



Sustainability Commission

MEETING DATE

Monday, September 16, 2019 4:30 p.m.

MEETING LOCATION

Engineering & Transportation Conference Room 31 E. 5th Street, City Hall, Garden Level Tempe, Arizona

AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER	ACTION or INFORMATION
1. Public Appearances The Sustainability Commission welcomes public comment for items listed on this agenda. There is a three-minute time limit per citizen.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (4:30 – 4:33 pm)	Information
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes The Commission will be asked to review and approve meeting minutes from the August 19, 2019 meeting.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (4:33 – 4:35 pm)	Action
3. Solid Waste Rate Study Update Staff will provide updates on the solid waste rate study.	Stephen White, Planning Resource Analyst, Tanya Chavez, Interim Deputy Directory, Municipal Utilities Department, Tony Miano, Solid Waste Manager, (4:35 – 4:55 pm)	Information
4. Climate Action Plan Approval Timeline Staff will provide updates.	Braden Kay, Sustainability Director (4:55 – 5:15 pm)	Information
5. Climate Action Plan 1.0 – Highlighted Actions Chair and Vice-Chair will provide updates.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair, Ryan Mores, Vice Chair (5:15 – 5:55 pm)	Action
6. Housekeeping Items - September 21 - November 7 Council meeting - Commission work after adoption of CAP	Braden Kay, Sustainability Director (6:10 – 6:20 pm)	Action
7. Future Agenda Items Commission may request future agenda items.	Kendon Jung, Commission Chair (6:20 – 6:30 pm)	Information

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Minutes City of Tempe Sustainability Commission August 19, 2019

Minutes of the Tempe Sustainability Commission meeting held on Monday, August 19, 2019, 4:30 p.m., at the Engineering & Transportation Conference Room, City Hall, 31 E. 5th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Kendon Jung (Chair) Ryan Mores (Vice Chair) Barbie Burke Steven Russell Sukkie Jahnke Stephanie Milam-Edwards Serita Sulzman Katja Brundiers Gretchen Reinhardt

(MEMBERS) Absent:

John Kane

City Staff Present:

Braden Kay, Sustainability Director
Grace DelMonte Kelly, Energy Management Coordinator

Guests Present:

Suzanne Kraemes Mike Bok Alex Grimes Ashley Cami

Chair Jung called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 - Public Appearance

Chair Jung asked the guests to introduce themselves.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair Jung introduced the minutes of the June 17, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Milam-Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Burke seconded.

Motion: Commissioner Milam-Edwards

Second: Commissioner Burke **Decision:** Approved 8-0

Voted to Approve:

Kendon Jung (Chair) Ryan Mores (Vice Chair) Barbie Burke Steven Russell Stephanie Milam-Edwards Serita Sulzman Katja Brundiers Gretchen Reinhardt

Commissioner Jahnke abstained.

Agenda Item 3 – Grants Update

Sustainability Director Braden Kay provided updates on grants.

- Health Impact Project
 - Working to collect heat data for playgrounds
 - Survey of Directors interested in how arterial walls impact heat
 - We would like to select walls that do not increase the urban heat island
 - Different way to collect heat information:
 - Mobile data
 - Weather sensors
 - Infrared photo technology
 - Survey
 - Questions when we do bi-annual survey
 - Heat walk along playground
- Partner with Urban Land Institute (ULI) on affordable housing and sustainable place making.
 - Council approved the affordable housing strategy 3 weeks ago. ULI grant will help us figure out how to move forward with that strategy.
- We were co-applicants on the Green Infrastructure working group to all-hazard mitigation plan with the City of Phoenix.
 - We've partnered with Maricopa County Flood Control District and Phoenix on workshops with EPA and FEMA. The new emergency manager can help with this. This will be a place to get funding.
- Braden thanked Mike Bell for his leadership. He got Maryann Corder grants to address a neighborhood challenge, to fund trees on private property.
- The urban forestry plan is trees on public lands, If Mike Bell's project is successful, there will be 40 trees planted on private property. This is a good example of neighbors getting together to find opportunities to help with climate action.

Agenda Item 4 – Climate Action Plan Approval Timeline

Sustainability Director Braden Kay gave the following timeline:

- August 27 Draft Climate Action Plan released
- September 5 Work Study Session presentation
- September 10 Public Meeting at the Library
- September 30 plan comment period closes
- November 7, 2019 council adoption

Braden said Commissioners can meet with council before or after work study session meeting. Council will be presented with a new performance measure for community carbon neutrality on October 24th.

Agenda Item 5 - Climate Action Plan 1.0

Chair Kendon Jung thanked commissioners for responding to meeting scheduling invites. He said there will be one person per focus area to meet with a council member. We will work to schedule these meetings. We are all versed on the climate action plan.

Commissioners commented and asked:

- Has the commission met individually with council members?
- Can you walk through the appointment? How do we prepare?
- They will hear about the technical aspects from us.
- We need to explain the concepts in the climate action plan to council members.

Braden said as we talk about the climate action plan, we will tell them about our four highlighted actions, our ideas to collaborate and help them understand 45% of emissions come from transportation. We are trying to make the climate action relatable. Braden said each of you bring a relatable story on why you're on the commission. Council will see a presentation on transportation demand management. Your role is to present the information and decide how to grow the ideas and convey that to others.

Agenda Item 6 - Climate Action Plan 2.0 Guiding Principles

Sustainability Director Braden Kay said we will present the twelve actions and four highlight actions to council and we will present the guiding principles for climate action plan 2.0. From Portland, we learned to start simple and show:

- 1. Fiscal responsibility
- 2. Evidence / effectiveness
- 3. Engagement
- 4. Enterprise
- Equity

We now have grants and pilot projects driving them. We want these to continue to be on your radar. Once we have approval on the guiding principles, the first climate action plan is about initial steps and how we engage neighborhoods.

Agenda Item 7 - Housekeeping Items

There is a youth climate summit on September 7th at 8:30 am at the student pavilion. Paul Hirt will give the key note speech. He will help students understand what role they play and train students to be organized on their own for climate action.

- Wrigley speaker from citizen climate lobby and inter-faith movement September 24th
- Climate town hall at Tempe Emanuel on August 29th at 6 p.m.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items

There will be a solid waste rate study update next meeting and an Urban Core Master Plan update.

A motion was made to adjourn.

All approved 9 - 0

Motion: Commissioner Russell **Second:** Commissioner Jahnke

Decision: Approved

Kendon Jung (Chair) Ryan Mores (Vice Chair) Barbie Burke Steven Russell Stephanie Milam-Edwards Serita Sulzman Katja Brundiers Gretchen Reinhardt Sukki Jahnke

All present approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Prepared by: Grace DelMonte Kelly

Reviewed by: Braden Kay

Sustainability Commission Solid Waste Update

Sept. 16, 201



Presentation Focus



- Tempe's commitment to the recycle program
- Change in trash collection days
- Green Organics Program
- Alley Maintenance Program
- Solid Waste Rate Study

Council Priority 4: Sustainable Growth & Development



Performance Measure 4.04: Achieve or exceed the Council adopted Solid Waste diversion rates by 2020

		Baseline	
	Target	(FY15/16)	Current
Residential	40%	18.80%	22.80%
Commercial	25%	4.90%	24.20%



Valley Solid Waste Rates



City	Solid Waste Monthly Fee
Mesa	\$29.34
Phoenix	\$26.80
Tempe	\$25.60
Glendale	\$21.80
Scottsdale	\$18.75
Peoria	\$15.29
Gilbert	\$14.80

Recycling News





Residential Diversion Programs









1. CARDBOARD

2. PAPER

3. FOOD BOXES

4. MAIL

6. FOOD CANS 7. GLASS BOTTLES

8. JARS (GLASS & PLASTIC)

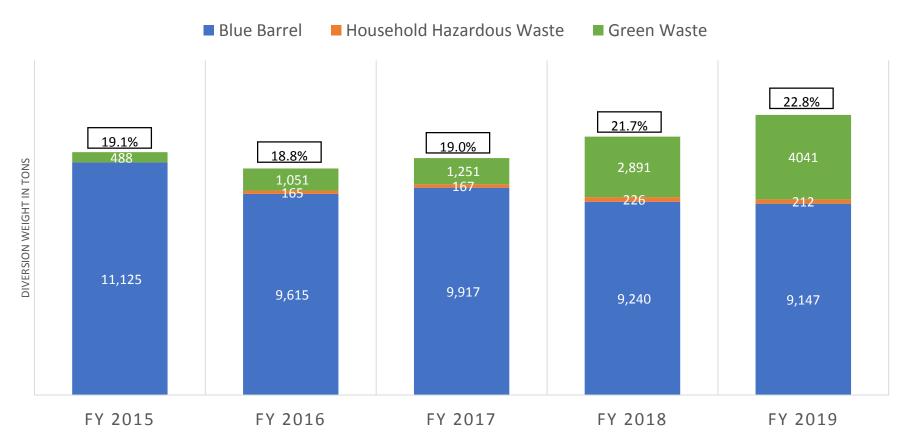
9. JUGS

5. BEVERAGE CANS 10. PLASTIC BOTTLES AND CAPS



Residential Diversion Goal 40% by 2020





Change of Trash Day



Current Collection Days Monday/Thursday north of US60 Tuesday/Friday south of US60

Potential Collection Days Monday/Wednesday Tuesday/Thursday

Why the change?



- Improve customer service
- Improve efficiencies
- Reduce mileage
- Reduce cost

Green Organics Update







Service day	Total Containers	Setout Rate	Tonnage
Monday	763	34%	276
Tuesday	752	55%	926
Thursday	560	31%	225
Friday	634	37%	314
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FY 18/19 Totals	2,709	40%	1,740

Alley Maintenance Program











Compost and Inert Operations













Reuse of diverted materials



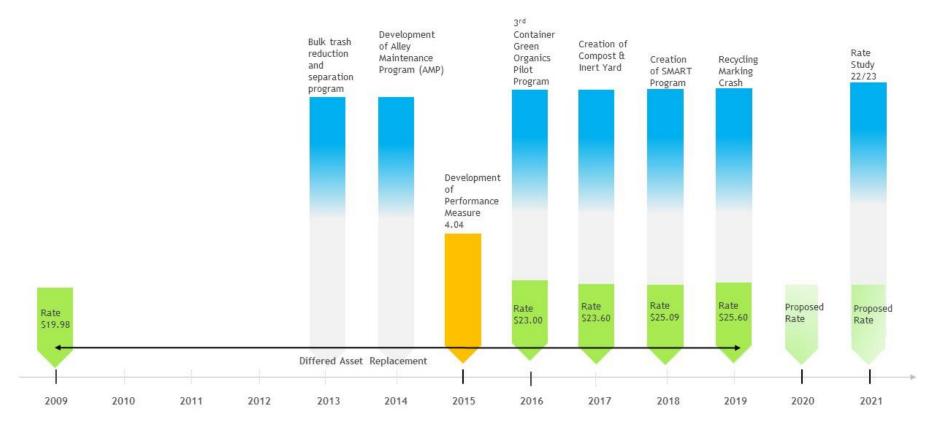






Solid Waste Rate Study History





Timeline



- 9/19/19 Council WSS Rate Recommendations
- 9/23/19 10/7/19 Public Comment Period
- 10/1/19 First draft of 2020/2021 Rates
- 10/3/19– Public Meeting (Tempe History Museum, 5:30-7:30 p.m.)
- 10/5/19 Public Meeting –(Tempe Public Library, 9:30-11:30 a.m.)
- 12/12/19 Council Adoption
- 1/1/20 Effective date of new rates



Climate Action Plan



Public Forum
September 10, 2019





What is a Climate Action Plan (CAP)?

Tempe's Climate Action Plan:

- Global Covenant of Mayors
- 12 actions to reduce GHG emissions and improve resilience to extreme heat
- New Performance Measure for community GHG emissions



Related Performance Measures

- Carbon neutrality in municipal operations by 2050, with a strategy of 100% renewable energy sources by 2035 (4.19)
- Achieving a citywide 25% tree and shade canopy by 2040 (4.11)
- Creating a multimodal transportation system (20-minute city) where residents can meet all basic daily, non-work needs (3.26)



What is in Tempe's Climate Action Plan?

- Overview
- Community Actions
 - Emissions Reduction
 - Energy & Energy Efficiency
 - Transportation
 - Resilience
 - Extreme Heat
- Municipal Actions GHG Inventory
- Climate Action Plan 2021 Update



Emission Reduction vs. Resilience

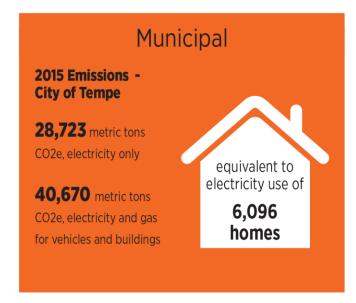
- Emissions Reduction: Energy and Transportation
 - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
 - Become a more livable and economically viable
 - Invest in a better city for future generations
- Resilience: Extreme Heat
 - Become more resilient to climate change
 - Help Tempe achieve its sustainability goals

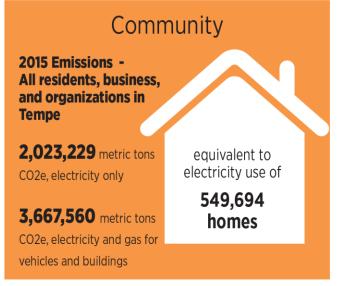


Emissions in Tempe

- Municipal emissions: City facilities and operations
- Community emissions: Electricity production and transportation emissions

GHG Emissions Baseline

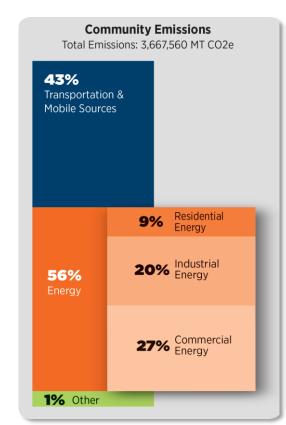


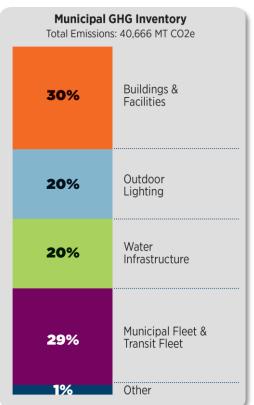




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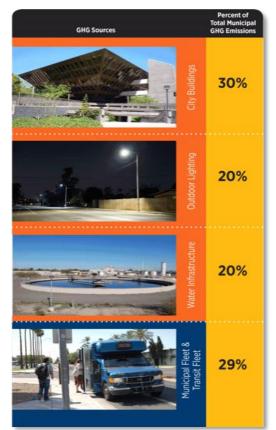




Municipal Operations Emissions

City buildings, outdoor lighting, and water treatment account for 70% of municipal emissions

City fleet, transit fleet, and employee commute account for 30% of municipal emissions





City Buildings

- Solar panels at six facilities
- Energy audits and retrofits

Next action

Facilities Sustainability Plan









Municipal Actions: Outdoor Lighting

Outdoor Lighting

 Converted streetlights to LED

Next actions

- LED street lighting
- LED park lighting
- LED building exterior lighting







Municipal Actions: Water Treatment

Water Treatment

- Research technologies to lower energy & water use
- Power operations with renewable energy

Next action

Assessment of water treatment operations







Municipal Actions: City Fleet

Fleet and Transit Fleet

- Prioritize electric vehicle (EV) investments
- Orbit & Flash buses –
 alternative fuel

Next actions

- Electric vehicle feasibility study
- Increase EV purchasing





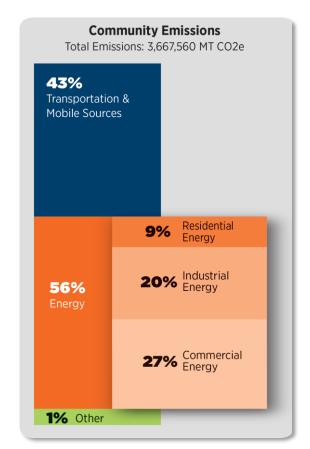
Moving Towards Municipal Carbon Neutrality

- Partner with utilities on fleet electrification & renewable energy
- Collaborate with city departments facilities, streets, transit, water utilities - to reduce carbon emissions
- Measure and report on carbon emissions reduction



Community GHG Emissions

- 56% of GHG emissions in Tempe are from energy production across residents, businesses, industries, and nonprofits
- 43% of the GHG emissions in Tempe are from transportation





Community Climate Action: Energy

- 56% of community GHG emissionselectricity production
- Challenge: A least 50% of electricity that powers Tempe homes and businesses comes from fossil fuels
- Support businesses and residents in load shifting and energy upgrades
 - Saves money
 - Promotes clean energy economy





Community Climate Action: Transportation

- 43% of community GHG emissions = vehicular emissions
- Tempe leads Arizona in alternative transportation: bus, bike, light rail
- The shift from single-occupancy vehicles to alternative modes of transportation:
 - Improves air quality
 - Lowers GHG emissions





Community Climate Action: Extreme Heat

- Summers have more extreme heat days, fueled by urban heat island (UHI) effect
- Extreme heat poses serious health risks for vulnerable populations and Tempe's economy
- Green infrastructure and low-impact development can make Tempe cooler and more livable.





Collaboration on the CAP

- Building Capacity
- Community Engagement







Capacity Building

- Future Shocks and City Resilience boardgame
 - Engage/educate city leaders about sustainability issues
 - Present new perspectives and thinking for sustainable management
- Sustainability Goal Setting and Strategy Workshop
 - Introduce focus areas of CAP
 - Develop deeper understanding of sustainable infrastructure and resilient communities





Community Engagement

Forums

 Build support for key investments in target areas (energy, transportation, heat, etc.)

Engagement with City Departments

 Ensure alignment of actions and the climate action planning process with existing city actions and planning

Interviews

 Generating ideas, getting feedback on initial concepts and testing communications strategy







Forum Discussions and Stakeholders

Energy:

- Opportunities to support energy upgrades in residential and commercial buildings
- Community solar development to increase access to renewable energy
- Stakeholders: APS, SRP, ASU, Renewable Energy Firms

Transportation:

- Electric vehicles use and infrastructure
- Streetcar and other modes of transportation that reduce congestion and the need for car travel
- Stakeholders: Valley Metro, ADOT, Waymo, Tempe Chamber of Commerce

Extreme Heat:

- Cooling the city with trees, vegetation, material use and smart stormwater practices
- Lessening the impact of extreme heat through education and preparedness
- **Stakeholders:** AZ Dept. of Forestry & Fire Management, Watershed Management Group, SRP Sustainability Team, Tempe FMR, ASU



Engagement with City Departments

- ASU, MAG, DTA, and Engineering and Transportation on transportation actions
- ASU and Strategic Management and Diversity Office on autonomous vehicles
- Engineering and Transportation and Internal Services on energy actions
- Sustainable Cities Network on extreme heat and green infrastructure
- Fire Medical Rescue Department, and Police Department on Emergency Management
- Community Development on Green Building Code



Interviews

- Conducted semi-structured, group interviews with:
 - 42 Tempe city staff
 - Non-profits
 - Commissioners
 - Key stakeholders such as the Tempe Chamber of Commerce and Local First Arizona
- Results included:
 - Current actions to reduce emissions
 - Recommendations for future collaborations
 - Areas of strength, investment, expertise for CAP



Timeline: CAP Engagement

- Spring 2018
- Summer 2018
- Fall 2018
- September 2018
- October 30th 2018
- Oct./Nov. 2018
- February 26th 2019
- March 19th 2019
- Summer 2019
- September 7th
- September 10th
- September 21st
- Fall 2019

Internal Interviews

External Interviews

Engagements with City Departments

Forums on Extreme Heat

Forum on *Energy*

Forums on *Transportation*

Forums on *Extreme Heat and Energy*

Climate Action Plan Open House

Finalize Plan

CAP Draft Review

CAP Draft Review

CAP Draft Review

Council Adoption

Tempe.

Climate Action Plan Overview

Energy and Energy Efficiency

- Create resilient energy hubs with renewable energy and energy storage.
- Create a revolving fund to support energy upgrades to businesses and schools in Tempe.
- Create a centralized sustainability platform to help businesses implement energy upgrades.
- Pilot solar electric vehicle charging to capture and store energy during peak sunlight hours.

Transportation

- Create an urban core Transportation Demand Management program and a Transportation Management Association.
- Prioritize safe and low-stress connections by walking, biking or riding transit in all transportation projects.
- Invest in electric vehicle charging infrastructure and adopt building code changes that support electric vehicles.
- Develop an automated mobility readiness guide and policy framework.

Extreme Heat

- Adopt Green Infrastructure and low-impact development standards.
- Adopt Green Building Code with support for increasing shade and use of cool materials.
- Further invest in Urban Forestry Master Plan to provide more shade in parks and along streets.
- Invest in new emergency management program and develop resilience plan for extreme heat.



Highlight Energy Action

- Resilient energy hubs
 - Partner with utilities to reduce barriers to adding solar and battery storage to community centers, schools, and churches.
 - Meet the power needs of the most vulnerable populations in case of emergency





Highlight Transportation Action

- Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program
 - A TDM program encourages transit and carpooling
 - Provides congestion mitigation alternatives
 - The Transportation
 Management Association
 (TMA) is a public-private
 partnership that aims to reduce
 traffic congestion and carbon
 emissions.





Highlight Extreme Heat Action

- Green Infrastructure & Low Impact Design Standards
 - Design landscapes that capture stormwater while growing vegetation for shade and urban cooling
 - Promotes a walkable and comfortable city
 - Saves water
 - Keeps Tempe cool





Highlight Extreme Heat Action

- International Green Construction Code (IgCC)
 - Make construction more sustainable
 - Increased resilience to extreme heat
 - Encourage sustainable construction methods and materials
 - Structural shade
 - Supports cool materials
 - Requires more tree canopy coverage





What's Next: CAP 2021 Update

- Tempe's CAP 2021 Update will incorporate the following guiding principles to ensure quality and effective climate action is taken:
 - Fiscal responsibility
 - Make financially wise climate action investments
 - Equity
 - Prioritize job creation and professional development
 - Engagement/Education
 - Create engagements that allow residents connect with content
 - Enterprise
 - Tempe businesses can promote climate action
 - Effectiveness/Evidence
 - Evidence that climate actions have an impact

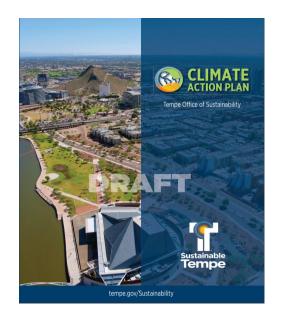


Timeline (Future and CAP 2021 Update)

- September 7th Public Event
- September 10th Public Event
- September 21st Public Event and Heat Walk
- Fall 2019
 Finalize CAP
- Fall 2019 Council Approval
- Spring 2020 Forums on CAP 2021 Update
- Spring 2021 Analyze 2020 data
- Summer 2021 Draft & edit CAP 2021 Update
- November 2021 Council Adoption



GHG Reduction Target Recommendation



80% of 2015 community GHG emissions by 2050 and 100% carbon neutral by 2060