



THE ACTION

Large fleet owners like the city, schools, and transit agencies prioritize purchasing zero-emission and electric vehicles.

THE IMPACT

It could be initially costly to buy new equipment and install charging infrastructure. However, this would lower emissions from transportation.

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THE ACTION

Invest in infrastructure that supports non-motorized transportation such as expanding Divvy, more bike infrastructure, walking, and traffic calming structures like speed bumps.

THE IMPACT

Air pollutants will be decreased as non-motorized transportation increases. More people biking could improve health outcomes, but not everyone may feel safe on a bicycle.



THE ACTION

Lobby the State to increase regulations on the emissions from industrial sites.

THE IMPACT

This could improve air quality for people living near the sites. It can be challenging to generate political will to change regulations and could take a long time.



THE ACTION

Require that new buildings in Evanston be built fossil fuel free, meaning no new buildings can have gas connections.

THE IMPACT

There would be improved air quality, lower fire hazard, and new buildings would have no gas bill and no gas emissions. This would help the City reach 100% renewable energy for all Evanston properties by 2030.



THE ACTION

The City as well as commercial properties purchase 100% renewable electricity for all buildings in Evanston.

THE IMPACT

It may be difficult to get all properties to participate without a mandate or requirement. It could be challenging for some building types like grillstyle restaurants. Net-zero greenhouse emissions building standards would help reduce the carbon emissions from Evanston buildings which in turn would have a positive effect on air quality in the City.

