

PRESENT: Michelle Brown, Co-Chair
Todd Ernst, Co-Chair
Gina Antonacci
Andrea Carmona
Anthony Fernando
Mike Layton
John MacKenzie
Leah Nacua
Katelyn Poyntz
Christine Tu
David West

ABSENT: Erica Brabon
Claudia Dessanti
Chris Fonseca
Mehreen Khan
Maxx Kochar
Anthony Perruzza
Carolyn Scotchmer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Partners in Project Green Meeting #4/24 was held at Creekside Corporate Centre, 1875 Buckhorn Gate, Suite 601, Mississauga. The Co-Chair, Michelle Brown, called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

The Co-Chair recited the Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING #3/24, HELD ON JUNE 18, 2024

RES.#PPG 7/24

Moved By: Christine Tu

Seconded By: Andrea Carmona

THAT the meeting minutes from the June 18, 2024 Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee, be approved.

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1 PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN SITE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM OVERVIEW

RES.#PPG 8/24

Moved By: David West

Seconded By: Andrea Carmona

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the presentation by Matt Brunette, Program Manager regarding the Partners in Project Green Site Assessment Program Overview, be received for information.

Carried

6.2 REXDALE SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION PROGRAM (SNAP) URBAN AGRICULTURE IMPLEMENTATION INITIATIVE

RES.#PPG 9/24

Moved By: Christine Tu

Seconded By: John MacKenzie

THAT the presentation by Jennifer Taves, Senior Manager, Sustainable Communities regarding the Rexdale Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Program (SNAP) Urban Agriculture Implementation Initiative, be received for information.

Carried

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. ITEMS FOR PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN ACTION

8.1 2025 PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN PROPOSED MEETING CALENDAR

RES.#PPG 10/24

Moved By: David West

Seconded By: Christine Tu

THAT the 2025 meeting schedule be approved, subject to change, as outlined below:

#1/25, Tuesday, January 21, 2025;

#2/25, Tuesday, April 15, 2025;

#3/25, Tuesday, June 17, 2025; and

#4/25, Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

Carried

9. ITEMS FOR PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN INFORMATION

9.1 PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN UPDATE ON 2023-2026 PRIORITY AREAS AND WORKPLAN, OCT 15 2024

RES.#PPG 11/24

Moved By: John MacKenzie

Seconded By: Todd Ernst

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Partners in Project Green Update on 2023-2026 Priority Areas and Workplan, be received for information.

Carried

10. NEW BUSINESS

PPG is excited to present a webinar with Insurance Bureau of Canada. This workshop will cover the basic elements of business insurance, and how increasingly severe weather events caused by climate change affect insurance costs. The webinar will take place on Thursday, November 28th, 2024 from 1:00-2:00PM. For more information, please contact Charlotte Hung, Coordinator, Events and Communications at Charlotte.Hung@trca.ca

11. NOTICE

RES.#PPG 12/24

Moved By: Katelyn Poyntz

Seconded By: Gina Antonacci

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee adjourn the Governance portion of the meeting and move into Leadership Activities.

Carried

11.1 PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

11.2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

11.3 ROUNDTABLE UPDATE ON SUSTAINABILITY PRIORITIES

Jennifer Taves, Senior Manager, Sustainable Communities lead a discussion on sustainability priorities.

12. ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION by Christine Tu, the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Michelle Brown, Co-Chair

Todd Ernst, Co-Chair

Items for the Action of the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee

TO: Co-Chairs and Members of Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee
Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Meeting

FROM: Darryl Gray, Director, Education and Training

RE: **2025 PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

KEY ISSUE

Approval of the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee (PPG EMC) meeting schedule for 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the 2025 meeting schedule be approved, subject to change, as outlined below:

#1/25, Tuesday, January 21, 2025;
#2/25, Tuesday, April 15, 2025;
#3/25, Tuesday, June 17, 2025; and
#4/25, Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

BACKGROUND

As some members of PPG EMC participate in various boards and committees, staff have proposed the above noted meeting dates. All meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the majority of the meetings will be held virtually. Committee meetings may also take place as a hybrid option with in-person attendance at TRCA's Head Office at 5 Shoreham Drive, North York.

Relationship to TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan

This report supports the following Pillar and Outcome set forth in TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan:

Pillar 4 Service Excellence:

4.4 Transparent decision making and accountable results

Item 8.1

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Date: July 22, 2024

Items for the Action of the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee

TO: Chair and Members of the Partners in Project Green Executive Management Committee
Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Meeting

FROM: Darryl Gray, Director, Education and Training

RE: PARTNERS IN PROJECT GREEN UPDATE ON 2023-2026 PRIORITY AREAS AND WORKPLAN

KEY ISSUE

To provide an update on the status of the Partners in Project Green 2023-2026 Priority Areas and Workplan.

RECOMMENDATION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Partners in Project Green Update on 2023-2026 Priority Areas and Workplan, be received for information.

BACKGROUND

At PPG EMC Meeting #02/2024, held on April 23, 2024, Resolution #3/24 was approved as follows:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the enclosed update on the Partners in Project Green 2023-2026 Priority Areas and Workplan (Attachment 1), be received for information;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2023-2026 Workplan be adopted.

RATIONALE

Following the formal adoption of the 2023-2026 Workplan in April 2024, progress updates on workplan action items will be presented at each PPG EMC meeting. Please see Attachment 1 for the latest update.

Relationship to TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan

This report supports the following Pillar and Outcome set forth in TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan:

Pillar 2 Knowledge Economy:

2.2 Collaboration to advance a green transition

Item 9.1

DETAILS OF WORK TO BE DONE

The Workplan will continue to be implemented and status updates will be provided at all future PPG EMC meetings.

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Date: August 22, 2024

Attachments: 1

Attachment 1: PPG EMC Workplan, 2023-2026 Update October 15, 2024

Priority Action: Fleet Decarbonization

| Action | Status Update |
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| <p>Increase familiarity of medium and heavy duty fleet operators with various available low and no carbon technologies (e.g. battery electric, hydrogen, compressed/renewable natural gas, renewable diesel), along with the various aspects that need to be considered with transition (e.g. market availability and infrastructure, performance, environmental impacts).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 13, 2023: applied to NRCan Zero Emission Awareness Initiative: Medium and Heavy Duty; received full funding • 5 of 7 Futureproof Your Fleet workshops held, educating 159 people (target: 175) • 85% of participants report increasing their knowledge of zero-emission technologies for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles • 83% of participants report high likelihood of exploring zero-emission technologies for their fleets within the next 2-5 years • Four expert-developed resources and two video case studies in development • Online outreach and social media campaign has a reach of 81,428, 406,782 impressions, and 9,061 engagements |
| <p>Determine and implement programs/tools to assist organizations in supporting and adopting light and medium duty fleets.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sept 26, 2023: applied to NRCan Education and Awareness Project Funding – Clean Transportation and Clean Fuels to develop a light duty fleet transition program; unsuccessful • Continuing to explore resourcing opportunities |

Attachment 1: PPG EMC Workplan 2023-2026 Update October 2024



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Priority Action: Corporate Flood and Heat Risk

| Action | Status Update |
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| <p>Expand service area of Corporate Flood and Heat Risk Program by working with internal and external partners to identify program funding and alternative delivery models.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023/24: Continue to implement Greening Corporate Grounds (GCG) program in the City of Mississauga. • March 2024: Starting promotion for piloting CFHR assessments across TRCA’s jurisdiction with 2-3 sites. Conduct free outdoor flood and heat risk preparedness assessment and provide summary of best management practices. Currently, engaging with one ICI property to schedule a site assessment. Promoted the program to ICI properties in the Thornhill SNAP neighbourhood. Collaborated with GreenBiz Caledon program and completed 6 site assessments in Caledon. • 2024: With CVC, looking for additional funding opportunities to bring GCG and CFHR across additional jurisdictions. |
| <p>Develop strategies and tools to move organizations from onsite stormwater/heat risk management project concepts to implementation. This could include educational components, assessment programs, site drawings, incentives, and other means.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q2/Q3 2023: Launched publicly accessible educational modules (Introduction and Background of Flooding in the ICI Sector; Types of Flood Risk and TRCA Tools to Protect Your Business; Current Initiatives and Actions to Address Flood Risks; Use of Low Impact Developments & Green Infrastructure to help Manage on-site Stormwater Management Risks; Heat Risk Mitigation and Adaptation Module • March 22/24: On World Water Day, launched module: Understanding our Connection to Water: An Anishinaabe Woman’s Perspective • 2024: Offering financial incentives up to 5 businesses to implement LID/GI projects. Actively promoting the incentives program to PPG members. |
| <p>Explore integration with Climate Ready Towers Priority Action. Specifically, explore assisting MURBs and corporate properties with conducting climate risk assessments and implementing risk management solutions.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 7, 2024: Hosted ‘Climate Ready Towers Stakeholder Workshop’ with key municipal partners to identify gaps and potential opportunities • September 2024: Climate Ready Towers Report and Prioritization of Actions survey completed and sent to stakeholders |

Priority Action: Circular Economy

| Action | Status Update |
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| <p>Enhance current Circular Economy programs, including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Expand awareness and impact of existing programming (Material Exchange Program (MEX), Recycling Collection Drive (RCD), Circular Economy Leaders Consortium (CEC)) 2. Develop and implement circular economy projects, workshops, resources, and support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 21 and 22/23: Circular Procurement Essentials Workshop for CEC members • May 8 and June 12, 2024: Advanced and Category specific Procurement Workshops for CEC Members • April 2024 – piloted Region of Peel Earth Day RCD. 16 sites collected 17.5 tonnes of textiles and e-waste. • Q3 2024: campaign planned to increase current PPG member participation in MEX. |
| <p>Convene an industry roundtable focused on construction waste management. This session could include waste generators, waste haulers, and other stakeholders to determine the current state; identify key barriers to waste diversion and circularity in construction/retrofit projects; and determine key actions to minimize or remove those barriers.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q1/24: Built collaborative partnerships with organizations that have expertise in this area (Seneca, Circular Innovation Council) • Q2&3/24: Informational interviews with Black and McDonald, Unity Health, GTAA, BentallGreenOak to determine scope of roundtable • Q4/2024: Target date for roundtable |

Priority Action: Climate Ready Towers

| Action | Status Update |
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| <p>In collaboration with key stakeholders, review the current state of tower decarbonization / climate resiliency programs; identify key gaps in programming and barriers to implementation; distill best practices; and determine how to scale and deliver an impactful program that decarbonizes towers and builds climate resiliency within the tower community.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 7, 2024: Hosted ‘Climate Ready Towers Stakeholder Workshop’ with key municipal partners to identify gaps and potential opportunities • October 2024: Climate Ready Towers Report and Prioritization of Actions survey will be completed and sent to stakeholders |
| <p>Explore various funding models to deliver the work, secure funding, and develop and implement a workplan.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Program Home Retrofit program and resourcing model which may yield various funding opportunities that could also be applied to MURB climate action • Survey referenced above includes assessment of potential support |