

Green Implementation Advancement Board (GIAB)
Office of Sustainability and Resilience (OSAR) Staff Report
Report Date: October 16st, 2025

1. Tree Planting Program

- An agreement has been reached for the 5th year of the program. We will use the available funds to continue the drop off program only. We will be able to provide 420 trees this year.

2. Tree Trust Fund

- Additional avenues for funding the program are being investigated.
 - Boca Raton funds the program directly from the city budget.
 - Boynton Beach funds their program and many other sustainability and resilience initiatives through a development fee (0.05%) based on the total cost of development

3. Climate Action Plan (CAP)

- Alignment identification with Always Delray Comprehensive Plan and Delray Beach Adaptation Plan is completed
- 806 individual policy level points of alignment
- First draft of a climate action plan is underway (35%).
 - Most of the emissions reduction points are already included
 - Consensus must be reached with Public Works on what is to be included from the Adaptation Plan

4. LEED for Cities

- Cohort is continuing nicely and is a very helpful forum to ask questions and see examples of data other municipalities have been able to collect.
 - Most prerequisite data has been collected.
 - The big missing piece is an update GHG inventory. We will use “ClearPath 2.0” to create this inventory.
 - A fair amount of additional credit data has been collected but it is difficult to move forward without the updated GHG inventory
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5. Facility Energy Benchmarking

- Benchmarking efforts remain limited by the utility's current data sharing structure.
 - The plan is to work with Public Works to get this data from FPL consistently and in the format needed.
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6. Habitat Restoration & Invasive Species

- \$50,000 was allocated in the FY2024-25 (and the next 2 fiscal years) Parks budget for habitat restoration at Leon Weekes Environmental Preserve.
 - An updated more detailed plan for restoration has been received from Institute for Regional Conservation (IRC)
 - A meeting is scheduled with OSAR and Parks & Rec to review the proposed scope of work.
 - The Reef Institute
 - Has received their money.
 - We are having meetings every other week to move the education portion of the agreement forward.
 - Currently discussing reef and coral educational materials at the beach pavilion.
 - TRI to attend city events to increase awareness of their efforts specifically in Delray Beach.
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7. Public Outreach

- No new public outreach
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8. State Legislation Monitoring

- SB180
 - Delray Beach has joined a lawsuit to fight this bill with many other FL municipalities
- GIAB members please share any items you wish to be tracked here.