

A dark grey world map with several blue location pins. A yellow lightbulb icon is positioned over the United States, which is also highlighted by a thin yellow circle. The text is overlaid on the map.

The Open Government Partnership Council Work Session November 1, 2016

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Tech and innovation

Transparency

Accountability

Civic Participation

Update



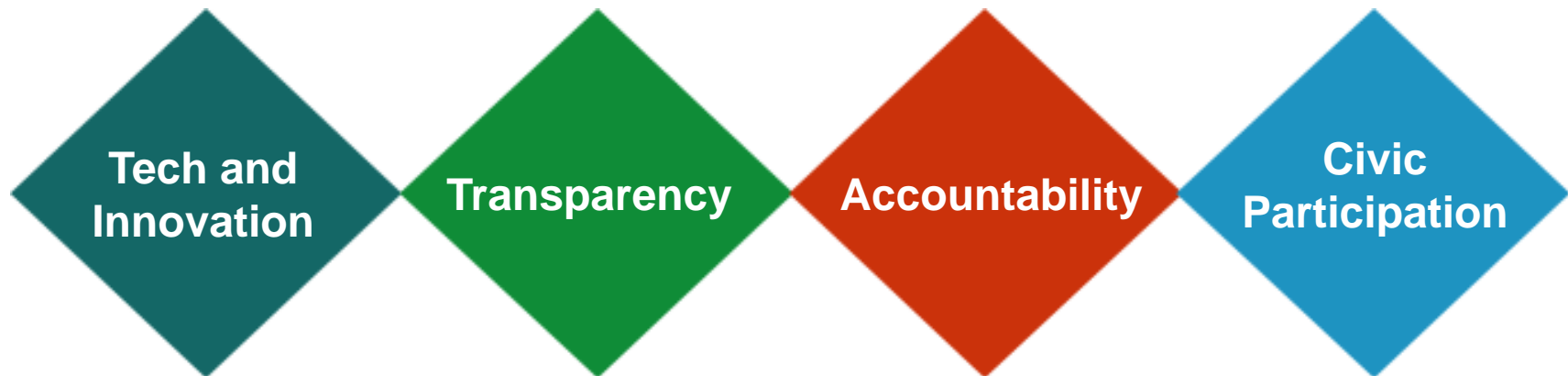
- Overview
- Open Government Partnership (OGP) recap
- Austin's 5 projects
- Your feedback

What Is The Open Government Partnership (OGP)?



An international coalition of 70 governments
and their communities working together on
commitments to open government

OGP's Open Government Principles



OGP Pioneer Program



- Commit to projects that advance open government in local & regional government
- A one-year, two-way pilot for OGP and for the first 15 Pioneer governments

Feb Council passed
Resolution 20160225-017
to compete for this
program

5 projects selected to
advance commitments,
amplify ongoing efforts

To be announced
internationally in Dec

WHEREAS, OGP requires civil society organizations to be included in the co-creation of the reform commitments, meaning that the process of joining OGP represents experimenting with new forms of open policy-making; and

WHEREAS, the OGP is launching a new “subnational” pilot program designed to more proactively involve municipal government in its international effort to promote transparency, open policy making, government reform, and public trust in government; and

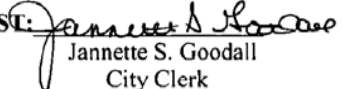
WHEREAS, pilot program participants receive dedicated assistance and advice from the OGP Support Unit and OGP Steering Committee to develop open government commitments and action plans, in collaboration with other pilot program participants; and

WHEREAS, the City’s transparency efforts and “best-managed” mission will benefit from this international assistance and collaboration, while the City’s contribution will help develop a global network for peer learning; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. The City Council confirms its support for the City’s participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP) subnational pilot program; and
2. The City Council confirms its support for the OGP’s efforts and principles and the City’s interest in receiving institutional support from the OGP.

ADOPTED: February 25, 2016

ATTEST: 
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk



**Austin is the *only* U.S.
applicant chosen for the
Pioneer program**

Austin, United States
Buenos Aires, Argentina
Madrid, Spain
Paris, France
Sao Paulo, Brazil
Sekondi-Takoradi, Ghana
Seoul, South Korea
Tbilisi, Georgia

Ontario, Canada
Scotland, United Kingdom
Bojonegoro, Indonesia
La Libertad, Peru
Jalisco, Mexico
Kigoma, Tanzania

Our Pioneer Projects



The City's Projects Will...



- Be co-created with the community
- Welcome new and additional participants at any time
- Amplify and elevate, not duplicate, city efforts and staff
- Complete a portion of a larger city effort in one year
- Provide an international stage for city successes

Project 1



Demonstrate a collaborative approach to achieving greater understanding and shared reasoning around complex issues through the city's Homeless Outreach Street Team (HOST).

This project will strengthen collaboration and decision-making by furthering our commitment to **civic participation and transparency.**

Project 2



Establish an equity assessment tool.

This project will track progress on an ambitious goal and support decision-making by furthering our commitment to **civic participation, transparency, and accountability.**

Project 3



Adapt the existing Open Government Operating Board executive committee to oversee broader open government efforts, including these OGP projects.

This project will improve collaboration with a focus on **civic participation** and **accountability**.

Project 4



Analyze city public meeting efficiencies.

This project will increase understanding and promote sound decision-making with a focus on **transparency** and **accountability**.

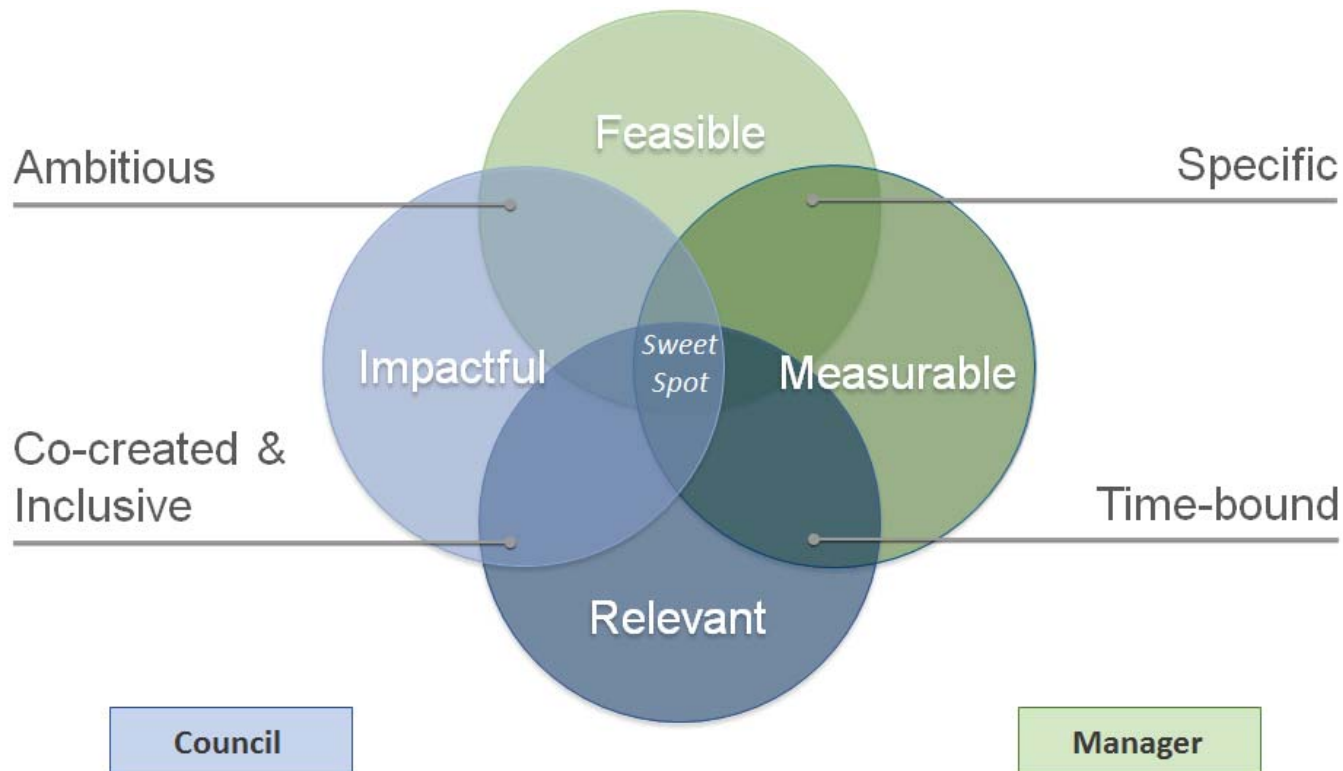
Project 5

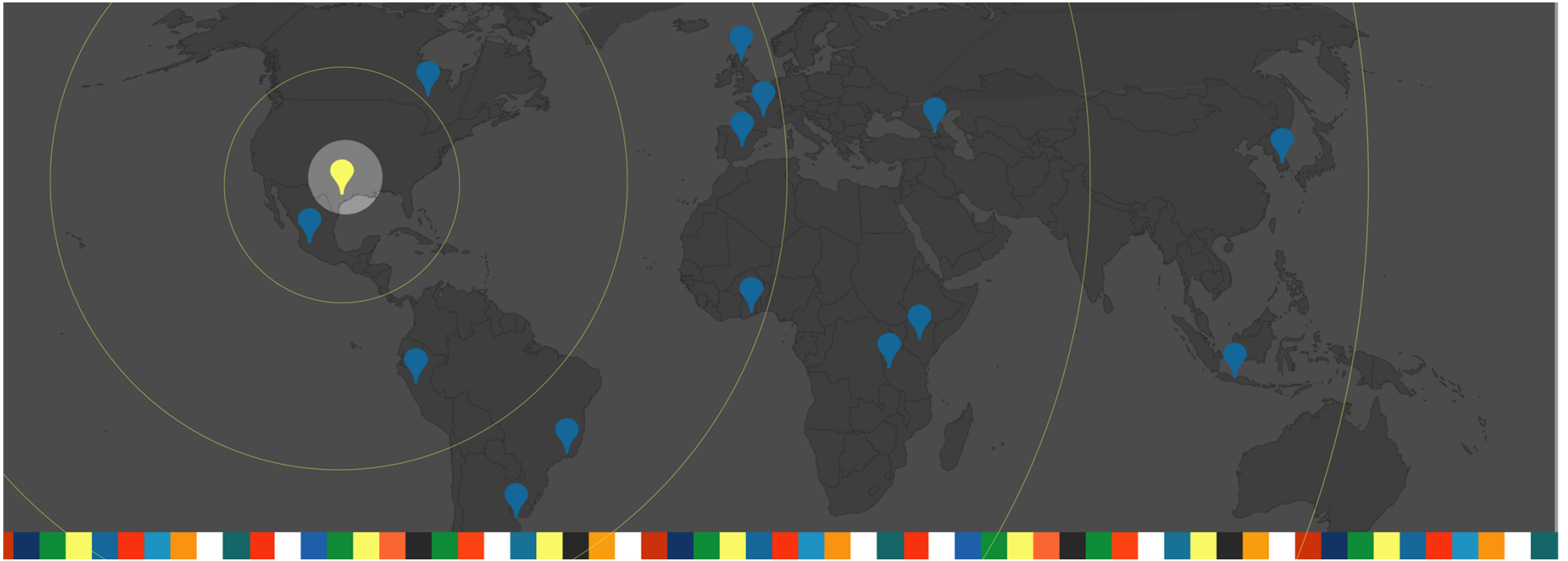


Create a project-tracking website, using our OGP commitments as a first project.

This project will show progress towards ambitious goals with a focus on transparency and accountability.

Evaluation criteria for testing commitments





Your Feedback

Appendix

What Will We Do Next? 2017

January to October:

Bring community together for discovery, building & testing



Opportunities for more people to design, produce, deliver & evaluate
our projects with us

2017

November:

OGP's Independent Review Board Will Assess Our Work



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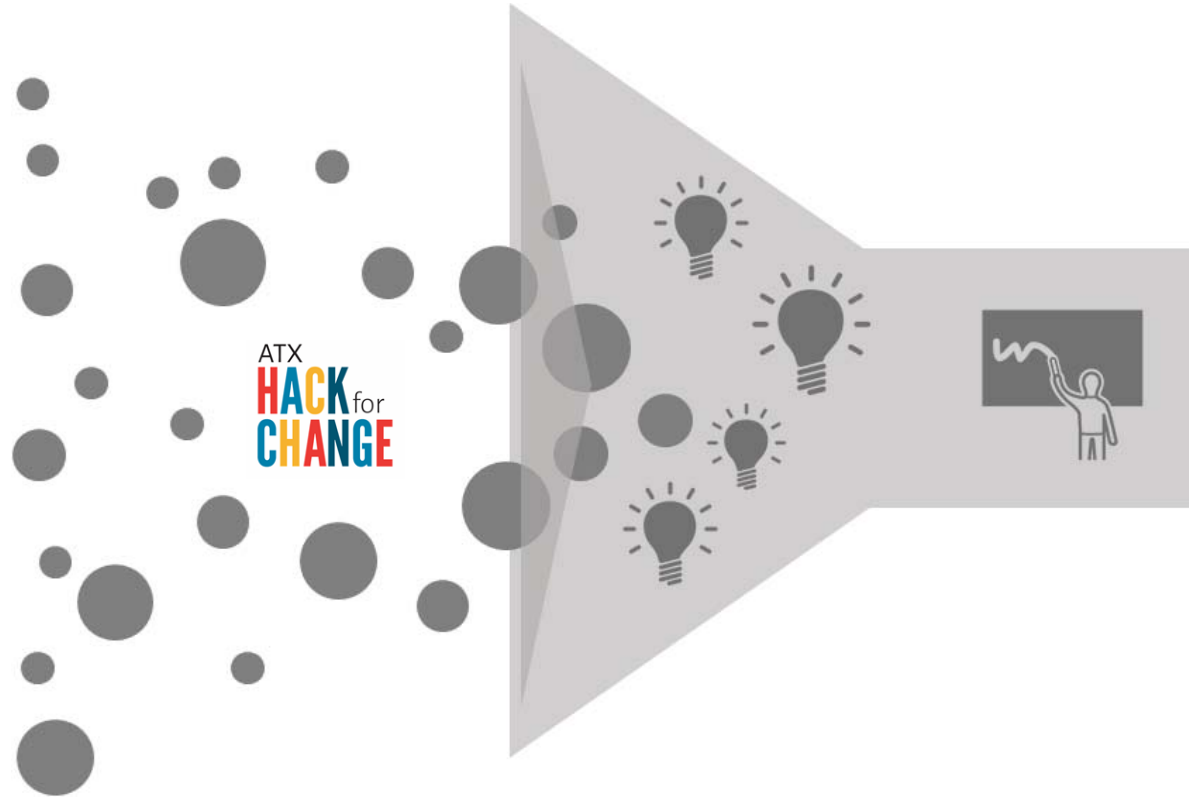
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December:
Present Action Plan Results to OGP



How Did We Get To These Commitments?

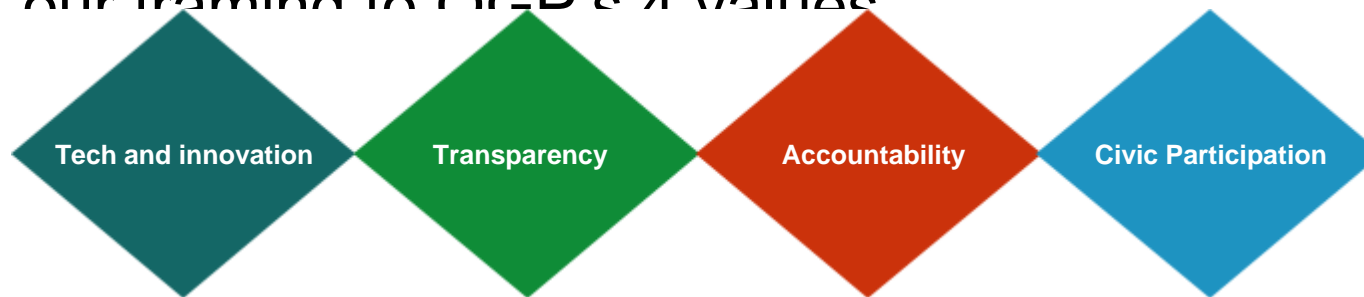






Step 1: Study OGP values

Aligned our framing to OGP's 4 values





Step 2: Research with community members

Researched key pain points and opportunities with city and community, through events like the ATX Hack for Change and interviews



Step 3: Discover patterns in stories

Combined and reviewed data, to identify repeating stories of challenges and opportunities

Identified 9 repeating pain points and opportunities that, if addressed, the solution would extend to all or many



Step 4: Synthesize themes

Combined and reviewed data, to identify themes

Identified 4 repeating themes:



Step 5: Assess City projects

Revisited key efforts that related to open government principles:
Imagine Austin, Quality of Life Initiatives, Spirit of East Austin,
and the Community Engagement Task Force



Step 6: Match pain points/opportunities to City projects

Which project(s) could be addressed through OGP, so that we can advance both with existing resources?

Pain Point/Opportunity + Strategic Project = OGP Commitment



Step 7: Draft and vet possible commitments

Draft a project work plan that would begin in 2017 to advance our commitments.

Share with partners, community members, City leaders and Council members



Step 8: Test possible commitments

An ideal project promotes good policy; it is ambitious, relevant, inclusive, and impactful

An ideal project promotes “best managed”; it is specific, feasible, measureable, and time-specific



Step 9: Draft Action Plan

Discuss our draft Action Plan with our community partners and individuals. Final version will be submitted November 30 and presented at the OGP Global Summit on December 9.