

Office of Planning's Green DC Agenda

Action	Description	Timeline	Theme	Lead Agency	Status
Implement the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative	The Anacostia Waterfront Initiative envisions an energized waterfront that will unify diverse areas with one of the city's greatest natural assets, the Anacostia River. The Initiative seeks to revitalize neighborhoods, enhance and protect parks, improve water quality and increase access to waterfront destinations. Implementation of the Canal Block Park, the Yards and Diamond Teague Park is underway, with Diamond Teague scheduled for completion this summer and the others during 2010.	Summer '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	DMPED	In Progress
Implement the Center City Action Agenda	The agenda provides a compelling vision and a strategic implementation plan for becoming an increasingly diverse and culturally richer place and for growing job opportunities by creating highly competitive new employment centers and greener and more sustainable neighborhoods. Implementation of the design (30%) of the K St. Transit Way by fall 2009.	Summer '10	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	OP	In Progress
Implement the Deanwood Strategic Development Plan	The Plan provides an implementation framework for public investment in a broad range of areas, leading to neighborhood stabilization and revitalization over a ten-year period. Part of the plan's vision statement is to enhance Deanwood as one of the "greenest" neighborhoods in the District. Implementation includes working with the community to transition vacant and underutilized lots into community gardens.	Fall '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	OP	In Progress
Implement the St. Elizabeth's East Redevelopment Framework Plan	St. Elizabeth's East Campus will build on its tremendous history to become a series of healthy new neighborhoods that stimulate economic regeneration in Ward 8 and the surrounding communities. Sustainability was one of the guiding principles: includes language on Green Building requirements, sustainable design practices. The plan will develop green mobility options including transit, bus, walking and biking.	FY'10	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	DMPED	In Progress
Implement the St. Elizabeth's Green Collar Job Demonstration Project	Several DC agencies will collaborate with the US General Services Administration, Department of Homeland Security, community based organizations and local businesses to concentrate efforts around job training, home energy audits, home weatherization and green construction jobs to prepare local residents for employment opportunities associated with the Homeland Security Headquarters consolidation project, the largest in the region since the Pentagon was constructed. The project will develop public-public and public-private partnerships and develop a green jobs demonstration program.	Spring '09; Summer '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	OP	Upcoming
Implement Healthy By Design Policies	Healthy By Design is a citywide initiative aimed at developing a healthier, more livable, more walkable city. It is a framework for District government policies and programs that encourage active living and healthy eating by increasing access to healthy food*, primary care facilities, walkable destinations and recreational opportunities. The program will launch the "Active Living Index" to measure healthy community access.	Summer '09	Neighborhoods and Community	OP	In Progress
Publish and Distribute Guide to Green: Buildings	The Guide contains principles, practices, and resources that help make sustainable, green development part of our everyday practice – for both new construction and renovations. The Guide serves local and small businesses, nonprofits, residents and government agencies as a tool for understanding what makes a building green and provides knowledge and resources for anyone wanting to build green.	Complete	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	OP	Complete
Implement the Green Collar Jobs Initiative	The Green Collar Jobs Initiative is a cooperative effort among the District of Columbia government, for-profit entities, non-profit organizations, and academic institutions to help prepare District residents and businesses to take advantage of the growing green sector of the economy. The Office of Planning will issue a report for the Mayor and launch a pilot training program in 2009.	Spring '09; Summer '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	DOES	In Progress

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Develop a Neighborhood Sustainability Indicators Pilot Project (Ward 3)	The Neighborhood Sustainability Indicators Pilot Project (NSIPP) will provide a framework for the public and private sector to move the study area and Ward 3 towards a more sustainable existence. Results from the NSIPP will inform city-wide green policy decisions and sustainability strategies. The project will launch this spring, develop indicators through the community process this summer and conclude in the fall. It is anticipated that the study will serve as a model for developing similar neighborhood sustainability indicators across the city.	Spring '09; Summer '09; Fall '09	Neighborhoods and Community	OP	Upcoming
Develop policies and tools for Zoning for Sustainability, Transit and Mobility	Encouraging environmental sensitivity through zoning and removing zoning obstacles to sustainable design. Issues will include green building design, low impact development, transit oriented development, energy efficiency and measures of sustainability. Remove parking minimum requirements throughout the city. Establish parking maximums in areas in close proximity to public transportation infrastructure to encourage transit rider-ship. Develop regulations that will integrate different land-uses to facilitate access to goods, services without need of an automobile.	Summer/Fall '09; 2010; 2011	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	OP	Upcoming
Develop the NoMA Sustainability: Public Space & Water Management Case Study	The Study will evaluate the challenges and opportunities for increasing neighborhood green space and decreasing demand on the combined sewer system (CSS) in NoMa and provide recommendations for design, financing and prioritization. The plan will kickoff this summer and be completed in the fall.	Summer '09; Fall '09	Parks and Natural Space	OP	Upcoming
Publish & Distribute the Public Space Design Guide	The Guide is a comprehensive review of public space policies, regulations and specifications of the design of public space elements. The way public space is used and designed impacts residents, workers, visitors and our environment. The Guide will be published this summer and 2000 copies will be distributed and available to the general public, ANC's, District agencies and public officials.	Summer '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	DDOT	In Progress
Implement the Brookland/CUA Metro Station Small Area Plan	Redevelopment strategy for areas in and around the Metro station that will serve as a framework to guide future development. Open space and the environment served as guiding principles and included language on green building requirements and sustainable design practices. The plan will improve existing park spaces at Noyes Park and Ft. Bunker Hill Park and improve linkages to open space and recreational amenities throughout the community.	FY '10	Neighborhoods and Community	DPR	Upcoming
Evaluate and Improve the GBA'06	The Green Building Advisory Council is responsible for evaluating the efficacy of the DC Green Building Act and providing the Mayor with recommendations to improve the Act and its implementation. The group is also charged with reviewing new green building standards and updating DC's building codes. The Council will evaluate the new LEED 3.0 standards and initiate the second round of greening the building codes with recommendations to amend and improve the Green Building Act of 2006.	Summer '09	Business, Jobs and Economic Development	DDOE	In Progress
Update the Comprehensive Plan	The process will document the demographic, economic and environmental changes since the plans completion in Dec. 2006 and include new green goals and objectives for the City. OP will initiate a public process this spring, provide final recommendations in the fall and expects action by the Council next winter.	Spring '09; Winter '09/'10	Government and City Operations	OP	Upcoming
Develop a New Mobility Strategy	The Office of Planning is initiating a regional New Mobility project -- a concept to maximize connections and efficiencies among a variety of transportation modes. Key regional transportation hubs with enhanced information and services provide users with a seamless, and integrated door-to-door trip using sustainable modes of travel. OP has formed a regional stakeholder group to garner support for the project and help identify a system of hubs in the metro area and services. A pilot project will be launched in Spring 2010.	Spring '10	Transportation and Mobility	WMATA	In Progress

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<i>Develop a Regional Rapid Transit Project and Strategy</i>	The Office of Planning is committed to supporting the development of a regional rapid transit system and to improving the rider's experience in the District with enhanced services along key corridors. K Street is a critical route for local and regional bus activity, and the District is in the design process to create a multi-modal corridor with increased efficiency for transit riders. The corridor will include dedicated lanes for surface transit, raised stations with multi-level and door boarding, and off-board payment. Preliminary design for the K Street corridor is anticipated to be completed by the end of FY 2009.	Winter '09	Transportation and Mobility	OP	In Progress
<i>Develop a Bellevue Small Area Plan</i>	The Plan will describe how to achieve an enhanced, safe and walkable neighborhood comprised of quality housing for everyone, expanded retail choices, visual appeal, and resources that meet existing and future community needs. Implementation of the plan will provide energy efficiency and indoor air quality improvements for low-moderate income households and initiate the Healthy by Design "living index." The plan will begin implementation in the summer of 2009.	Summer '09	Neighborhoods and Community	OP	Upcoming
<i>Create a GHG Inventory and DC Climate Action Plan (w/DDOE)</i>	The Office of Planning has partnered with the District Department of Environment (DDOE) to undertake an inventory and analysis of the city's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions; developing targets/goals; developing strategies/solutions to meet targets; creating an implementation plan; developing criteria to monitor and measure success. The GHG provides the city with a baseline to measure all future progress and identify priority actions.	Spring '09; Winter '09	Government and City Operations	DDOE	In Progress
<i>Create the Washington Council of Government's Climate Plan and the '09-'10 Workplan</i>	The Washington Council of Government's Climate Committee contributed to a regional Climate Report that established a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory baseline and projections with reduction goals and targets for the region. The Climate Committee will work with the jurisdictions to implement a workplan to enhance the region's capacity to better coordinate, implement and encourage strong climate and energy policies and actions.	Complete	Government and City Operations	COG	In Progress
<i>Develop a Circulator Facebook Application</i>	The Office of Planning has partnered with the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) to create new cell phone apps for Circulator customers that will let them know where the next Circulator bus is on any of the 5 Circulator routes. This is expected to improve the rider experience; make transit more convenient, reliable and predictable; and increase ridership over time.	May '09	Government and City Operations	OP	In Progress