

# AUSTIN FOOD SYSTEM PLAN

## ATCFPB UPDATES



# Food Policy Team is currently:

- **Distributed** a memo to Mayor and Council providing updates on the planning process
- **Reviewing** food system plans from across the country to develop list of best practices (11 Food System Plans)
- Interviewing food system plan project managers from across the country to learn about planning process, budget, community engagement & centering equity (6 interviews)
- Interviewing COA staff on planning initiatives (Resilience Hubs, Austin Climate Equity Plan) to identify lessons learned and building interdepartmental team for planning process (8 interviews)
- **Developing** a RFP for consultant

# Food System Planning: Plan Review

#### **Government-led Plans:**

### New York, NY: <u>Food Forward: 10 Year Food Policy Plan</u> - 2020

% Makes clear City government's role in the food system; provides clear examples / callouts of work already underway

#### Seattle: Food Action Plan - 2012

 $\stackrel{\wedge}{\leadsto}$  Work that is already underway ; Proven impact: Fresh Bucks program, Farm to Table program

#### Denver, CO: Food Vision - 2017, Food Action Plan - 2018

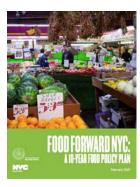
 $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$  Baseline Report, Vision, and Action Plan all separated out as digestible components of a larger planning process; Goals are SMART and target rationales are transparent ; declaration of support

#### <u>Community-led Plans:</u> San Diego County, CA: <u>Food Vision 2030</u> - 2021

☆ Deep engagement ; Land & People Acknowledgement ; Movement + Power Building Framework ; Interactive Website

### Pittsburgh, PA: Greater Pittsburgh Food Action Plan - 2020

☆ Deep community engagement ; Empowerment framework ; evaluation built into goals ; <u>Food</u> <u>Policy Audit</u> (U Virginia)





# Food System Planning: Project Interviews

- <u>Completed interviews:</u>
  - San Diego County, CA (Food Vision 2030)
    - Meeting w/ San Diego County Food System Alliance: 08/11/21
  - **Denver, CO** (Food Action Plan)
    - Meeting w/ city staff: 08/25/21
  - Pittsburgh, PA (Greater Pittsburgh Food Action Plan)
    - Meeting w/ city staff: 08/19/21
    - Meeting w/ Pittsburgh Food Policy Council: 08/19/21
  - Philadelphia, PA (Eating Here: Greater Philadelphia Food System Plan)
    - Meeting w/ city staff: 09/07/21
  - New York, NY (Food Forward: 10 Year Food Policy Plan)
    - Meeting w/ city staff: 09/13/21
  - Dallas, TX
    - Meeting w/ city staff: 9/9/21

### • <u>Coming up:</u>

- Seattle, WA: Food Action Plan
- Minneapolis, MN: Food Action Plan

# Food System Planning: COA Interviews

#### • <u>Completed interviews:</u>

- Austin Public Health 08/31/21
- Austin Resource Recovery 08/30/21
- Equity Office 08/24/21
- Economic Development 08/31/21
- Office of Sustainability
  - Resilience Hubs
    - 07/26/21 + 08/26/21 (Marc) (Ongoing bi-weekly meeting scheduled)
  - Climate Equity Plan:
    - 07/21/21
    - 08/09/21
- Watershed Protection Department 09/09/21
- Urban Forestry 9/3/21
- Housing and Planning 9/2/21

### • Coming up:

- Parks and Recreation
- Austin Water
- Austin Fire Department
- Office of Performance Management
- Travis County (HHS, EDD, TNR)

# Food System Planning: RFP for Project Manager Consultant

• Reviewed Dallas Food and Agriculture Planning RFP

• Requested RFP examples from project managers

• Currently developing draft RFP using Dallas as a template

# **Questions for Review**

- How does the Food Policy Board envision being involved with the Food Planning Process?
- Should this be a subject area for the October Strategic Planning meeting?



# Next Steps

- September
  - Present to the Healthy Food Acces WG (ATCFPB) on 'Best practices & Lessons Learned'
  - Finish interviews with COA and Travis County staff & project managers
  - Release RFP; hire Contract Manager and temp staff
- October
  - Continue engaging with the ATCFPB
  - Contract with Hagerty for Food Access Appendix
  - RFP for Project Management consultant
  - Hire temp staff (review city plans)
  - Complete Data Aggregation project and develop platform for hosting data (possibly partnership with <u>UT Texas Metro Observatory</u>)

# THANK YOU!

