

Joint Sustainability Committee

RECOMMENDATION 20240327-XX

Date: March 27, 2024

Subject: Food Plan Budget Recommendation

Motioned By: Seconded By:

Recommendations on the FY 24-25 Budget

Description of Recommendation to Council

Food Plan Implementation: The Austin/Travis County Food Plan will soon be completed. The plan includes a number of strategies that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Austin Climate Equity Plan also includes strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from food consumption and to improve carbon sequestration as part of food production. This work is complex and has the potential to yield significant emissions and equity benefits. The Joint Sustainability Committee recommends that: one (1) Food Plan Project Manager be added to the Office of Sustainability. (est. \$150,000) In addition to implementing the Food Plan, this position should be responsible for implementation of the strategies related to food consumption and food production in the Climate Equity Plan.