



Economic and Development Services Department

Date: September 2, 2025

File: 12-03

To: Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee (O.E.A.C.)

From: Branden Morris, Planner B
Economic and Development Services Department

Re: 2026 O.E.A.C. Work Plan and Budget Submission

The purpose of this memo is to provide O.E.A.C. with a proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission for their consideration. Both the proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission are included in Attachment 1 of this Memorandum.

Under Section 14.1 of the Advisory Committees of Council Policy and Procedure, advisory committees are required to prepare an annual work plan and budget submission for the upcoming year.

Recommendation

Option 1:

In the event O.E.A.C. wishes to accept the proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission as contained in Attachment 1 to this Memorandum, the following motion should be made:

That, pursuant to Report OEAC-25-29 dated September 2, 2025, the proposed Work Plan and Budget as contained in Attachment 1 to said Report be submitted as the O.E.A.C.'s 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission.

Option 2:

In the event O.E.A.C. wishes to form a working group for the purposes of reviewing the proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission as contained in Attachment 1 of this Memorandum, the following motion should be made:

That, pursuant to Report OEAC-25-29 dated September 2, 2025, a 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission Working Group be created in order to review the proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget submission as contained in Attachment 1 of said Report, and report back to the October 7, 2025 O.E.A.C. meeting with any proposed changes.

If you have any questions please contact Branden Morris at 905-436-3311, extension 2449 or by email to bmorris@oshawa.ca.

Branden Morris, Planner B
Planning Services

Attachment

2026 Proposed O.E.A.C. Budget

Program: 120 – ADVISORY COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Location: 402 – Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee (O.E.A.C.)

Account	Description	2025 Approved Budget	2026 Proposed Budget	Comments
N/A	Donations	\$0	\$0	
20000	Office Materials & Supply	\$300	\$300	
21000	Printing & Reproduction	\$500	\$500	
40000	Advertising	\$4,800	\$2000	OEAC never uses the full amount. Moved some of the funds to the Events/Promo Expenses account.
44000	Civic Reception & Meals	\$500	\$500	
47000	Seminars & Training	\$0	\$0	
48000	Membership & Dues	\$200	\$200	
49330	Events/Promo Expenses	\$9,500	\$11,300	
	Total Expenses			
	Total Revenues			
	Total Remaining		\$15,800	
	TOTAL	\$15,800		

2026 O.E.A.C. Work Plan

Mandate: To assist, advise and educate City Council, staff and the community with respect to the protection, enhancement, restoration, management and appreciation of the natural and built environments, and to advance the goals of the [Oshawa Strategic Plan](#).

Action	Examples of Actions to be Taken	Timing	Lead	Support
Category #1: Community Outreach, Education and Stewardship				
Explore public outreach opportunities to increase community knowledge/ education with respect to significant environmental issues and which accelerate the community's adoption or commitment to such issues as energy conservation, local food production, greenhouse gas emissions, water conservation, etc.	Participate in/collaborate on events related to Earth Day	April 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Host an event related to native plants and pollinators as a "Bee City", ideally collaborating with other relevant clubs or organizations	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Booth at Oshawa Garden Sale	May 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Booth at the Feathered Friends Festival by the Friends of Second Marsh	TBD	Friends of the Second Marsh	O.E.A.C.
	Assist with City Compost Day	Fall 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Booth at Oshawa Peony Festival	Summer 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Booth at City's Canada Day event	July 1, 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Booth at Farmers Markets	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff

	Collaborate on a joint event with the Oshawa Public Library, the Durham Environmental and Climate Change Advisory Committee (DECAC), Green Jobs Oshawa, Climate Justice Durham, Ontario Tech University, and/or Durham College	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
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	Host a tree giveaway event	Fall 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Host a Fall Film Night Event	Fall 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Participate in Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority initiatives and activities	TBD	CLOCA	O.E.A.C.
	Host a public engagement event on environmental issues	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Pursue different advertising methods as identified	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Other opportunities, as identified	TBD	N/A	N/A

Explore education and training opportunities for O.E.A.C. members and the public.	<p>Seek out education opportunities and engage DECAC to increase collaboration (e.g. presentations, workshops, etc.) related to the following topics, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agriculture and food security; relevant federal and provincial environmental legislation; forests, native and invasive species; net-zero development; bird-window collisions and the Fatal Light Awareness Program (F.L.A.P.); the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe; soil quality; and road salt/sodium chloride pollution 	TBD	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Other topics, as identified 	TBD	N/A	N/A

Category #2: Policy Review, Development and Implementation

Assist, where appropriate, in the review, development and implementation of Regional environment/sustainability-related Plans, policies and programs.	Provide input on and assist in the implementation of certain Regional environment/sustainability-related matters.	As required	City Staff	O.E.A.C.
	Other opportunities, as identified.	As required	City Staff	O.E.A.C.
Assist, where appropriate, in the review, development and implementation of City environment/sustainability-related Plans, policies and programs.	Provide input and assist in the implementation of certain City environment/sustainability-related matters.	As required	City Staff	O.E.A.C.
	Other opportunities, as identified.	As required	N/A	N/A
Assist, where appropriate, in the review of plans, documents, studies, etc. related to planning and development.	Provide input on certain planning and development related matters, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certain development applications; Environmental assessments; Part II Plans; Provincial planning initiatives; New and existing trail development initiatives; Park 	As required	City Staff	O.E.A.C.

	redevelopment and community park development initiatives; Watercourse improvement projects; Oshawa Harbour Development; Go Transit Expansion (Metrolinx); Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority Watershed Plans; Lake Ontario Shoreline Hazard Management Plan; and, Imagine Oshawa Official Plan Review.			
	Other opportunities, as identified.	As required	N/A	N/A
Category #3: Administration				
Complete basic administrative tasks to facilitate the completion of and reporting on actions in Categories 1 & 2.	Provide a summary of 2025 accomplishments to the Economic and Development Services Committee.	Q1 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff
	Create a calendar of O.E.A.C's events for the year, establishing an itinerary for timely planning.	Q1 2026	O.E.A.C.	City Staff