

**Town of Corte Madera
2023-2024 Climate Action Work Plan**

Priority	Strategy	Related CAP Action(s)	Timing	CAC Role
1	<p>Evaluate the County’s model reach codes for remodels and additions, conduct community outreach, and propose ordinance for consideration by Town Council. The code changes being considered as part of this strategy are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy efficiency and electrification requirements for single family residential renovations. • Electric vehicle infrastructure requirements for multi-family and commercial properties that modify their parking lots or electrical panel. • Cleanup of existing green building code and consideration of revising the definition of “new construction.” 	<p>CAP 1-1 Residential Green Building Ordinance</p> <p>CAP 2-5.b Require new and remodeled commercial and multi-family development to provide electric vehicle charging stations...</p>	<p>Bring draft ordinance to Council by August 2023</p>	<p>Provide input to staff, support community outreach, and make recommendations to Council during development of code.</p>
2	<p>Develop Townwide electric vehicle (EV) strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct site assessment to increase EV charging capacity on public property and in public spaces such as shopping areas. • Evaluate the Marin Countywide Electric Vehicle Acceleration Strategy and select additional actions to pursue to increase EV adoption in Corte Madera. 	<p>CAP 2-5 Electric Vehicles</p> <p>CAP 2-5a. Install electric vehicle charging stations in Town parking lots.</p>	<p>By end of year</p>	<p>Provide input on siting and type of public EV chargers and help evaluate Countywide EV Acceleration Strategy.</p>
3	<p>Develop and implement a climate outreach strategy, including online and in-person outreach, to support CAP strategies such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-3 Solar Energy • 1-4 Energy Efficiency • 1-7 Building and Appliance Electrification • 2-1 Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation • 2-5 Electric Vehicles • 3-1 Zero Waste • 4-1 Indoor Water Efficiency and Conservation • 4-2 Outdoor Water Efficiency and Conservation 	<p>Multiple</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Lead on events and presentations. Provide content to staff for review and posting on online platforms.</p>

4	Develop and implement necessary programs and measures to comply with SB 1383 requirements including mandates for container systems, education and outreach, monitoring and contamination reporting, and enforcement of regulations.	CAP 3-1 Zero Waste	Ongoing	Provide comment and advise Council if requested or desired.
5	Pursue a program through the Marin Energy Watch Partnership to replace gas water heaters in Town facilities with heat pump water heaters.	CAP 1-10 Municipal Energy Efficiency Projects	Dependent on staff availability	None
6	Begin researching automated solar permitting systems to comply with SB 379.	CAP 1-3 Solar Energy	Implementation required by September 30, 2024	None
7	Consider Reusable Foodware Ordinance.	CAP 3-1 Zero Waste		Provide comment, hold public meeting, and advise Council if requested or desired.
8	As part of the planned update to the fee schedule for Planning, Building, and Public Works Departments, consider structuring fees to incentivize electrification, such as by waiving or lowering fees for projects that replace natural gas appliances with electric ones.	CAP 1-7 Building and Appliance Electrification	Initiate update in fall 2023, may continue to 2024	Provide comment to staff on fee schedule.
9	Provide information on electrification at the permit counter and other points of contact with the building community and property owners. Provide resources to public to assist them in locating contractors who can complete electrification and energy efficiency projects.	CAP 1-7 Building and Appliance Electrification	Information at counter - ASAP Other points of contact – may continue to 2024	None
10	Research when electrical panel upgrades are needed and when they can be avoided, communicate findings to the public and Building Department staff, and ensure Town permit review is not unnecessarily requiring panel upgrades.	CAP 1-7 Building and Appliance Electrification	May continue to 2024	None
11	Participate in development of countywide electrification plan, which will include evaluating a time of burnout appliance electrification policy.	CAP 1-7 Building and Appliance Electrification	May continue to 2024	Provide feedback on plan through engagement process.

Ongoing Staff Climate-Related Responsibilities

- Participate in regional climate efforts, such as the Marin Climate and Energy Partnership (MCEP).
- Staff Climate Action Committee, including preparing agendas, packets, and minutes.
- Track available funding for climate projects, including grants, rebates, and other incentives, assess opportunities, and submit applications.
- Monitor state and federal sustainability-related requirements and ensure compliance.
- Advise Town Management regarding climate/sustainability best practices in municipal operations.