



Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE and to the general public that THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE will hold the following meeting which will be open to the public:

2015  
**CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE**

**March 18, 2015**

**MINUTES**

The CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE (CCC) held a meeting on WEDNESDAY, March 18, 2015, 3:00 PM, at the Tucson Parks and Recreation Administration Office (900 S Randolph Way), Tucson, Arizona. The meeting took place in the Mesquite Conference Room.

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**1. Call to Order/ Roll call**

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 pm. Juan Garcia, Gregg Garfin, Charles Hutchinson, Dick Reeves, Ben Champion, Phil Swaim, Frank Slingerland, Ron Proctor, Lisette DeMars, John Schwarz, Joanie Sawyer, Barbara Warren, Michele Manos.

**2. Action: February 18, 2015 Minutes**

Phil made a motion to approve the February minutes as amended by the committee. John seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**3. General Announcements**

Committee members gave general updates. No action taken

**4. Status: CCC Membership update**

No current activity

**5. Discussion: Mayor and Council Meeting updates**

Updates were given by members of the committee regarding the "Net Zero" recommendation letter meetings with the Mayor and Councilmembers.

Ward 2 – Phil reported meeting with councilmember Cunningham:

- He is very supportive
- Would like to see a plan to achieve goal
- Likes the reality of the big vision
- Carbon tax discussion – means of funding
- Verbal commitment to put on M/C agenda w/ more CCC direction

Ward 6 – Lisette/Ben reported follow up meeting with councilmember Kozachik, Leslie Ethen also attended

- Tangible discussion items
- Labeling measures

## **6. Adaptation subcommittee update**

Adaptation subcommittee provided an update on their work. They will be using the Denver adaptation plan as a framework for the construction of a Tucson plan. After reviewing the Cascadia report, the Stuart Moody report, and Plan Tucson, no one document meets the needs for a new adaptation plan but rather parts of each can contribute to the creation of a new plan. The subcommittee's goal is to create an interim adaptation report in the short term while a more comprehensive plan is worked on and finished in the next year. The subcommittee conveyed to the general committee that a regional conversation is needed to collaborate (equal involvement) work with the County and PAG to establish a shared mission among regional municipalities and that the CCC should be a force of support in these efforts, but not the lead. The subcommittee will schedule additional meetings and continue work.

## **7. Review of previous committee-identified mitigation measures**

The committee discussed the previously adopted measures in the Climate Mitigation Report (2011), it was suggested that the measures (20-30) be listed along with their current status for reference and to also better understand the challenges new or rehashed recommendations may face. One suggestion was to look at the "big winners" throughout the country to create list of measures that have a proven sequence to accomplishment. The natural progression of adaptation leading into mitigation and its importance in getting a person's attention, helping them recognize reality, and creating initiative in the individual was also discussed. This topic will be on the agenda of the next Committee meeting for further discussion.

## **8. Future Agenda Items**

The committee requested that the next agenda include:

- Mitigation report: contacting individuals for input.
- Tucson Water Presentation
- CCC membership/ vacant seats
- Bylaws update

## **9. Call to Audience**

Kris Basel

- Would like to see CCC lead Mitigation Effort
- Funding options should be included in proposals: Local ordinances for solar, tax credits, rebates, Tarp funding availability, Financial Transaction tax. Ordinances to divest from fossil fuels and re-invest in renewable energy sources, community self help credit union to fund affordable green housing, and responsible Endowment Coalition.
- Would like more after-hours meetings to involve more people.

Jim Sells

- Introduced himself and expressed his interest in the committee

No action taken

## **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 PM