

MEETING MINUTES
SA Climate Ready Technical & Community Advisory Committee
November 8, 2021
4:00 PM
Municipal Plaza – B Room

SA Climate Ready Technical & Community Advisory Committee Members:

DeeDee Belmares *	Dr. Neil Debbage	Vacant
At large	At large	At large
Ashley Bird	Ashley Harris	Dr. Jimmy Perkins *
At large	At large	At large
Rick Cavender	Stephen Lucke	John Plescia *
At large	At large	At large
James Cooper Jr.	Dr. Kelly Lyons	Rosalinda Sanquiche
At large	At large	At large
Estella Cota-Treviño	Francisco Manon	Ryan Weber
At large	At large	At large
Matt Cox *	Richard McDonald *	
At large	At large	

Melissa Bryant	Miriam Juckett
Partner Agency, SARA	Research Partner, Southwest Research Institute
Karen Guz	Marvin Pair
Partner Agency, SAWS	Partner Agency, Joint Base San Antonio
Kammy Horne	Angela Rodriguez
Partner Agency, VIA	Partner Agency, CPS San Antonio

**Indicates Not Present*

Office of Sustainability Staff: Douglas Melnick, Minerva Defee, Murray Myers
 NRDC & IMT Advisors: Adil Chowdhury, Tara Brown
 Chair or Vice-Chair of the Climate Equity Advisory Committee: Jesus Garcia-Gonzalez
 Facilitators: Nick Burgett, Guadalupe Gonzalez

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Melissa Bryant at 4:12 p.m.

II. Public Comments

There was one public comment received via voicemail from Cyrus Reed, Sierra Club.
 “Hello, my name is Cyrus Reed, I work for the Sierra Club on research. I don’t live in San Antonio but did want to leave a brief message about item number three on the Technical & Community Advisory Committee, which are the Unified Development Codes and building-related codes. I wanted to encourage the committee to move forward on three things, EV ready codes, solar ready codes, and adoption of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code. The 2021 ICC has already been catalyzed by the energy system lab at Texas A&M and nationally as being about 10% more energy efficient. And then I wanted to highlight that myself and many

folks in San Antonio already worked with Development Services on EV ready and solar ready codes and came up with some drafts that would be a good starting place. We did this work in 2020 right before COVID happened so there's been a bit of a delay, but a lot of that work has already happened, I believe that ya'll could move forward on EV ready, solar ready, and 2021 codes, email me if you have any questions Cyrus.Reed@sierraclub.org . . .”

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minerva Defee presented the minute meetings from November 8th, 2021, for approval. Minutes were sent to committee members ahead of time and were attached to the November meeting agenda.

Motion	Cavender motioned for approval. Harris seconded the motion.
Vote:	Ayes: Bird, Cavender, Cooper, Debbage, Harris, Lucke, Manon, Sanquiche, Weber, Bryant, Guz, Juckett, Pair, Rodriguez Nays: N/A Virtual: Cota-Treviño, Horne, Lyons Absent: Belmares, Cox, McDonald, Perkins, Plescia
Action:	Motion passed with 14 ayes, 0 nays, and 5 absent.

IV. Individual Items for Consideration

2022 Bond Program:

Advisory Committee members Kammy Horne, Dr. Kelly Lyons, and Stephen Lucke drafted a scorecard, which was presented during the meeting. When sending to the appropriate point(s) of contact, the scorecard will be accompanied by a statement on purpose and intent. Although a position paper was initially dismissed, the group voted in support of a letter to be sent to City staff and/or elected representatives through a motion to finalize both the statement and scorecard. This letter would emphasize the need for sustainability considerations for the 2022 Bond Program and advocate for climate to be considered earlier on in the process for all future bond programs.

Motion	Bryant motioned for approval. Lucke seconded the motion.
Vote:	Ayes: Bird, Cavender, Cooper, Debbage, Harris, Lucke, Manon, Sanquiche, Weber, Bryant, Guz, Juckett, Pair, Rodriguez Nays: N/A Virtual: Cota-Treviño, Horne, Lyons Absent: Belmares, Cox, McDonald, Perkins, Plescia
Action:	Motion passed with 14 ayes, 0 nays, and 5 absent.

UDC & Building Related Codes:

During the October Advisory Committee meeting, the committee decided to request recommendations for amendments from all members. Individual members submitted recommendations throughout the month, these were compiled by the Office of Sustainability and sent to the complete membership for review prior to the November meeting. After some discussion, Advisory Committee members requested for staff to create a survey to assist in prioritization by ranking all submissions in order of preference. These preference selections will not be an endorsement of proposals but will help staff develop more detailed information for the committee's consideration prior to making any final decisions.

Once the top recommendations are selected, Office of Sustainability staff will communicate with the Development Services Department to draft proposed language for review by the full Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee can also choose to support partner agency proposals. The deadline for all amendment recommendations is February 1, 2022.

V. **Determination of Next Meeting Date**

The next Technical & Community Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for December 6th, 2021, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm, this meeting will be in-person. The Climate Equity Committee meeting is scheduled for October 5th, 2021, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and will also be in-person.

VI. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Approved

Melissa Bryant, Chair
Technical and Community Advisory Committee
City of San Antonio, Texas

Date