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Wellesley Climate Action Plan Underway

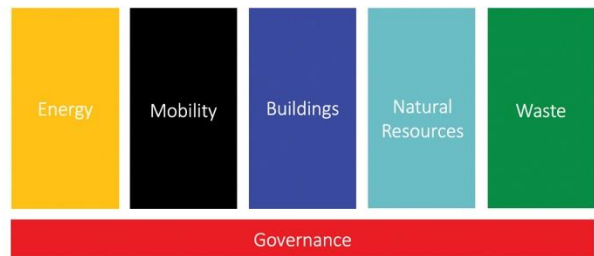
Greenhouse Gas Emissions Forecast and Mitigation Objectives Presented

Wednesday July 7, 2021 (Wellesley, MA) – More than 60 stakeholders participated in a working group meeting for the town of Wellesley’s climate action plan on Thursday June 17, 2021. Mike Steinhoff of Kim Lundgren Associates (KLA) provided an informative [presentation](#) on Wellesley’s greenhouse gas emissions, climate actions to date, and future climate change mitigation and resilience objectives. The planning process and an evaluation framework were reviewed, and attendees participated in breakout sessions to brainstorm possible emissions reduction actions for energy, mobility, buildings, natural resources, and waste pathways.

Next, climate action plan working group members will collaborate and engage with consulting firm KLA to evaluate and refine possible actions to meet Wellesley’s greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals and build resilience to climate change impacts.

“We are excited to be making progress on the climate action plan,” said Dr. Marybeth Martello, Wellesley’s Sustainability Director. “We expect to reach out to Wellesley residents with a survey in August to gather input. Working groups are identifying

Climate Action Plan Pathways



actions which will reduce future costs for Wellesley and improve our town’s ability to withstand effects of climate change.”

Public Engagement Timeline



The objectives of Wellesley’s climate action plan are to engage our community and establish goals, actions, metrics, and implementation blueprints for building resilience and achieving

net-zero emissions by 2050.

To learn more, visit <https://www.wellesleyma.gov/1584/Climate-Action-Plan>. Community participation is welcome! Please email comments and questions to ClimateAction@wellesleyma.gov.