



City of Fairburn Work Session

Agenda

April 8, 2024

6:00 PM

The Honorable Mayor Mario Avery

The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tem James Whitmore

The Honorable Alex Heath

The Honorable Hattie Portis-Jones

Mr. Tony Phillips

Mr. Rory Starkey

Ms. Brenda B. James

The Honorable Linda J. Davis

The Honorable Samantha Hudson

The Honorable Ulysses J. Smallwood

City Administrator

City Attorney

City Clerk

I. Meeting Called to Order:

The Honorable Mayor Avery

II. Roll Call:

City Clerk

III. Agenda Items:

1. Sustainability Action Plan **(Planning & Zoning)**

IV. Adjournment:

When an Executive Session is required, one will be called for for the following Issues:

(1) Personnel (2) Real Estate or (3) Litigation



CITY OF FAIRBURN WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Sustainability Action Plan

ITEM TYPE: Presentation

SUBMITTED: 04/01/2024 **WORK SESSION:** 04/08/2024 **COUNCIL MEETING:** N/A

DEPARTMENT: Planning & Zoning

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

PUBLIC HEARING: No

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the presentation is to provide an update on the draft action plan, discuss the green communities program and sustainability initiatives underway.

HISTORY:

N/A

FACTS AND ISSUES:

N/A

FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Sustainability Action Plan Update_1

FAIRBURN SUSTAINABILITY ACTION PLAN SUMMARY

Dr. Tameka Womack, Sustainability Consultant
Denise Brookins, Planning and Zoning Director

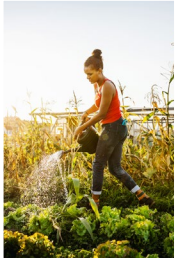
Why a Sustainability Action Plan?



Map out steps for Fairburn to equitably pursue resilience, sustainability, and inclusive growth.



Integrate sustainability priorities from existing plans for a unified path forward



Engage and empower community members on sustainability



Build on Fairburn's history of energy action and resource conservation



Develop goals and strategies to measure and achieve progress within topic areas.



Create an actionable work plan to guide next steps.

Green Communities Program:

Timeline 2024	Baseline review and draft goals
	Technical advisory group
	Establish a Sustainability Committee
	Refine Measures
	Community Workshop /Open House
	City Council Update
	Draft Plan Update
	Council Workshop

Deadline:
Thursday, May 25, 2025



Program Categories

In metro Atlanta, 20 local governments — 14 cities and six counties – are currently certified under the Green Communities program.

- Green Building
- Energy Efficiency
- Green Power
- Water Use Reduction and Efficiency
- Trees and Greenspace
- Transportation
- Recycling and Waste Reduction
- Land Use
- Education
- Innovation

Certification Levels

- Platinum: 330 – 435 points
- Gold: 280 – 329 points
- Silver: 230 – 279 points
- Bronze: 175 – 229 points

Benefits of Green Community Certification

- Fosters civic pride
- Creates a positive image of a place to live or conduct business
- Sets an example for business and organizations seeking to reduce their environmental impact
- Leads to greater quality of life

Action Plan- Baseline Study

The purpose of the Sustainability Action Plan is to create a roadmap depicting where the City is today and where it would like to be in the future, in regards to achieving sustainability goals and targets by a specific time frame;

Plan Objectives:



1. DISCOVER OPTIONS FOR GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE
AND RESILIENCY



2. BUILD RESILIENCY: ENSURE THAT FAIRBURN
COMMUNITY PROVIDES RESOURCES EQUITABLY TO ITS
RESIDENTS TO ENSURE FUTURE GROWTH.



3. PRIORITIZE RECOMMENDATION IMPLEMENTATION:
PRIORITIZE WHERE THE MOST MARGINALIZED AREAS
ARE WITHIN THE CITY'S BORDERS THAT NEEDS THE
MOST ASSISTANCE TO MEET SDG GOALS.

GOALS

The baseline study and sap action plan, included the following areas:



1. WATER AND ENERGY –
UTILITY DEPARTMENT*



2. COMMUNITY OUTREACH
HOUSING – PLANNING
AND ZONING



3. PUBLIC FACILITIES

