



Sustainable Connecticut Community Certification Report

This is the Sustainable Connecticut Certification Report of New Britain, a Sustainable Connecticut silver certified applicant.

New Britain was certified on October 27, 2020 with 490 points. Listed below is information regarding New Britain's Sustainable Connecticut efforts and materials associated with the applicant's certified actions.

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Actions Implemented

Each approved action and supporting documentation for which New Britain was approved for in 2020 appears below. Please enjoy this opportunity to view and learn from the information and materials provided.

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1. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts

1.1 Optimize for Equity – REQUIRED

30 Points

Approved Information: 9.1 - Optimize for Equity - Action 5.5 - Implement Complete Streets / Bike New Britain Partnership, (10 points), updated 8/24/20 9.1 - Optimize for Equity - Action 7.4 - Encourage Healthy Food / Roots NB Partnership, (10 points), updated 8/20/20 9.1 - Optimize for Equity - Action 3.2 - Creative Culture / Jubilee Street Mural, (10 points), 2019

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [OPT FOR EQUITY ACTION 1 - MARCH 2020 BIKE NB MEETING AGENDA \(SUPPORTING DOCUMENT\)](#)

PDF: [OPTIMIZE FOR EQUITY ACTION 3 - JUBILEE STREET MURAL - RELATED TO ACTION 3.2 SUPPORT ARTS AND CREATIVE CULTURE](#)

PDF: [OPT FOR EQUITY ACTION 1 - APRIL 2020 BIKE NB MEETING AGENDA \(SUPPORTING DOCUMENT\)](#)

WORD: [OPTIMIZE FOR EQUITY ACTION 2 - ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SUSTAINABLE FOOD NETWORK.DOCX](#)

PDF: [OPTIMIIZE FOR EQUITY ACTION 1 - BIKE NEW BRITAIN PARTNERSHIP - RELATED TO ACTION 5.5 - PROMOTE PUBLIC TRANSIT AND OTHER MOBILITY STRATEGIES](#)

Documentation Details: Optimize for Equity Action 1 - Bike New Britain partnership - Document provides detail about the City partnership with Bike New Britain on several current capital projects & addresses the equity requirements listed in the Sustainable CT's Equity Toolkit Optimize for Equity Action 2 - City Partnership with NB Roots - Document provides detail about our City's partnership with NB Roots, the City's Food Policy Group, and our efforts to address Food Security in New Britain & addresses the equity requirements listed in the Sustainable CT's Equity Toolkit Optimize for Equity Action 3 - Jubilee Street Mural - Document provides detail about the Jubilee Street Mural project and our efforts to address Food Security in New Britain & addresses the equity requirements listed in the Sustainable CT's Equity Toolkit- was approved in the Spring 2020 application

Partners: City of New Britain Mayor's Office City's Public Works, Police, Parks and Recreation, and Health Departments City's Board of Education Bike-Walk CT Bike New Britain Roots New Britain New Britain Roots Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) City's Art Commission

Additional Information: N/A

2. Thriving Local Economies

2.1 Support Redevelopment of Brownfield Sites

50 Points

Approved Information: 1.1.2 Brownfields Map (5 points) 3/19/20 1.1.4 EPA Brownfields Application (10 points) 3/19/20 1.1.5 Bosco Drive RAR (10 points) 3/19/20 1.1.5 Phase 1 ESA Dwight Court (10 points) 3/19/20 1.1.8. Columbus Commons (15 points) 3/19/20 1.1.8 Columbus Commons Article 3/19/20

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [1.1.1. BROWNFIELD INVENTORY.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.2. BROWNFIELDS MAP.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.4. 2019 EPA BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT APPLICATION.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.5. 1 BOSCO DRIVE RAR - 10.31.19.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.5. PHASE I ESA - 24 DWIGHT COURT - FINAL.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.7. ADVERTISED BROWNFIELD SITES _ SCREENSHOTS.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.8. COLUMBUS COMMONS.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1.8. HARTFORD COURANT ARTICLES RE_COLUMBUS COMMONS.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 1.1.1 Brownfield Inventory 1.1.2 Brownfields Map 1.1.4 EPA Brownfields Assessment 1.1.5 Bosco Drive RAR 1.1.5 Phase 1 ESA Dwight Court 1.1.7 Advertised Brownfields Site 1.1.8 Columbus Commons

2.3 Inventory and Promote Local Retail Options

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.3.1: Inventory Local Retail Options (10 points), updated July 2020

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [1.3.1 BUSINESS INVENTORY.DOCX](#)

Documentation Details: 1.3.1: - Both the inventories and map of businesses are linked in document "1.3.1 Business Inventory.docx".

Partners: 1.3 Inventory and Promote Local Retail Options: Collaborating with Downtown District and New Britain Chamber of Commerce. www.newbritaindd.com (New Britain Downtown District) www.greaternewbritainchamber.com (Greater New Britain Chamber of Commerce) <https://www.paf-ct.org/polonia-business-association>

Additional Information: N/A

3. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

3.4 Develop an Open Space Plan

20 Points

Approved Information: 2.4.1: Develop an Open Space Plan: Completed Inventory (5 points), (December 2010) 2.4.2: Develop an Open Space Plan: Prioritize Resources (5 points), (December 2010) 2.4.3: Develop an Open Space Plan (10 points), (December 2010)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.4.1 OPEN SPACE PLAN - PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT](#)

Documentation Details: 2.4.1 - Plan of Conservation and Development -The City of NB POCD 2010-2020 is attached. The Open Space Plan section begins on pg 63, the inventory is pg 64, Open Space map # 16, pg 65. The City will begin a POCD update in the coming fiscal year including open space assessment and planning. 2.4.2: As a heavily developed municipality the city of NB has most of it's open space protected as City parks, watershed land, land trust, property or under conservation easements. No new acquisition is foreseen. 2.4.3 - NA The City of NB has no comprehensive Open Space Plan, per se. NB Water Bureau oversees watershed mgt. Public Works/ Parks and Rec. Dept. oversee park mgt. 2.4.4 - The 2020-2030 POCD planning efforts will give due consideration to Open Space considerations. NB Water Dept. and Parks and Rec. will continue responsible mgt. of their resources. 2.4.4a - All public park and watershed land is fully protected by municipal ownership, virtually all other viable open space land is protected by conservation easement or land trust ownership. 2.4.4b - None planned. As a heavily developed urban community, there is virtually no potential for additional open space acquisition.

3.6 Manage for Drought and Municipal Water Use

5 Points

Approved Information: 2.6.2 Drought Restriction Ordinance (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [NB EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN DEC 2019 \(UNDER REVISION\)](#)

PDF: [WATER USE RESTRICTION ORDINANCE](#)

PDF: [WATER FAQS 2020](#)

PDF: [WATER SAVERS 2020](#)

Documentation Details: While New Britain currently has no formal policy in place to utilize WaterSense labeled products, it does, however, have a robust Drought Communications Plan which includes: · Emergency Sources · Drought Response Stage triggers · Who should be notified and what actions are to be taken by phase. In addition, the New Britain Common Council has enacted an Ordinance outlining Water Use Restrictions when the City has imposed restricted water use contingent on the State's water use restrictions. Also, to assist our customers, two documents "FAQs" and "Water Savers" reside on the City's website to assist the customers with water conservation ideas that can be used at any time – not just when water use is restricted.

Partners: · New Britain Common Council · American Water Works Association · CT DPH

4. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

4.1 Map Tourism and Cultural Assets

10 Points

Approved Information: 3.1.1: Interactive Online Tourist and Cultural Asset Resource (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.1.2. CT VISIT PROFILE.PDF](#)

PDF: [3.1.1 \(A,B,C\) TOURISM AND CULTURAL ASSET RESOURCE.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [3.1.1D DESCRIPTION OF WEBSITE MAINTENANCE.JPG](#)

PDF: [3.1.1D INVOICE FROM AXIM DESIGN WEBSITE MAINTENANCE 1.PDF](#)

PDF: [3.1.1D INVOICE FROM AXIM DESIGN WEBSITE MAINTENANCE 2.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 3.1.1 a-c are shown in document "3.1.1 (a,b,c) Tourism and Cultural Asset Resource.pdf". Follow the links to view the Visit New Britain website. 3.1.1d, the maintenance plan for the website, is supported by three documents: - "3.1.1d Description of Website Maintenance.JPG" shows an email exchange between CRCOG Fellow Kelly-Anne and Dave Huck, an employee in the Mayor's Office. It describes that an outside marketing firm maintains the Visit New Britain website. - "3.1.1d Invoice from Axim Design Website Maintenance 1.pdf" and the second invoice attached shows payment for services to the marketing firm that maintains the Visit New Britain website. Document "3.1.2. CT Visit Profile.pdf" contains the link to New Britain's CT Visit page.

Partners: N/A

Additional Information: N/A

4.2 Support Arts and Creative Culture

25 Points

Approved Information: 3.2-1 - Establish a Poet Laureate, (5 points) 3.2-2 - Include Art and culture in publicly available media, (5 points), City website & Visit NB website 3.2-3 - Commit Dedicated Funding to the Arts, (5 points), Beehive Bridge Construction, Parks & Rec. Music Series Funding 3.2-4 - Establish a percent art/public art program, (5 points), Per City Ordinance 3.2-9 - Establish an annual recognition program for artists, (5 points) 3.2-11 - Support local artists, (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.2-HIGH VOLTAGE ART PROJECT - CALL TO ARTISTS](#)

PDF: [3.2-BEES ACROSS NEW BRITAIN PRESS RELEASE FOR DEDICATION CEREMONY](#)

PDF: [NB CODE OF ORDINANCES - SEC. 2-584 - PROMOTION OF PUBLIC ARTS](#)

PDF: [BEEHIVE BRIDGE - SCULPTURE COMPONENT BID TABULATION](#)

PDF: [3.2-OCT 10, 2019-ART & ECONOMIC IMPACT PRESENTATION FOR DECD HOSTED EVENT](#)

WORD: [3.2-SUPPORT ARTS AND CREATIVE CULTURE-OVERVIEW](#)

Partners: New Britain Museum of American Art (NBMAA) - Partner on initiative to place sculptures in public owned spaces (Walnut Hill park & Central Park) New Britain Arts Alliance - Partner on High Voltage Art & Bees Across New Britain projects New Britain Arts Commission - Partner on High Voltage Art & Bees Across New Britain projects Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) - Funding agency & partner on Jubilee Street Mural Project YWCA Eastside Community Center

Additional Information: We believe the numerous, very recent and on-going large scale Public Art initiatives we're either completed or are still in process should be considered in our scoring in this category. We've invested countless hours and millions of dollars bringing art to the street and to the public on a number of projects like Bees Across New Britain, our High Voltage Art project, the Bee Hive Bridge, etc... Each of these projects involved a great number of people and partnerships to make happen, and demonstrate New Britain commitment to supporting the arts and a creative culture within our community.

5. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

5.1 Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development

60 Points

Approved Information: 4.1.1b: Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development (40 points), POCD adopted December 2010 4.1.2a: Integrate Sustainability into Zoning Regulations (20 points), zoning regulations last updated October 2015

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [4.1: PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT](#)

WORD: [4.1.1B WORKSHEET B REVISED.DOCX](#)

WORD: [ZONING ORDINANCES OCTOBER 25 2015 \(002\).DOC](#)

WORD: [4.1.2 WORKSHEET C REVISED.DOCX](#)

Documentation Details: 4.1.1: - The City of NB POCD 2010-2020 is attached in document "4.1: Plan of Conservation and Development". - The worksheet detailing where sustainability concepts can be found in the POCD is in document "4.1.1b Worksheet B REVISED.docx". 4.1.2: - The City of New Britain Zoning Ordinances are in document "Zoning Ordinances OCTOBER 25 2015 (002).doc". - See "4.1.2 Worksheet C REVISED.docx" to find pages and sections where sustainability concepts are included in the zoning regulations.

Partners: N/A

Additional Information: The City will begin a POCD update in the coming fiscal year.

5.2 Adapt Permitting Process to Promote Sustainable Development

5 Points

Approved Information: 4.2.1: Adapt Permitting Process to Promote Sustainable Development: Develop sustainability checklists (5 points), updated June 2020

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [SECTION 4.2 - REVISED SITE PLAN CHECK LIST](#)

PDF: [4.2 - SUBMISSION DESCRIPTION](#)

Documentation Details: 4.2.1: - Checklists give consideration to wetlands, flood zones, etc. but limited in regard to other sustainability principles, at this time. Sustainability aspects are highlighted in yellow in document "Section 4.2 - Revised Site Plan Check List". - A description of how the city updated this action from previous feedback can be found in document "4.2 - Submission Description".

Partners: N/A

Additional Information: N/A

5.5 Inventory and Assess Historic Resources

5 Points

Approved Information: 4.5.1: Inventory and Assess Historic Resources: Identify priority historic assets (5 points), updated 3/17/20

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [4.5.1 PROTECTED PROPERTIES BY DISTRICT](#)

PDF: [1996 HISTORIC SURVEY INTRO AND GRAND LIST.PDF](#)

PDF: [AGREEMENT WITH SHPO.PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE 169 LINDEN.PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE 169 LINWOOD.PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE 889 W MAIN.PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE 1928 STANLEY ST.PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE ALLEN ST \(1\).PDF](#)

PDF: [SAMPLE ALLEN ST.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 4.5.1: The City of NB conducted a city wide historic planning study in 2010 and adopted a Historic Preservation Ordinance: http://www.newbritainct.gov/gov/boards/historic_preservation.htm (#1 & #2) Additionally studies for the Downtown Historic district and Walnut Hill Historic district can also be found on the Historic Preservation Commission webpage. The list of properties subject to protection our Historic Preservation Ordinance is attached as is the city's National Historic district map. 4.5.2: NA. Current budget and staffing precludes such efforts at this time. 4.5.3: The Historic Preservation Commission webpage includes resources connecting property owners to state and private funding resources and to qualified architects, contractors and suppliers. These materials as well as a Historic Preservation Commission brochure is also made available to the public in the City Planning Office. http://www.newbritainct.gov/gov/boards/historic_preservation.htm (items 13a-13d). The City currently has approximately 333 properties that are subject to review under as well as nearly 300 other properties deemed potentially eligible and subject to historic demolition review provisions. 4.5.4: NA. The City has not pursued Local Gov't. status at this time.

6. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

6.1 Implement Complete Streets

110 Points

Approved Information: 5.1.1: Build a Complete Streets Team (5 points), on-going 2020 5.1.2: City Official or Staff Member participate in Complete Streets Training (5 points), on-going 2020 5.1.3 Complete Streets Policy (20 points) 5.1.4 Review of planning and design documents (10 points) 5.1.5: Bicycle Friendly Community Designation (10 points), latest award fall 2019 5.1.6: Implementation Projects (60 points Max), on-going 2020

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.1.5-2019 LEAUGE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS BFC BRONZE AWARD](#)

PDF: [5.1.5 & 6 - BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY EFFORTS](#)

PDF: [5.1.6 - NB COMPLETE STREETS PHASE 5 PROJ. BEEHIVE BRIDGE - PRESENTATION \(HAS BEFORE & AFTER IMAGES\)](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6 - NB COMPLETE STREETS PHASE 4 PROJ. COLUMBUS BLVD ROADABOUT PIC-1](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6 - NB COMPLETE STREETS PHASE 4 PROJ. COLUMBUS BLVD ROADABOUT PIC-2](#)

PDF: [5.1.6-HARTFORD ROAD SIDEWALKS - CONCEPT DESIGN PLAN \(CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED IN 2019\)](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6 - CSP5, BEEHIVE BRIDGE, SUNSET PHOTO](#)

PDF: [5.1.4, 5 & 6 - NB CITY-WIDE BICYCLE CONNECTIVITY MAP](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6 - CSP5, BEEHIVE BRIDGE, SEPT. 2019 DEDICATION CEREMONY PHOTO](#)

PDF: [5.1.4&6 - DOWNTOWN NB COMPLETE STREETS PROJECTS STATUS MAP](#)

PDF: [5.1.4. - NB TOD BAR GRANT FOR STATION AREAS](#)

PDF: [5.1.3-NB CITY COUNCIL COMPLETE STREETS RESOLUTION](#)

PDF: [5.1.4. JOHN DOWNEY DRIVE SCHEMATIC PLANS](#)

PDF: [5.1.3-NB CITY COUNCIL BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY RESOLUTION](#)

PDF: [5.1.3 - MAYOR ERIN STEWART COMPLETE STREETS POLICY MEMO TO STAFF](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6 - STANLEY LOOP TRAIL - PHASE 1 PROJECT SIGN](#)

PDF: [5.1.6 - STANLEY LOOP TRAIL - PHASE 1 & 2 MAP](#)

PDF: [5.1 - COMPLETE STREETS - DESCRIPTION OF ACTIONS \(5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.4, 5.1.5, 5.1.6\)](#)

PDF: [5.1.3 - COMPLETE STREETS POLICY - EMAIL TO KEY STAFF MEMBERS](#)

Documentation Details: Refer to the attached document titled: "5.1 - Complete Streets - Description of Actions (5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.4, 5.1.5, 5.1.6)". This document describes the New Britain's efforts related to Implementing Complete Streets, building a Complete Streets team, participating in Complete Streets training, our Complete Streets Ordinance, Complete Streets Planning Documents, our Bronze Level Bicycle Friendly Community Designation, and a description on four of our Complete Streets Implementation Projects and Initiatives. Each section of this document also identifies which of the other attached documents applies to the section being discussed.

Partners: Capital Region Council of Governments (CROCOG) - Big supporter of the City's Complete Streets project, and helped facilitate funding for some of our projects. Connecticut Department of Transportation (CDOT) - Big supporter of the City's Complete Streets work, and also major partner on several projects and most notably our Phase 5, Beehive Bridge project. Bike Walk CT - A major partner to both the City, and our local bicycle advocacy group, Bike New Britain. Together we've partnered on a number of events from our annual child and bike safety focused "Bicycle Rodeos" to our annual National Bike to Work Days events, and 4 year partnership on the Discover CT Bicycle Tours which have been based out of the New Britain Museum of American Art in 2019, 2018, 2016, and 2015. Several citizen and stake holder working groups were also involved in the implementation of the City's Complete Streets Master Plan, Bicycle Connectivity Plan, and planning for projects like the Beehive Bridge.

Additional Information: Working with Alyssa Norwood, the City's Director of Public Works, Mark Moriarty, served as the co-chair of the transportation working group that helped determine the sustainable transportation related criteria that municipalities would need to satisfy to achieve Sustainable CT recognition. All of the meetings held to discuss and determine this criteria were held right in New Britain City Hall. Director of Public Works Moriarty still also serves on the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Committee.

6.2 Promote Effective Parking Management

10 Points

Approved Information: 5.2.1 Promote Effective Parking Management (10 points), created 9/8/2016 5.2.1 Discussed at open Parking Commission Meeting with Public and City Staff where the parking needs assessment was presented, commission meeting 10/18/2016

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.2 PROMOTE EFFECTIVE PARKING MANAGEMENT - PARKING NEEDS ASSESSMENT](#)

Documentation Details: The entire document represents what section 5.2 to "Promote Effective Parking Management." Pages 1-12, explain in detail the current parking structure and available parking for the City of New Britain. Pages 12-16, Section 5, discusses our current status and alternatives available for parkers in the City as well as trends and differences from surrounding towns. Section 6, pages 16-20, discusses financial ways to be able to promote effective parking strategies and how to stay competitive and profitable. Pages 21-27, are tables reflective of the capital projects/needs required to keep the buildings in good standing order and up to date.

Partners: Desman Design Management conducted the study. None helped to implement.

6.3 Encourage Smart Commuting

15 Points

Approved Information: 5.3 Encourage Smart Commuting (15 Points), ongoing 2020

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.3 - CTRIDES PARTNERS](#)

IMAGE: [5.3 - CTRIDES - BIKE NEW BRITAIN LINK FOR BICYCLE AND WALKING INFORMATION](#)

PDF: [5.3 - ENCOURAGE SMART COMMUTING - DESCRIPTION OF ACTIONS](#)

PDF: [5.3 - SAMPLE BIKE TO WORK DAY & ANNUAL BIKE RODEO FLIERS FROM 2019](#)

IMAGE: [5.3-2018 BIKE NEW BRITAIN GRAND OPENING & RIBBON CUTTING CELEBRATION](#)

Documentation Details: The document titled "5.3 - Encourage Smart Commuting - Description of Actions" provides a detailed description of some of the recent work the City has done related to encouraging smart commuting. This documents should probably be read first. The other uploaded files such as the event fliers, information from the CTRides website, and picture of the Bike New Britain Headquarters ribbon cutting were included to just support and validate the written description.

Partners: CT Rides Bike-Walk CT Bike New Britain New Britain Downtown District Connecticut department of Transportation (CDOT) Capital Region Council of Governments (CROG)

6.4 Support Zero Emission Vehicle Deployment

5 Points

Approved Information: 5.4.4: Support Zero Emission Vehicle Deployment - EV Charging Stations (5 points), 2015 Implementation

Supporting Documentation:

IMAGE: [5.4-SZCZNEY PARKING GARAGE EV CHARGING STATION PHOTO](#)

IMAGE: [5.4-BLOGOSLAWSKI PARKING GARAGE EV CHARGING STATION PHOTO](#)

IMAGE: [5.4-MAIN ST MUNI PARKING LOT EV CHARGING STATION](#)

PDF: [5.4-SUPPORT ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE DEPLOYMENT-DESCRIPTION FO ACTIONS](#)

Documentation Details: The document titled "5.4 - Support Zero Vehicle Emission Deployment - Description of Actions" provides a detailed description of some of the recent work the City has done related to support reducing vehicle emissions. This documents should be read first. The other uploaded files were included to just support and validate the written description, and simple include photos of the EV Changing Stations that were installed and a copy of our Public Works Department's No Vehicle Idling Policy.

Partners: City of New Britain worked with the partners listed below primarily as they providing funding for the installation of the EV Charging Station. City staff took the lead managing al aspects of the installation of the EV Charging Stations. CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) Eversource Energy Central CT State University (CCSU)

6.5 Promote Public Transit and Other Mobility Strategies

30 Points

Approved Information: 5.5.2: Bike education (5 points), July 2019 5.5.3: Bike/Ped Audit (10 points), revised 8/20/2020 5.5.4: Bike/Ped Plan (10 points), April 2013 5.5.6: Shared Mobility Services (15 points), bike share currently occurring

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.5 - ZAGSTER MICRO-MOBILITY & BIKE SHARE CROG PROPOSAL](#)

PDF: [CITY OF NEW BRITAIN - 2020 BICYCLE NETWORK MAP](#)

PDF: [5.5 - DESCRIPTION ABOUT ACTIONS - 5.5.2, 5.5.3, 5.5.4, 5.5.6](#)

PDF: [CITY OF NEW BRITIAN - 2020 BICYCLE NETWORK INVENTORY](#)

PDF: [MARCH 2020 CROG LETTER - UPDATE ABOUT CROG REGION BIKE SHARE PRORGAM](#)

PDF: [JULY 2020 - CROG UPDATE EMAIL - REGIONAL BIKE SHARE PRORGAM](#)

Documentation Details: See attached document titled "5.5 - Description of Actions". This document explains our work for the four areas under this section that we are applying for points for. Other attachments are included as back-up data to the written description.

Partners: Bike New Britain - local bicycle advocacy group and community partner on events and planning bicycle network projects Connecticut Department of Transportation (CDOT) - Partner & funding agency Capital Region Council Of Governments (CROG) - Lead Regional Micro-mobility / Bikeshare project that selected Zagster, also funding partner

7. Renewable and Efficient Energy Infrastructure and Operations

7.1 Benchmark and Track Energy Use

5 Points

Approved Information: 6.1.1 Benchmark and Track Energy Use (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [SECTION 6.1 - COPY OF 2019 ANNUAL REPORT PORTFOLIO MANAGER.XLSX](#)

Documentation Details: The above is the entire portfolio manager annual report for year 2019. You can find the information for both sections 6.1.1 and 6.1.2.

7.5 Develop a Municipal Energy Plan

10 Points

Approved Information: 6.5.1 a: Develop a Municipal Energy Plan (10 points), updated 1/16/20 6.5.1 b: Develop a Municipal Energy Plan proof of adoption (10 points), updated 01/27/17

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [6.5.1A MUNICIPAL ENERGY PLAN - SMART CITY INITIATIVE](#)

PDF: [6.5.1B MUNICIPAL ENERGY PLAN RESOLUTION COUNCIL APPROVAL.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.5 WORKSHEET.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 6.5.1a Is our SMART City Initiative that includes a Municipal Energy Plan. 6.5.1b Is our SMART City Resolution initiative approved by the Council. "6.5 Worksheet.pdf" is the worksheet that lists where all of the required information is in the Municipal Energy Plan

Partners: N/A

Additional Information: N/A

7.6 Install Efficient Exterior Lighting

5 Points

Approved Information: 6.7.1 Plan and Convert Utility-Owned Street Lights (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [6.7.1 INITIATION TO BEGIN CONVERSION FROM EVERSOURCE](#)

Documentation Details: 6.7.1 Document made it clear to Eversource that we currently were not going to continue to pursue the Street Light purchase and for them to begin the conversion. They started the conversion quickly and have completed most fixtures.

Partners: Eversource completed the LED conversion of the Streetlights.

8. Inclusive Engagement, Communication and Education

8.1 Hold a Sustainability Event

15 Points

Approved Information: 7.1.1 - Central Park Weekly Farmer's Markets, (15 points), last event held Oct. 2019, event being held weekly in the summer since Central Park was reconstructed in 2017.

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [7.1 - 2019 CENTRAL PARK FARMER'S MARKET FLIER](#)

PDF: [7.1 - COMPLETED 2019 SUSTAINABILITY EVENT TEMPLATE - FARMER'S MARKET RAN 16 WEEKS](#)

PDF: [7.1 - NB CENTRAL PARK FARMER'S MARKET DESCRIPTION AND IMAGES](#)

PDF: [2019 NB HERALD ARTICLE ON THE CENTRAL PARK FARMER'S MARKET](#)

Documentation Details: Included s the completed template required for this Action, a written description about our Summertime Weekly Farmer's Markets held in our Central Park that also includes some pictures, and a July 2019 New Britain Herald Article about the Farmer's Markets

Partners: CT Department of Agriculture Roots New Britain City of New Britain Mayor's Office City of New Britain Parks and Recreation and Community Services Department

Additional Information: The Central Park Farmer's Markets are just one part of our efforts to provide healthier food options in New Britain. These efforts are described much more thoroughly under Action 7.4 and in one of the 3 Equity Toolkits we completed along with our application.

9. Strategic Materials Management

9.3 Recycle Additional Materials and Compost Organics

10 Points

Approved Information: 7.7 Textile Recycling Program with So Simple Recycling, (10 Points), Implemented Oct. 2017, On-going

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [7.7 - 2016 - WASTE ZERO - CURBSIDE TEXTILE RECYCLING PRESENTATION](#)

IMAGE: [7.7 - SO SIMPLE RECYCLING - RIBBON CUTTING - OCT 2017, PIC 1](#)

IMAGE: [7.7 - SO SIMPLE RECYCLING - RIBBON CUTTING - OCT 2017, PIC 2](#)

PDF: [7.7 - 2017 - NB CITY COUNCIL TEXTILE RECYCLING RESOLUTION](#)

PDF: [7.7 - 2017 SO SIMPLE RECYCLING NEW BRITAIN YEAR END REPORT](#)

PDF: [19/20 - CITY OF NB ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CALENDAR](#)

PDF: [FEB. 2020 & DEC. 2019 CHECKS FROM SIMPLE RECYCLING FOR TEXTILE MATERIALS COLLECTED IN NB](#)

PDF: [FEB. 2020 - CHECK RECIEVED FROM SIMPLE RECYCLING FOR TEXTILES COLLECTED IN THE CITY](#)

PDF: [7.7 - DESCRIPTION OF ACTION - TEXTILES - INCLUDES RESPONSES TO SUST CT REVIEWER COMMENTS](#)

PDF: [AG-GRID DIGESTER GROUND BREAKING ARTICLE](#)

Documentation Details: The attachment titled, "7.7 - Description of Action - Textiles etc..." provides a description of the City's work related to this category. Other attached documents are intended to help validate our description. Responses to comments from our Spring 2020 are also included in this document.

Partners: CT DEEP - Permitting Waste Zero, Inc - Helped facilitate getting this new program and partnership implemented So Simple Recycling, Inc. - Business and Recycling Contractor Bristol Facility Policy Board (BFPB) - Helped educate other member communities, and have them begin textile recycling programs in towns and cities as well City of Bristol - Also began a textile recycling program in October of 2017 Town of West Hartford - Also began a textile recycling program in October of 2017

10. Optimal Health and Wellness Opportunities

10.1 Encourage Healthy and Sustainable Food Networks

10 Points

Approved Information: 7.4.1. Food Policy Council, (10 Points), updated 4/22/20

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [7.4 - NB FOOD COUNCIL - 2019 NB HERALD STORY](#)

WORD: [7.4 - TRIFECTA ECOSYSTEMS MOVING TO NEW BRITAIN, AUG. 2019 RECORD-JOURNAL ARTICLE](#)

PDF: [7.4 - ENCOURAGE HEALTHLY & SUSTAINABLE FOOD NETWORKS - WRITTEN SUMMARY \(INLCUDES INFO. ABOUT THE NEW BRITAIN FOOD COUNCIL\)](#)

PDF: [7.4 - NB FOOD POLICY GROUP WEBPAGE](#)

Documentation Details: 7.4 - A written description was provided related to the City's on-going & substantial efforts to Encourage Health & Sustainable Food Networks including New Britain Food Policy Group A 2019 New Britain Herald Story about the New Britain Food Council is included New Britain Food Policy Group - webpage

Partners: NB Parks & Recreation & Community Services Department New Britain Roots New Britain Board of Education CT Department of Agriculture Trifecta Ecosystems, Inc. Human Resources Agency (HRA) of New Britain

Additional Information: An Equity Tool Kit was filled out related to the City's work on this item

10.3 Improve Air Quality in Public Spaces

25 Points

Approved Information: 7.10.3: Policy to reduce tobacco use (15 points), updated September 2019 7.10.4: Anti-Idling Policy (10 points), updated December 2017

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [RESOLUTION NO SMOKING IN CITY PROPERTY.PDF](#)

WORD: [SEC. 2_8. SMOKING_POLICY.DOC](#)

WORD: [ARTICLE VII. PROHIBITING TOBACCO AND MARIJUANA IN CITY PARKS ON PUBLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS AND ON ANY OTHER DESIGNATED CITY OWNED PROPERTY.DOC](#)

PDF: [7.10.4 ANTI-IDLING POLICY.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: "Resolution No Smoking in City Property.pdf" and related ordinances ("Sec_2_8.Smoking_policy.doc" and "ARTICLE_VII...") describe the actions taken to reduce tobacco use in the municipality. Anti-Idling Policy was disseminated to the entire New Britain Public Works department, as shown in the document "7.10.4 Anti-Idling Policy.pdf". This document advises readers on how to reduce their idling time as well as when idling is strictly not allowed and when it is acceptable (for example to warm your car on a cold morning).

Partners: None

11. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

11.2 Grow Sustainable and Affordable Housing Options

20 Points

Approved Information: 8.2 - Affordable Housing Options Exceeding 10% - New Britain currently at 18.35%, updated 4/15/20, (10 points) 8.2 - Affordable Housing Options Growth, increase from 2018 to 2019, (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [8.2 - AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS - GROWTH](#)

PDF: [8.2 - 2019-APPEALS-LIST FOR ONLINE](#)

PDF: [8.2 - FINAL-APPEALS SUMMARY-2018](#)

PDF: [COLUMBUS COMMONS - NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING - INFO. & OCTOBER 2019 NB HERALD ARTICLE](#)

Documentation Details: Documents submitted are only one page each & the information is easily identifiable. Attached documents titled, "8.2 - Affordable Housing Options - Growth" includes a basic summary. Some basic information about our Columbus Commons T.O.D. project is included. The 1st phase of this project was just completed in downtown New Britain, and it included 80 new apartments with 64 of them being affordable housing units.

Partners: New Britain Housing Authority Xenolith Partners, Columbus Commons Developers based out of New York