	Support
	Action 2.2.1: Provide more public electric vehicle charging stations in public spaces, commercial spaces and other places visited by the public.	Participant
	Action 2.2.2: Require all new residential parking spaces, and a portion of new non-residential parking spaces, to be constructed as "EV-ready".	Lead
	Action 2.2.3: Investigate and implement local opportunities to address barriers to adding electric vehicle charging infrastructure in existing multi-residential buildings and homes.	Support
	Action 2.2.4: Investigate hydrogen vehicle trends and refuelling infrastructure options.	Support
3. By 2050, businesses and homes no longer use fossil fuels for space heating and cooling, and hot water heating.	Action 3.1.10: Create a one-window service to support energy-related upgrades for homes and businesses.	Collaboration*
	Action 3.1.2: Implement a public literacy campaign to explain and promote the adoption of electric heat pumps for space and water heating in residential and commercial buildings.	Participant
	Action 3.1.3 Switch home and business heating and water heating off of fossil fuels.	Participant
	Action 3.1.4: Investigate and plan for full replacement of natural gas with other, non-fossil fuel sources, such as a combination of renewable natural gas and hydrogen.	Lead
	Action 3.1.5: Identify and implement necessary supports to transition anyone still using fuel oil, or propane for heating to other fuel sources by 2025.	Support
	Action 3.1.6: Install renewable energy generation in business and residential buildings.	Participant
	Action 3.1.7: Support households on lower income with building envelope improvements, electrifying space and water heating, and renewable energy generation.	Support*
	Action 3.1.8: Identify opportunities to incentivize landlords to perform energy efficiency upgrades.	Support

Transformative Change	Action	Commitment
	Action 3.1.9: Offer innovative loans for energy-related residential and commercial building upgrades.	Lead
	Action 3.2.3: Develop region-wide building standards to encourage and support zero-carbon development of all new buildings in the region.	Lead
	Action 3.2.4: Incorporate energy planning considerations into the development application review process.	Lead
	Action 3.2.6: Build capacity and expertise in the local design and construction sector to build net-zero carbon buildings.	Support
	Action 3.2.7: Show leadership by building net-zero carbon in the public sector.	Lead
4. By 2050, Waterloo Region uses less, wastes less, and no longer disposes of organic matter in landfills.	Action 4.1.3: Support the use of compost/organics collection programs for all commercial buildings.	Participant
	Action 4.2.1: Implement community waste reduction and circular economy campaigns.	Lead
	Action 4.2.4: Reduce unnecessary building demolitions and construction waste.	Lead
5. By 2050, Waterloo Region has a thriving local food system built on local farming and food production and processing that feeds much of our community.	Action 5.1.1: Continue to develop and enforce robust land use planning protections for prime agricultural land.	Lead
	Action 5.3.1: Support the reduction of GHG emissions from livestock, and develop methane capture and energy production from manure.	Support
	Action 5.4.2: Provide a variety of low GHG food options plant-based dining options in local restaurants, grocery stores, and catered events.	Participant
6. By 2050, Waterloo Region has leveraged reducing GHG emissions to increase equity, prosperity and resiliency for all.	Action 6.1.1: Establish metrics to measure progress on increasing equity through GHG reduction initiatives in our community.	Lead
	Action 6.1.2: Incorporate education on sustainability justice and equity into climate action planning.	Participant
	Action 6.1.3: Fund a climate justice committee led by community members from equity-seeking groups.	Lead
	Action 6.1.4: Provide specialized resources/support to organizations on prioritizing equity while planning their transition.	Support

Transformative Change	Action	Commitment
	Action 6.1.6: Build reciprocal relationships between Indigenous groups and local municipalities and climate action organizations to ensure GHG reduction work is done in equitable ways that respect the land and traditions of Indigenous groups.	Participant
	Action 6.1.8: Apply an equity lens to all the actions in this transformation.	Participant
	Action 6.3.2: Implement a public literacy campaign for homeowners and property owners on renewable energy systems.	Support
	Action 6.3.3: Implement a literacy and awareness campaign for commercial scale renewable energy generation.	Collaboration
	Action 6.3.4: Evaluate how to identify and protect optimal areas for industrial-scale renewable energy generation.	Participant
	Action 6.5.1: Bring community organizations and local government together to collectively identify and communicate advocacy priorities to multiple levels of government.	Lead

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

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#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial implications at this time.

#### **PREVIOUS REPORTS/AUTHORITIES:**

June 14<sup>th</sup> 2021 – DSD-2021-94 – Community Climate Action Plan – TransformWR Strategy  
 April 18, 2024 – DSD-2024-158 – Part 2 Transform WR