

## JOINT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE HYBRID MEETING FORMAT February 28, 2024 at 6pm Council Chambers, City Hall 301 W 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Austin, TX 78701

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### CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Kaiba White, Chair (Electric Utility Commission)
Diana Wheeler, Vice Chair (Urban Transportation Commission)
Charlotte Davis (Resource Mgmt. Commission)
Haris Qureshi (Environmental Commission)
Melissa Rothrock (Zero Waste Advisory Commission)
Bertha Delgado (Community Development Commission)
Larry Franklin (Austin Travis County Food Policy Board) Chris Maxwell-Gaines (Water & Wastewater Commission) Amy Noel (Economic Prosperity Commission) Stephanie Bazan (Parks & Recreation Board) Jon Salinas (Design Commission) Vacant (City Council) Alice Woods (Planning Commission) Rodrigo Leal (Mayor's Representative) Anna Scott (Mayor's Representative) Heather Houser (Mayor's Representative) Yureisly Suarez (Mayor's Representative) Christopher Campbell (Mayor's Representative)

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# AGENDA

# <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> <u>PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL</u>

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a threeminute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes from the January 24th meeting of the Joint Sustainability Committee.

#### **DISCUSSION**

- 2. Discussion on the benefits of adopting and implementing the Great Streets Initiative.
- 3. Discussion of next steps on the Environmental Investment Plan Resolution (Item 25 from 2/15 Council Meeting).
- 4. Discussion of Joint Sustainability Committee strategic plan.
- 5. Update from the Zero Waste Advisory Commission on the Litter Abatement program, the Household Hazardous Waste door-to-door pilot program, multi-family composting, reports in progress, upcoming solicitations, a supplemental brush and bulk contract, and Digital Solutions for Waste Management Contract.
- 6. Update from the Urban Transportation Commission on Austin Transit Partnership light rail planning and next phases and MetroBike.
- 7. Update from the Planning Commission on <u>DB-90</u> which creates a density bonus zoning district in an effort to replace VMU2 and Residential in Commercial density bonus programs that were invalidated by a lawsuit in December, in addition the Planning Commission will be considering amendments to the Butler Trail Code at their next meeting.
- 8. Update from the Electric Utility Commission on the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan update.
- 9. Update from Environmental Commission on polo field restoration resolution, starting a conversation about the PUC at 500 S. Congress (currently Egos), and a parking study recommendation.
- 10. Update from Resource Management Commission on retooling GreenChoice and a possible Passive House pilot program.
- 11. Update from the Economic Prosperity Commission on recent activities relevant to implementation of the Austin Climate Equity Plan

#### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

12. Approve amendments to the Joint Sustainability Committee bylaws increasing the membership to include a representative from the Public Health Commission.

- 13. Approve recommendations to encourage low-carbon foods in the Austin-Travis County Food Plan.
- 14. Approve Joint Sustainability Committee recommendations for the City's FY2025 budget.
- 15. Approve a recommendation supporting adoption and implementation of the Great Streets Initiative.
- 16. Creation of working group to advise on public input and recommendations that are responsive to the Environmental Investment Plan (Item 25 passed by the Austin City Council on 2/15).
- 17. Approve a recommendation to initiate a study on sustainable / green parking practices. Backup: https://services.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=422837

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

18. Discussion of future agenda items

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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