#### **PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**



# **Sustainability & Resilience Commission**

#### **MEETING DATE**

Monday, January 23, 2023 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

#### **MEETING LOCATION**

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AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER	ACTION or DISCUSSION
1. Welcome and Mission of SRC	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair(4:30 – 4:33 pm)	
<b>2. Public Appearances</b> The Sustainability Commission welcomes public comment for items listed on this agenda. There is a <i>three-minute time limit</i> per citizen	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (4:33 – 4:35 pm)	
<b>3.</b> Approval of Meeting Minutes The Commission will be asked to review and approve meeting minutes from the December 19, 2022 meeting.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (4:35 – 4:37 pm)	Discussior
4. Morgan Winburn, Establishing Roots	Morgan Winburn (4:37pm-4:50pm)	Discussior
5. Erin Boyd, Culdesac	Erin Boyd (4:50pm – 5:05pm)	Action
6. FY23/24 Proposed Budget Supplementals	Brianne Fisher, Climate Action Manager (5:05-5:35pm)	Action
7. Housekeeping Items Neighborhood Awards SRC Year at Glance	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (5:35 – 5:45 pm)	Discussior
8. Future Agenda Items Commission may request future agenda items.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (5:45 – 6:00 pm)	Action

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# **DRAFT** Minutes

# City of Tempe Sustainability Commission December 19, 2022

Minutes of the Tempe Sustainability Commission meeting held on Monday, December 19, 2022, 4:30 p.m. at a virtual meeting on MS Teams, through City Hall, 31 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Tempe, Arizona.

#### (MEMBERS) Present:

Kendon Jung (Chair) Barbie Burke (Vice Chair) Natalie Mendoza Erin Boyd

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Katja Brundiers

Meaghan Coon Jake Swanson Shawn Swisher Morgan Winburn

## City Staff Present:

Brianne Fisher Braden Kay Evelyn Brumfield Maddie Mercer Andrea Escobar Richard Adkins German Piedrahita Craig Hayton Paul Bentley Roy Tatem

# Guests Present:

Gretchen Reinhardt Alejandria Gutierrez (Sandy) Luke Ramsey Sustainability Commission, November 21, 2022 Warren Mike Hoffman

Chair Jung called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

#### Agenda Item 1 – Welcome New Members and Mission of SRC

Chair Jung reminds everyone of the Commissions charge, scope and mission.

#### Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

Gretchen says that she cares very much about Smith Road agenda item and how we do this design bike project in my neighborhood. Unfortunate, the design process has not heard our communities' voices. I will be listening on where this project stands. I hope that Councilmembers get copies of the letters our neighborhood has sent.

Alejandria Gutierrez lives in Escalante Neighborhood and member of Thew Elementary PTA, Conolly Booster Club. I agree with Gretchen's comments. Our neighborhood has not been heard on the Smith bike project. It feels like we have told the consultants what we wanted but it has not been reflected in the project design. I do not believe we are the only neighborhood that has not been heard.

#### Agenda Item 3 – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair mentions one edit in the title of the Sustainability and Resilience Commission. Vice Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes, including the mentioned edit, from November 21, 2022.

Motion: Barbie Burke Second: Erin Boyd Decision: Approved 7-0

#### Agenda Item 4 – Tempe River Bottom Initiative

Chair Jung reports that Richard Adkins, Craig Hayton and Paul Bentley from city staff are here to present on this topic.

Hayton provides a high level overview on the multi-departmental approach to this initiative. Context setting, a majority of the river bottom is owned by the city of tempe, however some parts, east of the river bottom, is not owned by the city. Phased approach. Leading with

services, make sure they know what is available to them. Must know that living in the river bottom is an adequate place to live. Provide two months of education and outreach. In September, Richard and his team went in to help clear a lot of the debris once folks vacated the river bottom. Starting in October, pruning and vegetation plan. Safe Harbor Agreement with US Fish and Wildlife Services. Contractual environmental obligations, that city is responsible for. Phase 1 included a resource village. We had outreach staff and fire medical resource, a place to keep property as they transitioned.

Paul Bentley states that there were 150-200 individuals at the beginning of this initiative. Based on proactive outreach and engagement found ways to self-resolve. Did engage about 75 and 50 of those individuals did accept shelter. Two shelter options owned and operated by the city.

Richard Adkins states that he has been on the operations side of things, working with contractors and vegetation approach. I've been working with Police Department and Human Services for several years to understand the relationship with those living in Indian Bend Wash and LoPiano preserve area. I was asked to oversee the vegetation management in river bottom. Main goals was to mitigate fire hazard and maintain habitat and resources. Working with Safe Harbor Agreement. Once folks were out of river bottom, asked to help get debris and trash out of the area. Pulled over 111 tons of trash and debris out and we are not yet complete. We are starting to work on vegetation management. End of the bird nesting season. End of October and beginning of March to remove invasive species and provide public safety to have a view corridor. We are half way through section one. Sixty percent of the vegetation we have removed has been tamarisk, invasives and palms. We have agreements with Army Corps of Engineers, Maricopa Flood Control, US Fish and Wildlife, Department of Environmental Quality. Vegetation material being removed has been up to 11,000 tons of material. Leaving the mesquites, palo verde, sycamores and cottonwoods working to be maintained. I have heard concern about over thinning, however I have been maintaining about 20-25 trees per acre. By the time I get the invasives out that is about what is left anyways. We are maintaining water ways and low flow channels.

Hayton mentions that we do have to maintenance plans moving forward. We need to manage the area moving forward. We have put together an annual maintenance plan to keep it this way.

Alejandra asks who is responsible for the property east of the Mill. Hayton responds that it looks to be AZ Department of Transportations responsibility and we have been in communication with them.

Chair asks what the nature of police calls for service are.

Bentley responds that usually it is call for assistance for individuals and to assist Fire Medical Rescue for fires.

Chair asks, of the 25 individuals that did not accept help, what was their rationale. Bentley says that in general, in working with homeless population that resist service feel their individual needs can be meet without services and a lot of this is about building trust which we all know takes a lot of time.

Chair Jung asks what has been done in the past to build trust.

Bentley lets the Commission know that the HOPE team has been around since 2013. This means individuals going out to the community, meeting individuals where they are at. Many of our HOPE team has lived experience which helps build trust.

Luke Ramsey asks a question in the chat: what is the annual maintenance plan budget? Hayton says there has not been one in the past. Staff will be identifying what those needs are and asking for funding in this year's budget process.

Gretchen R. asks about police calls doubling between 2021 and 2022? Hayton and Bentley say that the general statements previously provided are all we can speak to we would need Police Department to provide more detailed response.

Jake Swanson thanks staff for the information and responsiveness to the request given some concerns we heard from residents. It is great to hear that a majority of the removal has been with invasive species. I was curious about the strategy moving forward with occupying this area again. Is there a prosecution process or a more supportive services approach?

Bentley says that this is a public safety initiative, with that we are trying to assist our community that is detrimental to all of our health. This is an area that is prone to flooding and difficulty providing assistance due to the terrain. With that being said, the initiative is intended to provide opportunity for shelter and vegetation is being pruned to improve natural site lines and surveillance. As patrol officers are within the area, they will be able to see if an encampment is being established in the first place. Folks will have more difficulty to hide. This area is a no trespass zone, it is marked and signed as such. With that, the no trespass is being enforced. The outreach and engagement will remain the first and foremost part of the work. If there is an individual in the area, our Care 7 and HOPE team will come out and provide services while they are being educated on the fact that they are NOT to be there.

Chair Jung states that the strategies to build trust are not being articulated. In the 25% of folks not accepting help then that is a key piece. It sounds like there needs to be a deeper

learning about this smaller population of the unhoused. I want to say thank you for the plan that you have going forward. I am appreciative of Tempe for treating initiatives like this so well and humane.

#### Agenda Item 5 – Smith Road Improvement

German Piedrahita states that this presentation was given to the general public earlier in the month and a recording of that meeting can be found online. Objective of the project is to provide bike lanes, improve lighting, remove visibility barriers, increase shad, improve on street parking. Project design is broken up by section. University to Rio Salado is buffered bike lanes, widening sidewalks, crossings at driveways would be brought up to ADA standards. Looking at shelter with benches for shelters. No on street parking for this section. We have center turn lanes for the industrial area activity that takes place in this area. Apache Blvd to University is second section. We have a lot more residential and varying right of way. Incorporating sidewalk width, bike lanes, and vehicle lands. Buffers would not be introduced until north of 10<sup>th</sup> street. Instead of the buffer we are showing landscaping. Streetscape summary shows what the residents are requesting before the 15% design, generally looking for bike lanes throughout the corridor, no street parking on the south smith road side. We have heard parking is necessary in that area. Lighting, crossings over drive ways and at streets, low impact design. Some design considerations also include fire hydrants, drain pipes, construction easements, utility relocation, transit stops. We are going back to the neighborhood chairs. The challenge we have is that if we want to put something in, we have to take something out.

Chair Jung asks how this design advances the cities sustainability goals?

German responds by saying updating neighborhood street that does not have standard sidewalks and not much else in terms of infrastructure. This design brings in connectivity to Apache Bvld to Tempe market place. The sidewalk is one of the biggest construction elements of the project. Also correct crossing for driveways and intersections. Landscaping between 10<sup>th</sup> street and university that the city has right of way. South of 10<sup>th</sup> street a little harder because we have less right of way.

Chair Jung states that trees are not landscaping. They make our city more cool and walkable therefore they are [art of transportation infrastructure.

German responds that says our design to the north is more landscape than trees because of how tight the area is that we have. The landscape area is outside of the sidewalk. The tree canopy area is more focused on the south side. That does not mean that is our goal but we have to work out the constraints we have.

Gretchen asks about the bus stop.

German says we are working with transit to understand more about what that looks like and where that is located.

Warren (resident) asks for clarification on the sidewalk between Smith and University. There are already sidewalks there and it is very narrow. Is the plan to remove all the sidewalk or retrofit the area.

German says we will be reconstructing all the sidewalks that are currently 4 ft wide. North of University there are some areas where the sidewalk is already upgraded.

Alejandra asks on Howe to Apache. There are vehicles that belong to the duplexes. My main concerns is providing enough parking for those families. I would like to maintain the standpipe art that was done by the community?

German addresses the parking. Certain areas on Lemon and Howe currently do not have on-street parking. We cannot take too much right of way to fit in all the elements the community wants. We want equity for all users. The parking to the north of Howe the front Smith, we've heard community concerns. Might be an area that we cannot provide bike lanes but a hybrid solution. As for the art components, the project will take care of these and we consider it an asset to the community. We will relocate if necessary.

Alejandra also comments that Smith between University and Rio Salado, the picture shows there are no cars parked there but that does not reflect reality.

Chair Jung asks that staff to take note on that comment and work with community to work on parking issues.

Commissioner Swisher asks if there is discussion about included green stormwater infrastructure. Also if its been explored if any of the buffers can play a role in incorporating green stormwater infrastructure and adding trees. This of course also helps provide more physical barriers. Underscore the very car nature of all of these designs.

Director Braden Kay states that he has sent an internal email on our office's recommendations. One is to see where there is an opportunity for green stormwater infrastructure. We have additional money that can be injected into the project to see about opportunities there. The second recommendation is to work with Richard Adkins and our private property tree program to see if we can incentive private property owners that live within a block of the project. Last, we want to work with institutional partners. Tempe just put 30 trees at Thew Elementary and 27 trees and Alagrea park that is in short distance of the bike lane.

#### Agenda Item 6 - Board and Commission Annual Report to Council

Chair Jung asks the commissioners if they have any comments or feedback on the second draft of the annual report?

Commissioners Swisher states that he provided Brianne some feedback via email over the weekend.

Chair Jung states how proud he is of the Commissions work and looks forward to accomplishing even more in the next year.

Vice Chair moves to approve the letter. Natalie seconds. Unanimous approval.

#### Agenda Item 7- 2022 Water, Wastewater, Stormwater Rate Letter of Support

Chair Jung requests any feedback to the letter of support. No members have any comments.

Commissioner Swisher moves to approve the letter. Vice Chair seconds. Unanimous approval.

#### Agenda Item 8 – Housekeeping

Chair mentions that he will be reaching out to new members and staff to do annual check ins.

Fisher mentions the need to move the January meeting given the meeting is currently on a city holiday.

The Commission discusses alternative options and decide to have their next meeting on Monday, January 23.

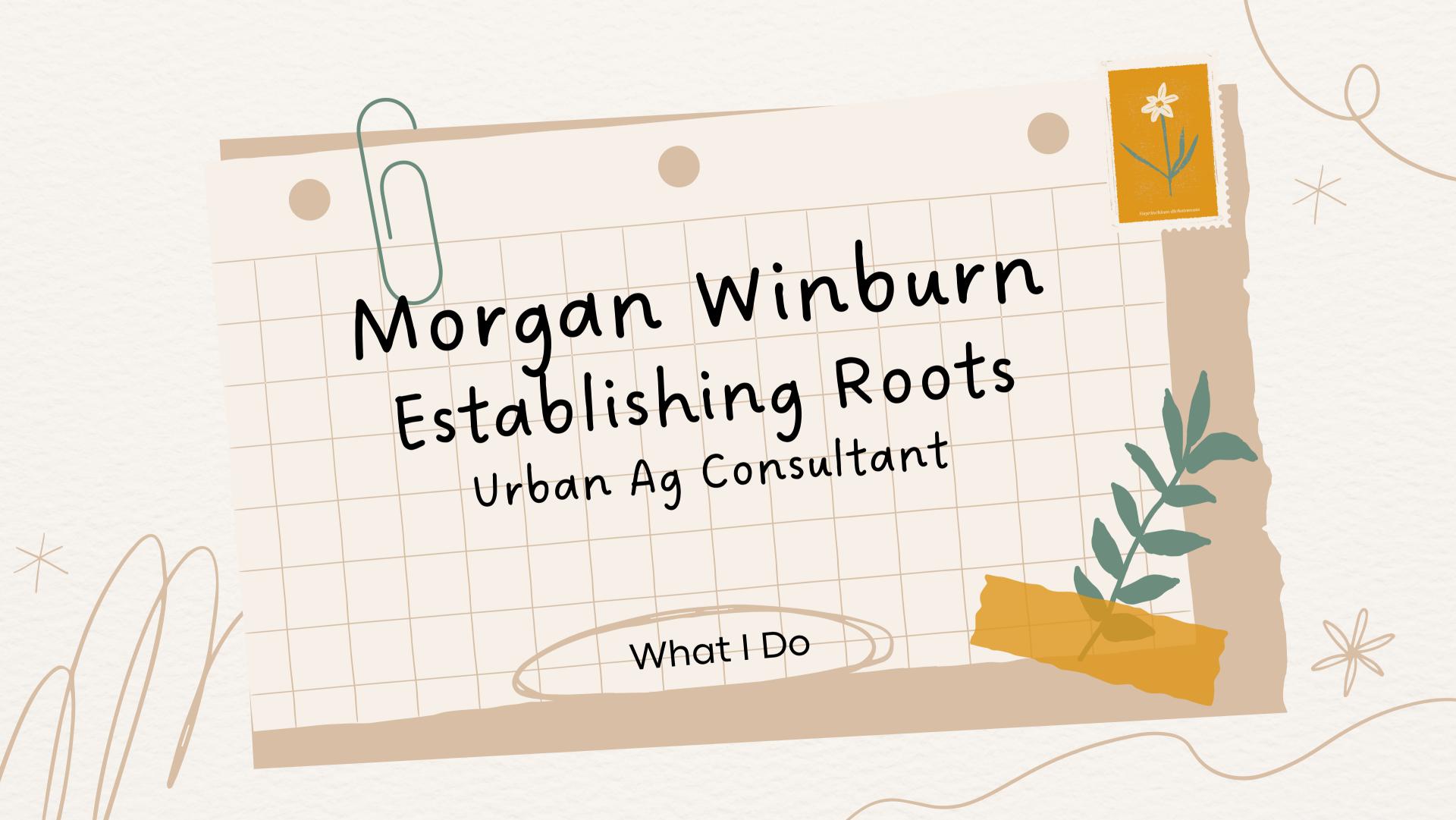
#### Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items

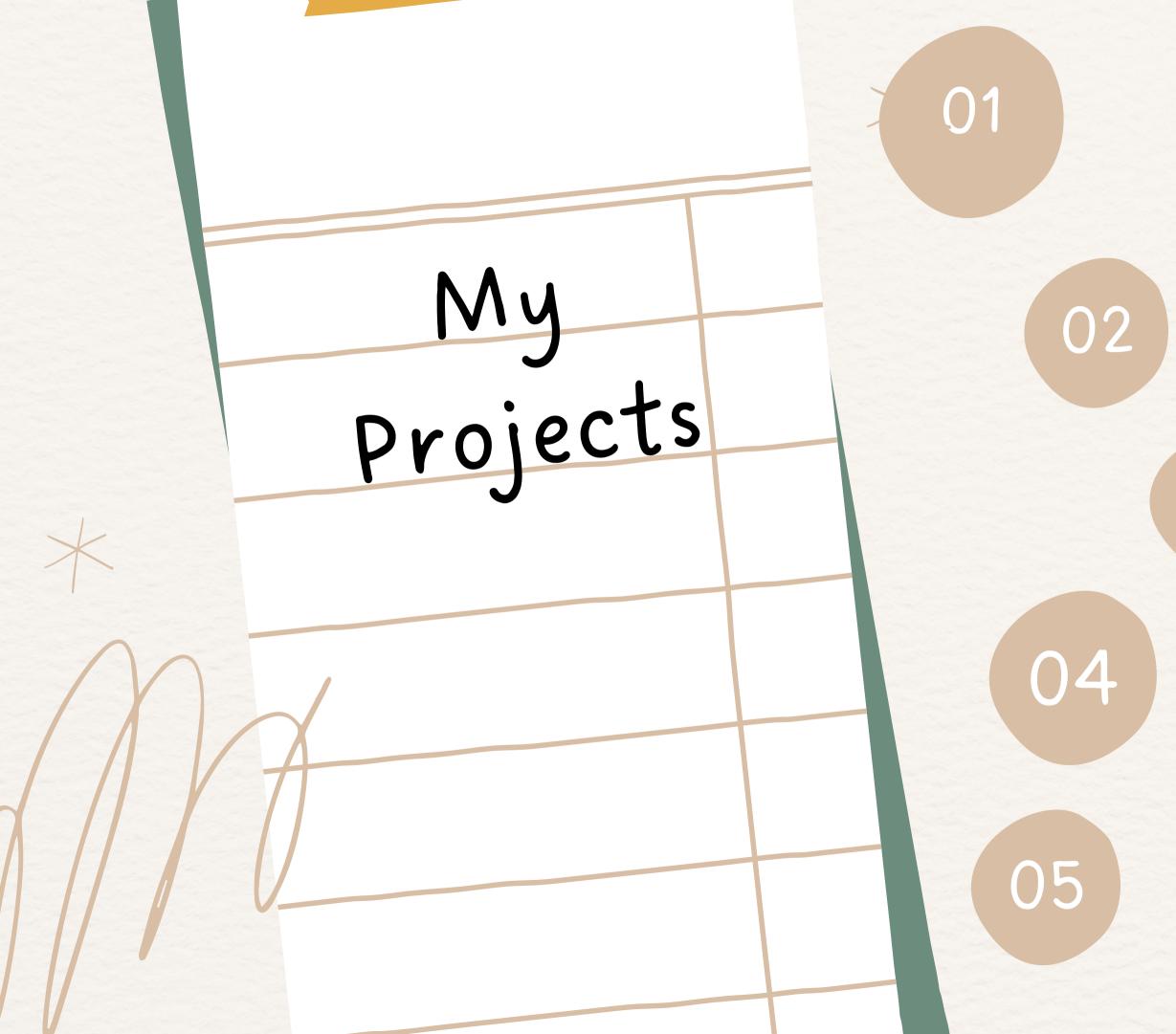
Chair states that he is working with staff on calendaring the year ahead so if there are any topics commissioner desires to email him and we can look to work it in.

Sustainability Commission, November 21, 2022 Vice Chair motions to adjourn the meeting, Swisher seconds. Unanimous approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Prepared by:	Brianne Fisher
Reviewed by:	Brianne Fisher





Developing Community and Gardens for Creighton Community to establish Food Security

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ASU KER Fellowship, Sponsored by KTB, Started a Community of Gardens Coalition

> Consult for 7 Community Gardens, and a Community Ranch

Working with the City of Phoenix on the Backyard Garden Project and starting a Micro Farm with an Innovation Grant City of Tempe Sustainablity Commission

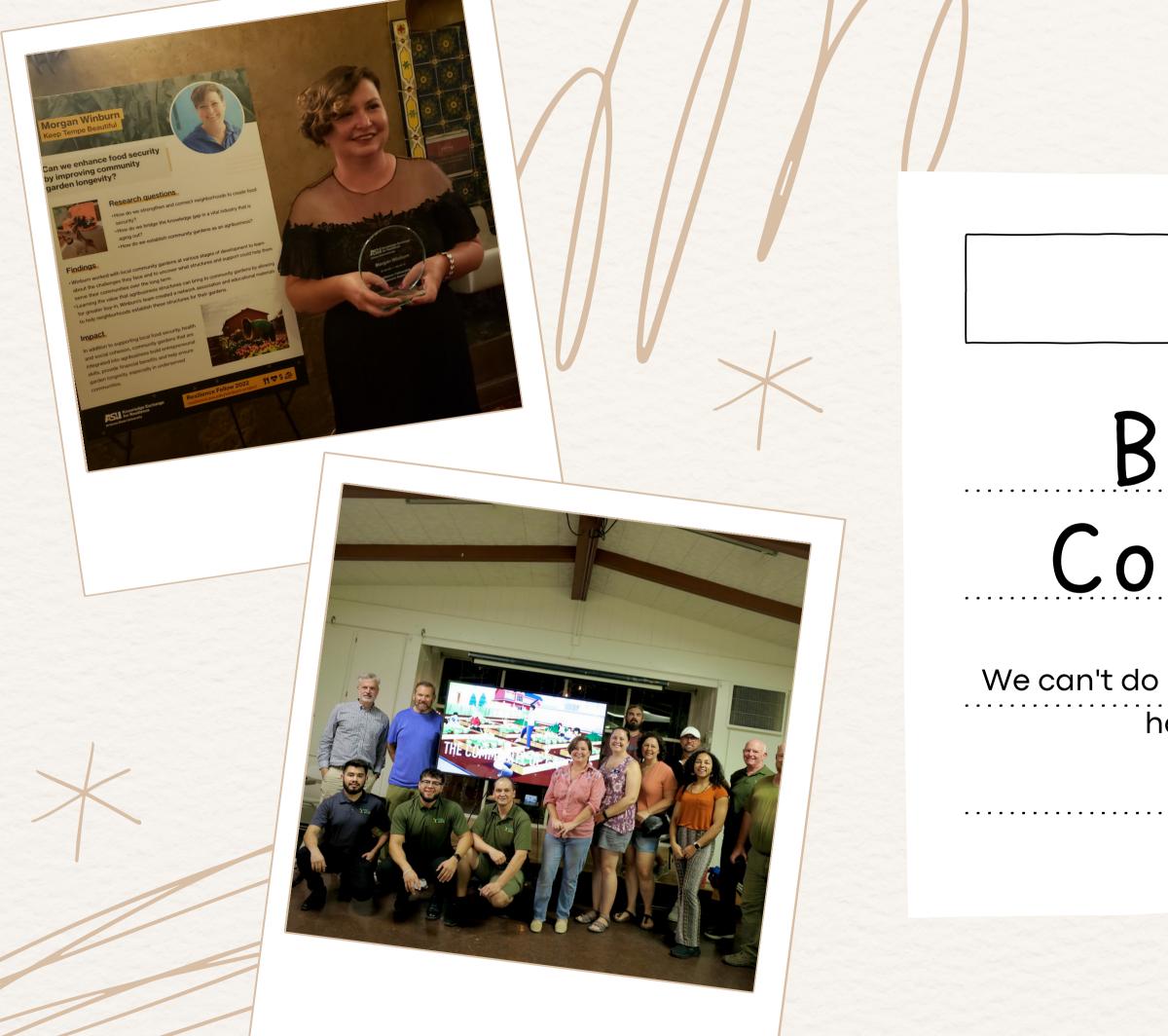
# Finding Ways to Conserve Water on the Path to Food Security







Committed to Food Security through Urban Ag



# Building Community

We can't do it alone. It is a group effort. I just happen to organize it.

# Morgan@ Establishingroots.org

#### Office of Sustainability Budget Supplemental Requests (FY23-24)

The following supplemental requests are for the FY-23-24 budget. The Sustainability and Resilience office recognizes the fiscal realities and this year budget season and has co-created supplemental with other departments. The submissions come from items highlighted in our 2022 Climate Action Plan Update and are created with the guiding principles of Equity, Evidence, Engagement, Fiscal Responsibility and Enterprise. With the exception of one request, all of the request are joint supplemental with other Departments focused on supporting Tempe residents and businesses that may need additional support given changing economic conditions.

#### Requests

Youth Climate Action Coordinator (Reoccurring) \$20,000 [SRO] Extreme Heat Mitigation and Resilient Neighborhood Roadmap (One-time) \$120,000 [FMR,CS,HS,SRO] Shade and Indigenous Land Stewardship (One-time) \$300,000 [CS,SRO,ET] Mobile Water Distribution (One-time) \$7,000 [SRO, HS] Energy Equity Program Development (One-time) \$120,000 [SRO, HS] Food Access and Food Justice (One-time) \$100,000 [SRO,CEFS] Clean Energy Jobs and Workforce Development (One-time) \$120,000 [SRO,ED,CEFS]

#### Sustainability and Resilience Office Supplemental

# Title: Youth Climate Action Coordinator

Budget: \$20,000 Funding: Reoccurring

This supplemental is to fully cover the cost of the Youth Climate Action Coordinator. The first year of the position received partial funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and now there is a need to cover that amount moving forward.

#### Joint Supplementals

Title: Extreme Heat Mitigation and Resilient Neighborhood Roadmap Budget: \$120,000 Funding: One Time Departments: SRO, FMR, CS-NS

In Arizona, heat was responsible for 2,429 deaths between 2010 and 2020. Of these, 1,748 were heat-related deaths of Arizona residents, and 681 were non-residents. Heat-related deaths disproportionately affect Black, Indigenous and People of Color. Additional highly vulnerable groups include the elderly, low-income households who face higher energy burdens, and people experiencing homelessness.

The Extreme Heat Mitigation and Resilient Neighborhood Roadmap brings together efforts in Sustainability and Resilience Office, Neighborhood Services, and Fire Medical Rescue to ensure education, outreach, and program development for resilience hubs and resilient energy hubs are coordinated in an effective and collaborative manner. Heat preparedness and heat relief

can be centered in emergency management practices to reduce hospitalizations caused by heat-related illnesses and deaths. Community resilience approaches can be used to make sure residents, government, nonprofits, and businesses work together to reduce the risk of heat and other shocks. These approaches provide an opportunity to effectively work at the nexus of community resilience, emergency management, climate change adaption, and social equity while also providing opportunities for communities to become more self-determining, socially connected, and improve emergency management and response skills before, during, and after disruptions.

The Extreme Heat Mitigation and Resilient Neighborhood Roadmap will include the following critical components:

- Development of community resilience programming at EnVision Tempe and future resilience hubs (community outreach, educational workshops, signage, giveaways) (SRO) \$5,000
- Creation of Heat Mitigation Strategy and Engagement Fellow to support FMR and SRO in planning and execution of emergency management focused community resilience (FMR) \$40,000
- 3. Development of standard operating procedures for current and future cooling centers and resilience hubs and resilient energy hubs (SRO) \$10,000
- 4. Development of a Resilience Hub Master Plan in coordination with the Climate Justice Community Working Group (SRO, CD-NS) \$60,000

#### Title: Shade and Indigenous Land Stewardship

Budget: \$300,000 Funding: One-time

**Departments:** Sustainability and Resilience Office, Community Services and Engineering and Transportation

This supplemental seeks to add to Tempe tree coverage, while lowering water use and addressing local flooding. The combined work allows seeks to ensure that Tempe works with local tribes and indigenous knowledge experts to practice quality land stewardship with a focus on native plants and practices that center indigenous knowledge and practices. This investment is in line with the Climate Justice Agenda co-created with the Sustainability and Resilience Office (SRO) and Unlimited Potential as part of the 2022 Climate Action Plan Update.

This supplemental will support adding shade and indigenous land stewardship expertise to the Resilient Tempe Master Plan and fund two local master plans to support indigenous land stewardship in the Salt River corridor (river bottom) and Indian Bend Wash.

Additional funding will support a communications and maintenance guide for operating and maintaining indigenous and native landscapes and a contractor to support specific infrastructure installations and services. This investments will ensure high quality implementation and ongoing care for native gardens, right of ways and pilot projects.

This supplemental will ensure the city makes major strides in increasing shade with low-water and indigenous practices. It will also ensure that two critical natural areas of the city have much needed long-term planning to ensure they are signature locations to demonstrate shade and indigenous land stewardship.

#### Program Components:

- 1. Consulting Services for Indigenous Ecology and Shade Expertise: \$40,000 (SRO)
- 2. Rio Salado River Bottom Indigenous Ecology and Resilient Plan: \$120,000 (Community Services)
- 3. Indian Bend Wash and Indigenous Land Stewardship Corridor Plan: \$150,000 (SRO)
- 4. Native and Indigenous Landscape Maintenance Guide: \$40,000 (SRO)
- 5. Green Stormwater and Low-Water Landscape Contractor: \$50,000 (Engineering and Transportation)

#### Title: Mobile Water Distribution

Budget: \$7,000 Funding: One-time Departments: Sustainability & Resilience Office and Human Services

The City of Tempe is often expected to provide drinking water, especially at large events, during outreach events, during high heat months, at cooling centers, or to our most vulnerable population. As city staff prepares for the opening of EnVision Tempe, the first resilience energy hub, reliable access to water will be a critical component for promoting community preparedness, adaptation to extreme heat, and emergency response.

As a response to this desired service, the Sustainability and Resilience Office in coordination with Human Services will provide funding for Downtown Tempe Association to rent a mobile drinking water distribution station for their bi-annual Festival of the Arts. To couple the mobile drinking water station, the funding will provide co-branded reusable water bottles. The water bottles can be used throughout the year for Human Services and Sustainability and Resilience Office community needs and be used to raise awareness about the HOPE team.

- 1. Mobile Water Distribution Station for Arts Festival: \$4,000
- 2. Branded Re-useable Water Bottles: \$3,000

#### Title: Energy Equity Program Development Budget: \$125,000 Funding: One-time Departments: Sustainability & Resilience Office, Human Services, Government Relations

Residents want to live in homes that assure a comfortable and healthy indoor living environment and provide cooling that conserves energy. Unfortunately, some disadvantaged

residents have to choose between paying for electricity and other necessities because the cost of cooling their homes is too expensive.

The Energy Equity Program Development supplement will continue to fund educational outreach and relationship building with Tempe residents and landlords on how energy policies are made in Tempe and Arizona the energy efficiency opportunities available. Some of the funds will be made available to residents as incentives to support energy investments in single family, multi-family, and mobile homes. The results of this work will be used to form partnerships and develop a strategy for applying for federal energy efficiency funding.

- 1. Energy Equity Program Development (\$50,000)
  - Collect and analyze data on Tempe housing stock and energy burden. Continue to work with APS and SRP on data access to inform program development.
  - Establish a Climate Justice Advisory Group to help inform program development, incentives, education material, and outreach.
  - Participate and partner with Maricopa County's Energy Insecurity Working Group on building workforce capacity.
  - Participate and partner with ASU's Knowledge Exchange for Resilience and Healthy Urban Environments on pilot projects.
- 2. Energy Policy Consulting (GRO) \$15,000
- 3. Energy Equity in Residential Pilot Project (HS) \$60,000

#### Title: Food Access and Food Justice

Budget: \$100,000 Funding: One-time Departments: Sustainability and Resilience Office and Education, Career & Family Services

Food insecurity increases during economic downturns. With increase food costs coupled with the housing crisis, Tempe's most vulnerable residents need food access and food justice solutions. The Climate Justice and Youth Agendas in the 2022 Climate Action Update recommended that the city take further steps to make food more available to residents with low-incomes and provide more food production opportunities in schools, housing and neighborhoods.

The Food Access and Food Justice supplemental will immediate food relief pilot projects in schools and at EnVision Tempe. It will fund the cities first food entrepreneurship pilot project to create more opportunities for Tempe residents to start food businesses. The supplemental will also fund pilot projects to pilot the City of Phoenix's backyard garden and food forest programs. The results of this work to get food to Tempe's most vulnerable residents to accompany existing programs and specifically target families through schools and EnVision Tempe. The work will also build a proof of concept for longer term food access solutions that will make the City of Tempe more competitive for larger federal grants and philanthropic investments.

- 1. Food Access and Distribution at EnVision (\$25,000)
- 2. School Food Distribution Pilot (\$25,000)
- 3. Local Food Access Workforce and Entrepreneurship Pilot (\$15,000)
- 4. Backyard Garden Pilot (\$35,000)

Title: Clean Energy Jobs and Workforce Development Budget: \$120,000 Funding: One-time Departments: Sustainability and Resilience Office, Human Services, Government Relations

With deep federal investment and new leadership at the state level there is an opportunity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through creating the clean energy economy workforce and supporting Tempe small businesses in their efforts to save money and reduce energy use.

This supplemental will allow Economic Development to provide businesses access to information and funds to invest in energy efficiency so more money can be spent on the business. This supplemental funding will couple with their redevelopment program. Some funding will be made available to a local non-profit to support clean energy training and rebate awareness.

Additional funds will go to supplement existing workforce development dollars to support Tempe residents interested the electrical and building trades.

Thirdly, funds will be used to support green job training with youth through Tempe Union High School District and Mayors Youth Advisory Council students to ensure more students are aware of the clean energy economy and green jobs.

This investment will result in Tempe businesses reducing their carbon footprints and energy buildings and increase the number of Tempeans participating in the clean energy economy.

- 1. Business Clean Energy Fund: \$50,000 (Economic Development)
- 2. Clean Energy Business Campaign: \$25,000 (Sustainability and Resilience)
- 3. Green Job Workforce Development and Job Supporting: \$25,000 (Education, Career, Family Services)
- 4. Youth Awareness and Green Job Training: \$20,000 (Sustainability and Resilience)

# Tempe Sustainability Award Application: Achievement of the Year

The Sustainability & Resilience Commission asks Tempe residents to nominate people, projects or organizations for the sustainability achievement of the year award. This award is meant to highlight people and projects in our city that are setting an example of how we can create a more sustainable and resilient city.

Who's eligible? Sustainability Awards recognize residents, organizations, youth and businesses that help to strengthen and creatively build the Tempe community through their commitment to and involvement in sustainability.

Who can nominate? Individuals, neighborhood groups, community organizations, and homeowners associations are encouraged to nominate any person, group, or business they feel exemplify sustainability at its best.

# Include:

- 1. Completed form (reverse side)
- 2. Narrative: Why this nominee or project merits recognition. What has this individual, group, youth or business done to create a more sustainable and resilient neighborhood or community that is "above and beyond" notable? Describe how it meets recognition criteria, 1 page maximum.
- 3. Letters, emails, and documentations in support of the nomination.

# Submit: Follow instructions specific to this category below

By Tuesday, February 15, 2023 at 5:00 pm. Late or incomplete nominations will not be considered.

Email: brianne\_fisher@tempe.gov (Subject Line: Sustainability Award Nominee)

Awards will be presented at the Neighborhood Celebration Event on Saturday, April 1, 2023.

# Award recognizes excellence in:

- Energy efficiency and conservation
- Water conservation and reclamation
- Sustainable practices such as high-performance building
- Leadership in building and engaging neighborhood communication, projects, activities and improvements
- Creativity and innovation in sustainable solutions
- Unique contributions of time, effort, skills, and/or financial resources to City's sustainable goals and objectives

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

The award winner is selected by the Sustainability & Resilience Commission, an advisory board to the Mayor and Council on sustainable initiatives and achievements.

Please complete this form to nominate a person, group, youth or business for Achievement of the Year Award.

Person/group/youth/business being nominated:		
Description of nominee's efforts/narrative (attach up to one page)		

# Nominee Info-complete all fields

Name:
Address:
Email:
Phone:

# Nominator Info-complete all fields

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# **SRC Annual Planning**

## December

- Richard Adkins river bottom report
- Budget
- Water, Wastewater, Stormwater Rate Study Letter of Support
- Annual Report Approval
- Housekeeping
  - Neighborhood Award Nominations

# January

- Culdesac Presentation Mobility Hubs and TDM
- Morgan Winburn Local Food Synergies
- Budget Discussion

# February

- AIA Design Competition
- Neighborhood Award Winners
- General Plan Chapter Review
- IGCC and EV Ready

## March

- Joint Meeting with DRC
- House Keeping
  - o Earth Month Events
  - Saturday April 1, 2023, Neighborhood Celebration event
    8:30am-10:30am

# April

- EnVision Tempe Update
- Regional Resilience Update
- Budget
- Housekeeping
  - Policy and Grants Coordinator Intro

#### May

# **SRC Annual Planning**

- Equitable Heat Map / Heat Relief Efforts
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Cool Kids Grant report out
- Budget

# June

• Retreat

# July - OFF

# August

- NAC Joint Meeting
  - Perception of Heat Mitigation efforts
  - o Resilience Hub outreach plan
  - o Resilient Tempe Master Plan

# September

- Resilient Tempe Master Plan Update
- USDA Grow Local Tempe update

# October

- Energy Efficiency Proclamation
- SRC Annual Report

## November

• SRC Annual Report

# December