

Green Team Charter

GreenStep Cities Internal Steering Committee

City of Savage

Naturally Resourceful

Mission: To consider and promote sustainable practices for the City's use of resources in its daily operations and delivery of services.

Goal: Within 5 years, complete all actions to be awarded Step 5 [Green Step Cities recognition](#).

Green Step Cities: Program Steps

Step 1	<u>Pass a Resolution: Commit to local sustainability</u>
Step 2	<u>Implement 6 best practices</u>
Step 3	<u>Implement 12 best practices</u>
Step 4	<u>Measure and report sustainability metrics</u>
Step 5	<u>Demonstrate 3 metric improvements</u>

Objectives:

- Maintain best practices database for GreenStep Cities program. Update it with new initiatives at least once per quarter.
- Defining, measure and report on sustainability outcome measures.
- Research and integrate sustainability, stewardship, and quality of life into the City's operations
 - Explore and solicit ideas from within home departments for ways to create more sustainable energy usage within the department.
 - Act as a clearing house for information, events, and training opportunities on sustainability so that other members of the organization can learn more about how sustainability can be achieved in their specific areas.
 - Recommend citywide policies to the City Administrator regarding sustainability.
- Provide GreenStep program updates for:
 - A yearly update on the Green Step program to City Council.
 - Ad hoc updates on the Green Step program to any interested Commissions or other community groups.
- Promote communication about sustainability by:
 - Engage staff internally in initiatives and best practices.
 - Educating community members about the city vision and desired outcomes.
 - Engaging residents, businesses and institutions to change their practices to help meet city goals.

Members:

Name	Title	Department
Casey Casella	Management Analyst	Administration
Jay Scherer	Chief Building Official	Community Development

Jesse Carlson	Water Resources Manager	Engineering
Jon Allen	Natural Resources Superintendent	Public Works
Katie Gieseke	Communications Specialist/Graphic Designer	Communications
Tammy Coyne	Administrative Clerk	Public Works

Meetings:

- Full group meetings quarterly – Jan, April, July and October
- Every 2 week check ins on initiative tracker until complete
- Annual report out to commissions and Council in January or July