

MEETING MINUTES
SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee
March 29, 2022
4:00 PM
Virtual – WebEx

SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee Members:

Aaron Arguello At large	Diana Lopez-Perez At large
Dr. Adelita Cantu At large	Vacant At large
Anacua Garcia* At large	Joshua Scott* At large
Jesus Garcia-Gonzalez At large	Dr. Joseph Simpson At large
Harjot Kaur At large	Tristan Tovar* At large

**Indicates Not Present*

Office of Sustainability Staff: Douglas Melnick, Julia Murphy, Minerva Defee, Harley Hubbard
Office of Equity Staff: Jonathan Malagon, Deedra Keys-Switzer

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by James Cooper at 4:05 p.m.

II. Public Comments

No citizens signed up to be heard.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Adelita Cantu presented the meeting minutes from August 2, 2021, for approval. Minutes were sent to committee members ahead of time and were attached to the March meeting agenda.

Motion: Joe Simpson motioned for approval.
Dr. Adelita Cantu seconded the motion.

Vote: Yeas: Arguello, Cantu, Garcia-Gonzalez, Kaur, Lopez-Perez, Simpson
Nays: None
Absent: Garcia, Scott, Tovar

Action: ssed with 6 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 absent.

IV. Individual Items for Consideration

Review of Energy and Rate Advisory Committee:

Cooper reviewed the background of the Energy Generation Subcommittee in order to revisit the structure and goals. The committee discussed the mission of RAC as well as the membership crossover. Councilwoman Ana Sandoval, the City Council liaison, presented the history and work of the RAC committee, which includes rate reviews as well as generational planning.

Bond Scoring template Update

Douglas Melnick updated the Advisory Committee members on the development of a score card to be used by public works on bond projects in order to develop sustainable and attainable standards. The draft scorecard will be shared for review in May.

Unified Development Code (UDC) Update

Melnick updated the Committee members on the UDC proposals that were submitted by the Office of Sustainability on behalf of the Advisory Committees. The update included the following:

Consistency with master plan:	Approved with Amendments
Renewable energy systems:	Approved with Amendments
Transportation and street design:	Approved
Tree preservation:	Approved
Parking and Loading Standards:	Approved
Appendix A Definitions:	Pending
EV Ready requirements:	Pending
Solar Ready requirements:	Pending
Cool roof Requirements:	Pending

Benchmark Subcommittee Updates

Karen Guz presented updates from the Benchmarking Subcommittee, which met twice. The objective of the subcommittee is to develop recommendations for a Benchmarking and Transparency Ordinance for large commercial buildings in San Antonio and present to the full SA Climate Ready Advisory Committees for consideration. During the third meeting, the subcommittee discussed a phased approach, the possibility of exceptions, and previewed public disclosure and compliance. A draft ordinance will be presented to the full Advisory Committees and City Council in June.

Engagement and Communication Workshop

Ashley Landers provided an update on the key milestones for the SA Climate Ready Communications & Engagement strategy. The input gathering phase has been finalized and the strategy building phase has started. Results from the business community survey were also shared, with the opportunity to view additional data if requested.

V. Determination of Next Meeting Date

The next SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee meeting will be held jointly with the SA Climate Ready Technical & Community Advisory Committee, this meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2022, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm, and may be in-person.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.