

Recent City Council Resolutions

May 22, 2019



Community Climate Resilience - 20190509-019

The City Manager is directed to work with the Office of Sustainability to perform a literature review of climate resilience plans of peer cities, to explore available, potential partnerships (such as the 100 Resilient Cities model), and to return to Council no later than August 22, 2019, with recommendations for creating a comprehensive, community-wide climate resilience plan that is fair, just, and equitable. Recommendations should include funding options, such as grants or other revenue sources, to

1) fund a position for a Chief Resilience Officer and staff necessary to produce a resilience plan; or

- 2) hire a consultant to draft or assist city staff with drafting a comprehensive resilience plan; or
- 3) other recommendations for achieving this objective.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The Council recognizes we are already experiencing the adverse consequences of climate change, understands the urgency of creating a blueprint to prepare for and respond to the shocks and stressors of catastrophic climate events, and supports the general tenets of the Green New Deal.

Our Plan

- Research
- Peer City Interviews
- Summarize
- Review with Internal Stakeholders
- Draft Recommendations
- Management Review
- Report back to City Council by August 22, 2019

Transportation Electrification - 20190509-020

The City Manager is directed to include an analysis of transportation electrification and action planning in the next update to the City of Austin Community Climate Plan, including:

1. an analysis of scenarios for different EV adoption trends that identify the associated actions and their feasibility in meeting the Austin Community Climate Plan goals;

2. identification of the reasonableness of establishing intermediate greenhouse gas emissions targets to net-zero greenhouse gas emissions from transportation;

3. the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan climate policy and mode shift goals;

4. an action plan:

a. designed to meet the 2050 carbon neutral goal set forth by the City of Austin, to

include interim targets to meet the 2050 goal;

b. that aligns with the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan planning process and structure;

c. that presents interim goals and targets where appropriate that are sufficiently

adaptive in the face of evolving technology, markets, and commercial availability; and that maps options for:

i. grid integration that may include demand response capabilities and managed charging;

ii. EV-ready building codes; and

iii. increasing access to EV charging for residents of multi-family housing, including onsite and off-site charging options (such as DC-Fast charging);

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5. clarification of the role of City of Austin and other community stakeholders (e.g. CapMetro, CAPCOG, CAMPO, school districts, and others), including potential barriers where the City does not exert direct control;

- 6. identification of opportunities for partnerships with other governments and agencies; And
- 7. the establishment of annual, first-quarter reporting to City Council as part of the Austin Community Climate Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to provide City Council with

1) a progress update by September 1, 2019 covering the anticipated planning process and organizational approach including stakeholder involvement;

2) a progress update by February 1, 2020, including lessons learned from EV grid integration efforts, demand response programs, and EV rate structures; and

3) the final Austin Community Climate Plan by October 1, 2020.

The City Manager shall further work to include, as part of Austin Energy's regular reporting to the Utility Oversight Committee, annual updates on the status and progress of Austin Energy's transportation electrification programs, including the public EV charging network, fleet electrification, EV building codes, rebates for EV programs, outreach, new plans and strategies to reach multifamily and low-income households, and electrifying new mobility services.

Our Plan

- Recruit Technical Advisory Group Members Summer
- Stand up and kickoff the Climate Plan Revision Process September
- Report back to Council on EV planning status September 2019
- Technical Advisory Groups work / analysis / stakeholder feedback
- Interim report to council on progress February 2020
- Finalize goals / strategies and full plan
- Climate Plan Revision final and to council Summer 2020

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