

The Sierra Club fully endorses all parts of Austin City Council Climate Resolution, Item 25, on the Feb. 15 Agenda, especially:

- That we re-affirm that we are in a climate emergency that requires urgent action;
- That we need more funding to implement strategies in climate plans already passed by the Council to tackle our climate emergency including a goal to achieve net zero emissions by 2040;
- That we need more action to remedy environmental injustice and provide more help to achieve environmental justice goals as outlined in the Austin Climate Equity Plan;
- That we should increase electricity demand programs to reduce greenhouse gases, improve the Grid, and lower electricity bills especially to low-income households; and
- That the City Manager gather community input in setting priorities for funding for these plans.

It is not enough to pass good climate plans. We also must fund them. Austin needs to continue to be a leader in taking local action to fight the global climate emergency. We strongly urge the Austin City Council to pass this resolution.

Sincerely, Robert Hendricks

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