

Chapter 186

SUSTAINABLE GREENFIELD IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town of Greenfield 5-20-2015 by Order No. FY 15-140 (Ch. 34, Art. XIII, of the 2002 Bylaws). Amendments noted where applicable.]
§ 186-1. Establishment; membership. [Amended 7-13-2016 by Order No. FY 17-009]

The Mayor shall establish an eleven-member body called the "Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee" (SGIC) comprised of the Director of Public Works or his/her designee, the Energy/Sustainability Manager or his/her designee, the Director of Planning and Development or his/her designee, one Town Councilor appointed by the Town Council President, a representative of a youth-serving organization or school appointed by the Mayor, a member of the Planning Board appointed by the Chairperson of the Planning Board, and five members of the public appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Town Council. The Mayor shall be an ex-officio member with voting rights in the case of a tie vote. The Mayor and other appointing officials will endeavor to create a SGIC that accurately represents the gender, class, age, and racial backgrounds of all Greenfield residents.

§ 186-2. Purpose and goals.

- A. The Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee shall be the entity responsible for coordinating the implementation of Sustainable Greenfield, the Town's master plan. Additionally, the Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee's purpose is to assist the Town in meeting its Green Community obligations and 2050 goals by identifying, recommending and implementing programs that foster a vital, sustainable and resilient community, by addressing the oil depletion and climate change crisis, and the three interlocking aspects of sustainability: the economy, the environment, and society.
- B. To achieve its purpose, the Committee will work toward:
- (1) Community self-sufficiency;
 - (2) Economic vitality and resilience with living wage jobs;
 - (3) Quality, energy-efficient housing for diverse people and needs;
 - (4) Energy reduction and development of clean energy sources;
 - (5) Responsible use of natural resources such as land and water;
 - (6) Food security;
 - (7) Sustainable transportation options;
 - (8) Zero waste;
 - (9) Excellent quality of life for all;
 - (10) Ecosystem health; and

- (11) Other matters as the Mayor or Town Council or the Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee deems necessary.

§ 186-3. Appointment of citizen members; terms and vacancies; staff liaison.

- A. The Mayor shall appoint five citizen members of the Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee. Citizen members will hold three-year terms, with staggered reappointments. Initially, of the five members, two shall be appointed for three-year terms, two shall be appointed for two-year terms, and one will be appointed for a one-year term. Any vacancy in the membership of the Committee appointed by the Mayor shall be filled by the Mayor for the unexpired term of such member. **[Amended 7-13-2016 by Order No. FY 17-009¹]**
- B. The Mayor shall appoint a staff liaison to the Sustainable Greenfield Implementation Committee.

§ 186-4. Recommended member knowledge and skills.

Environmental sustainability is inherently a comprehensive and wide-reaching area of knowledge. Ideally, Committee members will possess a breadth and depth of knowledge from across related disciplines. Following is a list of knowledge and skills that are important to have in the skill set of those on the Committee in addition to skills brought to the Committee by Town staff:

- A. Project management and public relations.
- (1) Expertise in collaborating with project stakeholders.
 - (2) Creative problem-solving skills.
 - (3) Skill at researching and analyzing pertinent issues, including, at times, technical information.
- B. Economic.
- (1) Expertise in business, especially in supporting and expanding a vibrant local economy.
 - (2) Expertise in fund-raising and grant research and writing.
- C. Environment.
- (1) Knowledge of solutions to energy and climate change issues such as land use, infrastructure, energy reduction opportunities, transportation, housing and local zero carbon energy production.
 - (2) Knowledge of natural resources and how best to conserve them.
 - (3) Expertise in one or more areas of sustainability not yet widely represented on the Committee, such as biodiversity, water, food, recreation, education and the arts.

1. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

D. Quality of life issues.

E. Food: knowledge of food systems and ways to build local food security.

§ 186-5. Annual report.

The Committee shall present an annual report to the Mayor on or near December 31, highlighting its major activities and initiatives and progress toward its mission.

§ 186-6. Rules and regulations.

The Committee shall adopt its own rules and regulations.

