

## PARKS, RECREATION & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

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**To:** Alderpersons

From: Dean R. Gazza, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management

**Date:** April 26, 2018

**Re:** 2018 Sustainability Annual Update

The City of Appleton completed numerous sustainability initiatives during this past year including updating the Sustainability Plan, adopting a Health in all Policies Ordinance, approving Sustainability Resolution #21-R-17, adopting the updated Comprehensive Plan, developing a Trail Master Plan and updating the downtown parking study.

All of these initiatives have significant impacts on Sustainability throughout the City of Appleton. These initiatives and many more are captured and reported within the attached documents below.

- 2018 Update City of Appleton Sustainability Plan (Creating a Sustainable City)
- 2017 Green Tier Legacy Community Annual Report
- 2017 Green Tier Legacy Community Sustainable Strategies Scoresheet
- 2018 Sustainability Summit Memo

As a Green Tier Legacy Community we remain proactive in our commitment to sustainability. In the Sustainability Strategies Scoresheet we improved our overall score from 362 to 382 for 2017. Adopting the Health in all Policies Ordinance, obtaining Silver Level certification by the League of American Bicyclists and becoming a Bird City were the main reasons for this increase in overall score. Please refer to the 2017 GTLC Annual Report for a full list of achievements during 2017. Note that this past week the City of Appleton was recognized as one of the Greenest Cities by Insurify whom looked at vehicles in regards to how our citizens choose to drive, the vehicles they choose and how they drive them recognizing that we have a appreciably lower average household carbon footprint.

Last, please find a memo summarizing the attendance at the 2018 Sustainability Summit. In addition, we are currently in the process of dedicating a Sustainability link on the City of Appleton web site with the attachment above.

Please feel free to contact me at 832-5572 with any questions, or by email at <a href="mailto:dean.gazza@appleton.org">dean.gazza@appleton.org</a>.