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ORDINANCE

**ESTABLISHING THE SA CLIMATE READY TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE SA CLIMATE READY CLIMATE
EQUITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND SUNSETTING THE CITIZENS
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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WHEREAS, the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan was adopted by City Council on August 11, 2016 (Ordinance 2016-08-11-0590), seeking to incorporate the objectives of the Mission Verde Plan, while guiding the City toward smart, sustainable growth in preparation for the projected million person influx by 2040; and

WHEREAS, the need for a Climate Action Plan was identified in the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee (CEAC), was created by the City Council on April 2, 2009 (Ordinance No. 2009-04-09-0247, and revised May 14, 2009, by Ordinance No. 2009-05-14-0388), and has completed their responsibilities to oversee the advancement of the City of San Antonio under the Mission Verde Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution No. 2017-06-22-0031R in support of the Paris Climate Agreement on June 22, 2017, and directed staff to develop a plan that would help San Antonio meet the objectives of the Paris Climate Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2019, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2019-10-17-0840, the SA Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP); and

WHEREAS, the CAAP calls for San Antonio to be carbon neutral by 2050 and adapt to the rapidly accelerating impacts of climate change; and

WHEREAS, the CAAP recommends creation of additional committees, the SA Climate Ready Technical and Community Advisory Committee and the SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, these Committees will advise City staff and City Council on the advancement and implementation of the CAAP and other associated long-term sustainability plans, such as the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan, while serving as a forum for the community to offer input on climate action and sustainability;

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the SA Climate Ready Community and Technical Advisory Committee. The 21-member SA Climate Ready Community and Technical Advisory Committee is hereby established. The Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor and City Council, and consist of 16 at-large members and 6 organizational members recommended by organizations detailed below in Section 3.

SECTION 2. Mission of the SA Climate Ready Technical and Community Advisory Committee. The mission of the SA Climate Ready Technical and Community Advisory Committee includes advising City staff and City Council on the advancement of equity-centered implementation of the CAAP, and other associated long-term sustainability plans, such as the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan, while serving as a forum for the community to offer input on climate action and sustainability.

Responsibilities and Expectations of the Committee include:

- Participating in City of San Antonio Office of Equity facilitated training;
- Attending an annual joint CAAP advisory committee retreat;
- Providing expertise and input on annual priorities, in addition to recommendations on the equitable implementation of the CAAP;
- Providing input on updates to the greenhouse gas inventory, climate projections, and sector and strategy-level targets;
- Gathering and reviewing up-to-date scientific information on climate change, climate equity, and climate justice;
- Delivering an annual report to City Council regarding committee activities and the status of progress made on climate action and adaptation;
- Working collaboratively with other City Boards and Commissions on CAAP priorities and objectives;
- Promoting and engaging the community, in particular, marginalized communities and committee member networks, on CAAP priorities and objectives; and
- Providing a venue that the general public may use to provide input in CAAP planning and implementation.

SECTION 3. Composition of the SA Climate Ready Technical and Community Advisory Committee. The 21-Member Committee shall be comprised of 16 at-large members and 6 organizational members. The Mayor and City Council shall appoint members, recommended by the City Manager and the Office of Sustainability council appointees, who demonstrate the following desired technical expertise and perspectives:

- Energy Generation/Distribution
- High Performance/Green Buildings
- Vehicle Technology
- Active Transportation/Mobility/Accessibility

- Food Systems
- Urban Planning and Land Use
- Historic Preservation/Cultural Heritage
- Waste and Consumption
- Natural Systems: Water/Green Infrastructure/Forestry/Biodiversity
- Public Health
- Climate Science
- Educational Institutions
- Neighborhoods
- Business and Industry
- Social/Environmental/Climate/Racial Justice
- Environmental Advocacy

Organizational Members

- CPS Energy
- San Antonio Water System
- VIA Transit
- San Antonio River Authority
- JBSA
- Chair/Vice-Chair, SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee

SECTION 4. Establishment of the SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee.

The 11 member SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee is hereby established. The Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor and City Council, and consist of members as detailed below in Section 6.

SECTION 5. Mission of the SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee.

The mission of the SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee includes advising City staff and City Council on the advancement of equity-centered implementation of the SA Climate Ready Plan, and other associated long-term sustainability plans, such as the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan, while serving as a forum for the community to offer input on climate action and sustainability.

Responsibilities and Expectations of the Committee include:

- Participating in City of San Antonio Office of Equity facilitated training;
- Attending an annual joint CAAP advisory committee retreat;
- Providing input on the implementation of the CAAP to ensure an equity-centered approach;
- Bringing diverse stakeholder opinions to the table, with particular focus on marginalized communities to ensure those communities are included in planning and decision-making;
- Ensuring proposed climate equity considerations are part of all actions and priorities reviewed through the Technical and Community Advisory Committee;
- Identifying, tracking, and reporting climate equity metrics;

- Delivering an annual report to City Council regarding committee activities and the status of climate equity and the CAAP; and
- Promoting and engaging the general public and Committee Member networks on CAAP equity-related priorities and objectives.

SECTION 6. Composition of the SA Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee.

The 11-Member Committee shall include representatives from community-based organizations and other key stakeholders representing the interests of low-income populations, communities of color, and marginalized populations. The Mayor and City Council shall appoint members, recommended by the City Manager and the Office of Sustainability council appointees, who demonstrate the following desired technical expertise, identities, and perspectives:

- Social Justice, Environmental Justice, and Climate Justice
- Affordable Housing and Houselessness/Homelessness
- Public Health
- Food Security
- Disability and Mobility Justice
- Immigrant Rights
- Educational Attainment
- Small Business
- Workforce Development
- Chair/Vice-Chair, SA Climate Ready Technical and Community Advisory Committee

SECTION 7. Commitment to equity and diversity. As the SA Climate Ready Plan is centered in equity, membership in both committees shall represent those that live and work within the City of San Antonio, inclusive of indigenous persons, communities of color, low-income residents, LGTBQIA+ persons, persons of varying ages, persons with disabilities, and other marginalized communities, who hold diverse expertise and/or perspectives.

SECTION 8. Appointment Terms. For both Committees, members shall serve two-year terms, for a maximum of two consecutive terms, or a total of four years. Terms are coterminous with Council. No member may be appointed to the Committee should their service exceed four full years.

SECTION 9. Chair and Vice Chair of Committees. Both Committees elect a Chair and a Vice Chair, who serve one-year terms. The Chair and Vice Chair are not limited on number of terms served as Chair and Vice Chair; however, they must comply with the overall maximum terms for members of the Committee.

SECTION 10. Application of City Code provisions for Boards and Commissions. To the extent not in conflict with this Ordinance, the City's Rules for Boards and Commissions, codified in Article 2, Section IX of the City Code of the City of San Antonio shall apply.

SECTION 11. Subcommittees. Both Committees may form subcommittees for individuals representing certain technical disciplines or areas of special expertise, who can provide these

Committees with their technical and specific professional assistance. Two Committee members shall lead each subcommittee.

SECTION 12. Compensation. Members are not compensated for service on Committees or subcommittees.

SECTION 13. Sunset of the CEAC and repeal of associated Ordinances. The CEAC is hereby abolished, and Ordinance No. 2009-04-09-0247 and Ordinance No. 2009-05-14-0388 (establishing and revising the CEAC respectively), are hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. Effective Date. This ordinance is effective immediately after passage upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes, or, in the absence of eight affirmative votes, ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2019.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney