

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-44

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WAYNE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY ADDING CHAPTER 10, ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT – COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska:

Section 1. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 1, 2014, and recommended amending the Wayne Comprehensive Plan by adding Chapter 10, Environment Element – Community Sustainability, with the “Findings of Fact” being:

- As required by State Statute; and
- Staff’s recommendation.

Section 2. That the Wayne Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended by adding Chapter 10 Environment Element – Community Sustainability as follows:

Environment Element – Community Sustainability

Wayne is a growing community in the Northern Great Plains, with stable commercial, government, agriculture and education sectors. The community’s ability to maintain and creatively grow these sectors and build new wealth over time, will be heavily influenced by the energy efficiency and life cycle costs of the public and private infrastructure needed to support these sectors in a way that is pleasing, healthy and meets the needs of future residents and business owners. This plan builds on the Wayne community’s history of willingness to re-investment in itself, protect the environment, and to embrace more sustainable and efficient ways to live and work.

Increase Building Efficiency

- a. Lighting – transition city lighting to LED’s
- b. Retrofit Residential Buildings – provide incentives and construction advice to the public for restoration of homes including windows, doors, attic ventilation, insulation, solar panels
- c. Retrofit Old Public and Commercial Buildings – provide incentives and construction advice to the public for Restoration Best Management Practices for windows, doors, attic ventilation, insulation, solar panels, lighting
- d. New Construction Codes – add the fastest pay back Best Management Practices (BMPs) to city codes and educate homeowners and realtors
- e. Budget for annual incentives to the public for the restoration of a vibrant urban forest for summer peak electric demand control and winter urban wind break

Create a Zero Waste Community

- a. Reduce waste disposal with a 10-year Zero Waste strategy in support of achieving 90% resource recovery (recycling, reuse, repair, composting, redesign).
- b. Provide universal access to curbside recycling services for all residential dwellings and businesses.

- c. Give financial incentives to recycle by charging for trash service based on volume, much like a utility (i.e., more trash costs more money).
- d. Gather annual data on waste disposal and resource recovery by volume.
- e. Provide access to recycling at public areas and major events (Chicken Show, County Fair) and include better labeling and awareness.
- f. Develop more public function recycling facilities and develop the most efficient collection and transport of recycled materials possible.
- g. Investigate regional hub and spoke system for efficient transportation of recycled materials.
- h. Support creation of publicly owned Zero Waste facilities, including contracting approaches for private operations, OR explore public-private partnership opportunities for Zero Waste infrastructure and services.
- i. Upcycle goods for other uses
- j. Provide Community Gardens & Composting – divert organic compostables into a local compost operation
- k. Create education and awareness campaigns promoting the benefits of Zero Waste for the local economy, the environment, and public health.

Increase Transportation Efficiency

- a. Electric / Natural Gas City Fleet of Vehicles – potential for 11 trucks and four police cars
- b. Promote Pedestrian Uses – sidewalks, crossing guards
- c. Increase and encourage bicycling; carpooling
- d. Increase residential development density- with parking requirements
- e. Redevelop older existing neighborhoods- with architectural requirements

Support Low Impact Development (LID) and Green Infrastructure Programs

- a. Specify LID design options in engineering services contracts for subdivision development, storm water and parking lot improvements
- b. Provide continuous education to the city planner, city administrator and public works staff in the new LID designs and BMPs (Best Management Practices) for operation and maintenance of LID projects.
- c. Calculate and track the public and private construction and life cycle cost savings for LID projects
- d. Promote Water Conservation through use of low impact lawn care, rain barrels, alternatives to paved driveways, gray water & potable water systems, and xeriscaping
- e. Require LID and Green Infrastructure Storm Water Detention and urban forestry practices in Subdivision Agreements
- f. Include incentives to the public and for developers for energy efficiency, LID and Green Infrastructure in the annual city budget

Plant Urban Forests

- a. Trees / Urban Forests – provide incentives for city rebate programs to replant new trees; 30 to 40% of Wayne's trees will die within 15 years
- b. Compost brush and trimmings – select the Best Management Practices that are successful in other towns to provide a public deposit site to compost brush and trimmings

- c. Create a waste wood recycling/composting/energy generation program
- d. Operate a dead tree wood recovery and re-use program

Section 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of December, 2014.

THE CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA

By _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk