
ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Energy Efficiency Project

- Project Investment = $8,900,000
- Energy cost savings - $368,000/year (projected)
  - Efficient HVAC, lighting
  - Use of Solar Power to offset use during peak demand times
- Provide EV recharging stations
- MSRC Clean Transportation Grant /SCE SGIP Rebates - $787,000

Program Components

Completed Items:

- Lighting Fixtures
- HVAC Units
- Solar Panels
  - City Hall Installation
  - IWGR Installation

Program Components

Pending Items:

- EV Chargers – Installation begins in March
- Connectivity Equipment
- Supply issues
- Within budget
- Project Completion – Fall/Winter 2023

Transition to Sustainability

- Mulch at IWGR
- Organic food waste recycling
- Expand purple pipe with CVWD
- Other sustainable practices

City Council Policy Discussion and Direction

- Monitor completion of the Energy Efficiency Program and report back to the City Council once complete.
- Apply for the Institute for Local Government Beacon Awards that the City may qualify.
- Replace the title of this goal to Sustainable Community Goal, that better reflects the various projects the City is working on.
- Examine opportunities to expand recycled water (purple pipe) infrastructure in the community, as well as other sustainable best practices.
- City Council to provide any further discussion and direction on other sustainable related initiatives for 2023.


Landscape
Uniformity
Highway
111







Hwy 111 – Water Conservation
Palm Tree Enhancement

Landscape Uniformity – Hwy 111

- Maintain iconic Indian Wells brand
- Remove/replace palm trees citywide
- Reduce turf along the Hwy 111 corridor
- Maintain tree inventory & add more trees citywide and on the golf course
- Explore grant opportunities

City Council Policy Discussion and Direction

- Request staff include an approved list of plants suitable to maintain the City's distinctive landscaping along Highway 111 into the General Plan update.
- Instruct staff to develop a multi-year phasing strategy to budget the removal and replacement of publicly owned palm trees throughout the City.
- Discuss and provide staff direction on a turf reduction program along Hwy 111.
- Examine grant opportunities to develop a citywide tree inventory and to plant new trees.
- Provide direction in staff researching opportunities to partner with commercial centers to control the landscaping along Hwy 111 or focus on development of landscaping standards for these areas.
- City Council to provide any further discussion and direction on other Hwy 111 landscaping related initiatives for 2023.