

SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan

*Dark Sky Policy Evaluation Process
Neighborhood & Livability Council Committee*

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Background

SA Tomorrow Adopted by City Council on August 11, 2016

A Sustainability Plan is a Roadmap:

- to enhance a community's **quality of life**
- build overall **resilience**
- balance impact of expected growth with **economic, environmental, and social resources**



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- Working with a broad stakeholder group, study and consider whether to update San Antonio's Dark Sky Ordinance.

The current ordinance only applies to areas around military bases. An update to this ordinance, if deemed necessary through a broad stakeholder process, could expand the reach and leverage newer technology to promote energy savings in addition to the other environmental and health benefits associated with dark skies.



Objectives

- Review current dark sky ordinance
- Evaluate current lighting initiatives and studies
- Evaluate national best practices
- Evaluate pros and cons of expanding the dark sky ordinance
- Discuss scenarios for expanding the dark sky ordinance

If determined to proceed by City Council,

- Determine resources needed to develop a citywide ordinance
- Develop process timeline

Broad Stakeholder Working Group



Government

Development Community

Business Sector

Subject Matter Experts

Environmental Sector

Neighborhoods

Proposed Timeline

November 2016 – February 2017: Staff Research

December 2016: Finalize Working Group List

January 2017: Working Group Meeting #1

February – March 2017: Targeted Stakeholder Outreach

April 2017: Working Group Meeting #2

May 2017: Working Group Meeting #3

June 2017: Working Group Meeting #4

August 2017: Staff Recommendations to Neighborhoods & Livability Committee

Thank you.

Questions?