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SHEA CHARLES
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners
FROM: Shea Charles, City Manager
DATE: November 27, 2024

RE: Climate Action Plan

Action Requested: That the City Commission consider approving the City's Climate Action Plan as provided by GZA Engineering.

Background: The City has set a goal for its operations to be carbon neutral by 2040. To accomplish this goal the City engaged GZA Engineering to assist with the development of a Climate Action Plan CAP, which is now ready for City Commission consideration.

The CAP provides an analysis of the City's current Scope 1 & Scope 2 Green House Gas (GHG) emissions and future projections. The analysis shows the City has already been taking steps to reduce its carbon footprint since 2017. It also identifies various steps for the city to consider in order to meet its 2040 goal.

Representatives of GZA will be attending the meeting to present and discuss the plan as well as answer any questions. City staff has already been moving forward with additional implementation steps while the plan was being developed.

In addition to the copy attached GZA has created a story board website to educate the public about our efforts as well as a flipbook so that the public can view the hole plan.

<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/519080089/>

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/6df51f56bfcd4f389bd46e11cc1d5ecc>

Both of these links will be posted on the City's website and we will begin to publicize this work upon the plan's approval by City Commission. An inventory of the City's current efforts can already be found on the City's website at - <https://www.eastgrmi.gov/360/Environmental>.

The Finance Committee has reviewed the plan and found it to be in order.

Shea Charles, City Manager