

# Climate Program Update

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JSC Meeting

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# Outline

- ▶ Climate Emergency
- ▶ Education and Outreach Update



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# Climate Emergency Resolution

Austin City Council declares a climate emergency and calls for an immediate emergency mobilization to restore a safe climate.

- ▶ Accountability
- ▶ External Engagement
- ▶ Achieving Net-Zero and Mitigating Impacts of the Climate Crisis
- ▶ Emergency Management
- ▶ Reporting



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# Resolution Response - Immediate

- ▶ New Accountability Structure
  - ▶ Proposing a Climate and Environment Leadership Team to include Directors and ACMs overseeing environmental related SD23 programs and outcomes
- ▶ 2021 Budget Process
  - ▶ Working now with the Office of Performance Management to tag mitigation and resilience related items as part of the budget development process
- ▶ Climate Plan Revision
  - ▶ Including all topics, processes, and solutions as directed



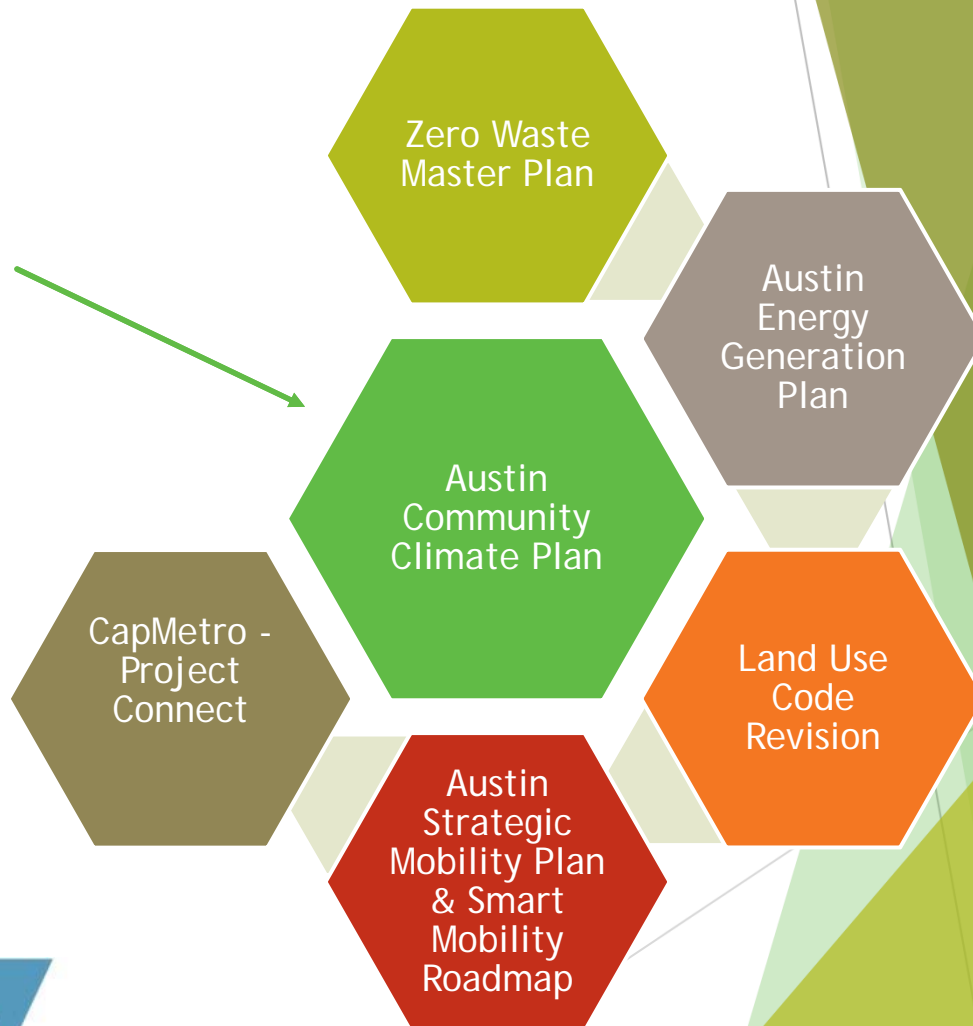
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# A Plan Amongst Plans

## 5 New Plan Sections:

Sustainable Buildings  
Transportation Electrification  
Transportation and Land Use  
Natural Systems  
Consumption



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# Estimated Timeline

Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
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Review existing survey data

Steering Committee and TAG Creation and Kickoffs

TAG Community Input Workshops

Focus Groups

TAGs Generate Projects and Program Ideas

TAG Finalization of Goals and Strategies

Plan Drafting

Community Climate Ambassador Program

Community Engagement Specialist Tenure

# Plan Participants

- ▶ Directly emailed the plan interest questionnaire to 230 people, and the email was forwarded by many
- ▶ Followed up a week later with a 2<sup>nd</sup> email reminder with more direct equity language
- ▶ Received 103 responses as of September 24th
- ▶ Held 2 in-person meetups on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and had 2 attendees, upcoming meeting at Carver Library on the 26th
- ▶ Closing the questionnaire on Friday Sept 27<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Steering Committee and TAG members will be selected with the JSC equity / engagement working group and equity office on October 8th



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# A lot is in Process

- ▶ Celine Rendon hired as Community Engagement Specialist
- ▶ Existing Survey Data aggregated (AE, SM, AASI)
- ▶ Equity Primer drafted
- ▶ Criteria for Selecting Participants
- ▶ Selection Meeting - October 8<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Steering Committee & TAG Commitment Invitation Letters
- ▶ Business processes for paying participants and ambassadors
- ▶ TAG process being designed and polished now
- ▶ Large Institution Engagement being designed now
- ▶ Workshop design in draft
- ▶ Climate Ambassador program in draft



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# Next Steps

- ▶ Select Participants
- ▶ Steering Committee Kickoff in October
- ▶ TAG Kickoffs likely early November
- ▶ Keep Engagement Processes going



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