

Princeton Environmental Commission  
2020 Goals

We will work to address and mitigate the causes and effects of climate change and to partner with the municipality, local nonprofits, Princeton University and the community to increase the effectiveness of our actions.

2019 Carry Over Goals:

- a) Secure adoption of the Backyard Chicken Ordinance. *(Scheduled for January consideration by Council).*
- b) Secure adoption of a Green Building and Environmental Sustainability Element (GBESE) for the town's master plan. *(In process with Planning Board, target completion date February 2020).*
  - i) *CAP objective 3.1: Adopt a GBESE into the Master Plan and integrate the principles of transit-oriented and location-efficient development.*

2020 Goals:

- a) Lead Green Building task force with the goal of establishing policy recommendations to advance net zero development in collaboration with other stakeholders in the community.
  - (a) *CAP objective 1.5: Adopt policies and procedures to ensure new buildings in the community achieve near zero net energy/fossil fuel-free performance.*
- b) Address the use of single use plastics, especially bags, in Princeton through the development and adoption of an ordinance if statewide legislation is not passed in January.
  - (a) *CAP objective 8.4: Develop and implement a cost effective plan to reduce the use of nonrecyclable items and ensure they are not replaced with ones that have a larger life-cycle emission footprint.*
- c) Secure adoption of an ordinance to accelerate the availability of EV charging infrastructure.
  - (a) *CAP objective 5.2: Require all new development to provide electric vehicle charging infrastructure in appropriate locations.*
- d) Revisit the stormwater management ordinance to bring it into compliance with the expected new DEP rules and to address redevelopment.\*
  - (a) *CAP objective 11.2: Adopt best practices for stormwater management to mitigate flooding from the 2-year storm (defined as 3.3" within 24 hours and below).*
  - (b) *CAP objective 11.6: Update the stormwater management ordinance to include redevelopment projects.*
- e) Continue to review site development plans.

\* *In partnership with the Flood and Stormwater Committee*