

2020 CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

COUNCIL COMMITTEE	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY
Atkins (C), Blewett (VC), Gates, McGough, Narvaez,	Narvaez (C), West (VC), Atkins, Blackmon, Gates
Resendez, West	
GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL	HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS
MANAGEMENT	West (C), Thomas (VC), Arnold, Blackmon, Kleinman,
Mendelsohn (C), Gates (VC), Bazaldua,	Mendelsohn, Resendez
McGough, Thomas	
PUBLIC SAFETY	QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE
Gates (C), Kleinman (VC), Arnold, Bazaldua,	Medrano (C), Atkins (VC), Arnold, Blewett, Narvaez
Blewett, McGough, Medrano, Mendelsohn,	
Thomas	
TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	WORKFORCE, EDUCATION, AND EQUITY
McGough (C), Medrano (VC), Atkins, Bazaldua,	Thomas (C), Resendez (VC), Blackmon, Kleinman,
Kleinman, Mendelsohn, West	Medrano
AD HOC JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE	AD HOC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS
McGough (C), Blewett, Mendelsohn, Narvaez, West	Johnson (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Atkins,
	Gates, McGough
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RECOVERY	
AND ASSISTANCE	
Thomas (C), Atkins, Blewett, Gates,	
Mendelsohn, Narvaez, Resendez	
(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair	

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Call to Order

MINUTES

A. <u>20-2154</u> Approval of the October 5, 2020 Environment and Sustainability Committee Minutes

Attachments: Minutes

BRIEFING ITEMS

B. <u>20-2155</u> White Rock Lake Dredging Feasibility Study [Patrick Miles, PE, Freese and Nichols Inc.]

Attachments: Presentation

C. <u>20-2156</u> Green Building Preview - Vickery Park Branch Library [Adriana Castaneda, Director, Bond Program Office]

Attachments: Presentation

D. <u>20-2157</u> Environment and Sustainability Task Force Update [Sandy Greyson, Chair, Environment and Sustainability Task Force]

BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

E. 20-2158 CECAP FY20-21 Implementation Workplan

Attachments: Memorandum

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

- 1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
- 2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
- 3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
- 4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
- 5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
- discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.087]
- deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]



Agenda Information Sheet

File #: 20-2154

Item #: A.

Approval of the October 5, 2020 Environment and Sustainability Committee Minutes

Environmental and Sustainability Committee Meeting Record

The Quality of Life, Arts & Culture Committee meetings are recorded. Agenda materials are available online at www.dallascityhall.com.

Meeting Date: October 5, 2020

Convened: 9:04 a.m.

Adjourned: 10:42 a.m.

Committee Members Present:

Omar Narvaez, Chair Tennell Atkins, Vice Chair Paula Blackmon David Blewett Jennifer S. Gates Committee Members Absent:

Other Council Members Present:

Presenters:

Saima Moolji, Executive Director, Dallas 2030 District Jacob Steiner, Managing Director, Smart Energy 360 Kevin Hurley, Stormwater Program Manager, Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability Sandy Greyson, Chair, Environment and Sustainability Task Force

AGENDA

Call to Order (9:10 a.m.)

A. Approval of the September 8, 2020 Environmental and Sustainability Committee Minutes Presenter(s): Omar Narvaez, Chair Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to approve the minutes for the September 8, 2020 Environmental and Sustainability Committee meeting.

CM Gates made a motion to reconsider the September 8, 2020 Minutes and amend Item F to reflect the unanimous approval of Rita Beving as Vice Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Task Force.

Motion made by: Jennifer S. Gates Item passed unanimously: X Item failed unanimously: Motion seconded by: Tennell Atkins Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

B. Dallas 2030 District – High-Performance Real Estate and Climate Change: How the Dallas 2030 District is Making an Impact

Presenter(s): Saima Moolji, Executive Director, Dallas 2030 District; Jacob Steiner, Managing Director, Smart Energy 360

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): The Committee discussed: How the four areas were chosen. A request for additional information on how the City of Dallas and Dallas 2030 District work together and towards CECAP goals. The future costs required to make energy efficient solutions. The effects of COVID-19 on regular meetings.

Motion made by: Item passed unanimously: Motion seconded by: Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

C. City of Dallas Stormwater Management Program Overview

Presenter(s): Kevin Hurley, Stormwater Program Manager, Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability **Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** The Committee discussed: Ways the City plan to ensure stormwater drains effectively. How to deal with a regional issue regarding stormwater that is not necessarily coming from City of Dallas residents. Partnerships with private developers to ensure stormwater is as clean as possible. Post construction inspections program.

Motion made by: Item passed unanimously: Item failed unanimously: Motion seconded by: Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

D. Environment and Sustainability Task Force Update

Presenter(s): Sandy Greyson, Chair, Environment and Sustainability Task Force **Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** The Committee discussed: The critical aspect of equity in every aspect of CECAP and the work of the task force.

Motion made by: Item passed unanimously: Item failed unanimously: Motion seconded by: Item passed on a divided vote: Item failed on a divided vote:

Adjourn (10:42 a.m.)

APPROVED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

Omar Narvaez, Chair Environment & Sustainability Committee Juan Garcia, Coordinator Environment & Sustainability Committee



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Item #: B.

White Rock Lake Dredging Feasibility Study [Patrick Miles, PE, Freese and Nichols Inc.]

White Rock Lake Dredging Feasibility Study

Environment & Sustainability Committee November 2, 2020

Patrick Miles, P.E. Freese and Nichols, Inc. on behalf of Dallas Park & Recreation and Dallas Water Utilities



City of Dallas

Background



- Dallas Park & Recreation Department partnering with Dallas Water Utilities on highlevel feasibility study including:
 - Approaches
 - Regulatory requirements
 - Costs
 - Potential funding sources
- Freese and Nichols and Brownstone Associates consulting



Project Timeline





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Public Involvement

- Public Survey (Google Form) live through January/February, approximately 70 responses
- Community Meeting #1 January 28th at Winfrey Point, approximately 90 attendees, interactive polling, varied feedback stations
- **Community Meeting #2** July 16th via Zoom (virtual meeting), approximately 100 attendees, interactive polling, online Q&A
- Online Survey (Google Form) live from 7/16 to 8/7, approximately 18 responses





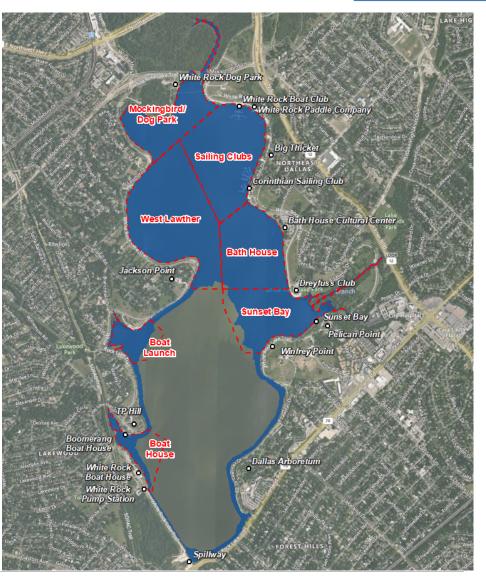
Goals & Objectives



- Restore lake depth to enhance watersport recreation.
- Remove sediment from shoreline area to improve aesthetics for waterside recreation.
- Minimize negative impacts to aquatic habitat and other environmentally sensitive areas.
- Evaluate long-term strategies for sustainable sediment control.

Dredging Focus Areas

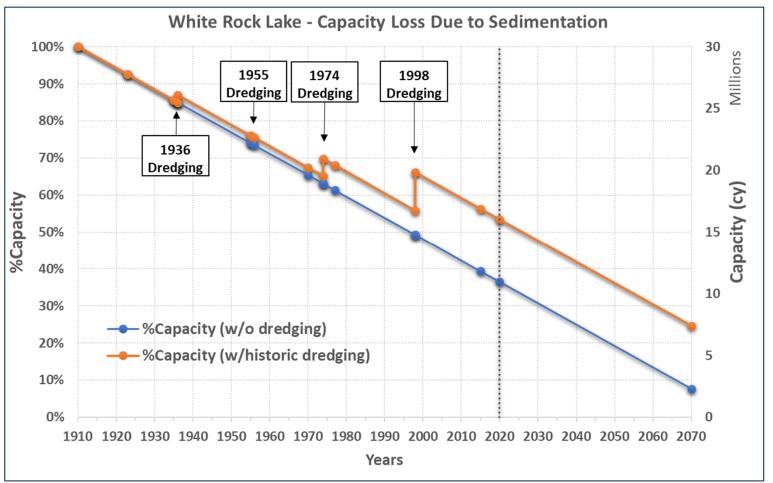
- Target Depth for recreation: 8 feet
- Areas with recreation focus
- Areas with depth < 10 feet
- Other areas identified by stakeholders



Sedimentation Rate Analysis



- Study Estimate
 170,000 CY/year
- Planning purposes
- Based on measured capacity of lake at various points in time
- Demonstrated with a constant loss rate



Sediment Sampling

- Trace concentrations of some COCs below allowable threshold
- Concentrations of COCs do not pose substantial risk to dredging contractors or lake environment
- Sediment appears to meet criteria for landfill disposal applications
- Additional analysis for reuse/land applications – part of future design





Permitting Considerations

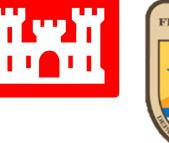
- Local: City of Dallas Floodplain, Construction
- State: TCEQ Water Quality Certification
- Federal: USACE Section 404 Permit
 - May require Environmental Assessment
- State: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department –
 Aquatic Resource Relocation
- State: Texas Historical Commission Cultural Resources
- Federal: US Fish and Wildlife Service Threatened or Endangered Species















Dredging Alternatives

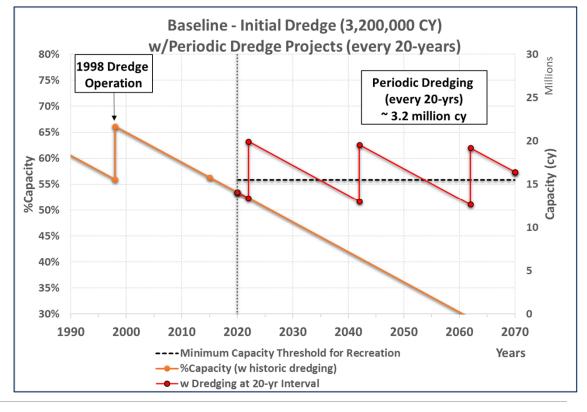


- Four potential alternatives developed to restore and maintain lake level in desired areas
- Additional data available for future City interpretation
- Costs presented as range (low and high) including contingency to cover unknowns



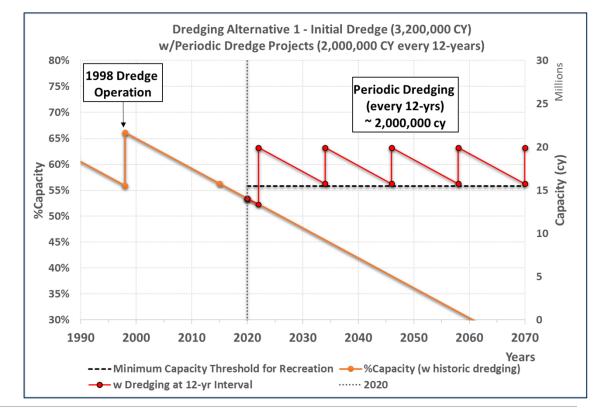
Baseline Scenario

- Aligns with historic dredging activities
- Large dredge every 20-25 years
- Recurrent periods with impacts to recreation
- \$50 \$88 million recurring (20-year cycle)
- \$3.0 \$5.3 million annualized over 50-yr period



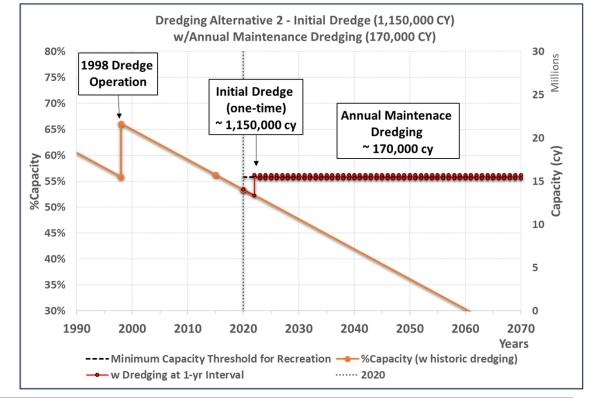


- Large initial dredge followed by more frequent (12-year) large dredge projects
- \$50 \$88 million upfront
- \$32 \$56 million recurring (12-year cycle)
- \$3.6 \$6.3 million annualized over 50-yr period



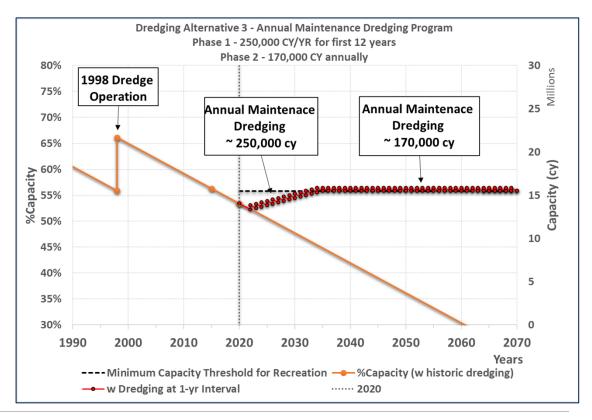


- Medium initial dredge followed by smaller annual maintenance
- \$19 \$34 million upfront
- \$4 \$6 million annually
- \$4.2 \$6.7 million annualized over 50-yr period



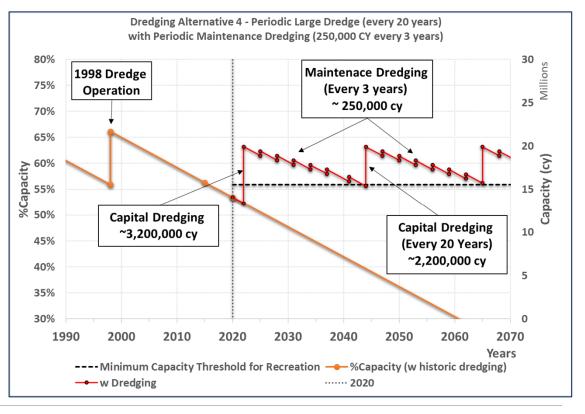


- Small annual dredging program for 12 years, followed by annual maintenance
- \$7 \$12 million first 12 years
- \$4 \$6 million annually
- \$4.5 \$7.4 million annualized over 50-yr period





- Large periodic dredging with interim routine dredging
- \$35 \$88 million upfront and every 20 years
- \$7 \$12 million recurring (3-year cycle)
- \$4.4 \$8.5 million annualized over 50-yr period





Alternatives Comparison



Dredging Scenario	Description	Recurring Impacts to Recreation Activities	Total Cost (Millions – 2020 \$)	Annualized Cost (Millions – 2020 \$)
Baseline (Historical)	Large Dredging Projects (20-25 yr cycle)	Yes	150 – 265	3.0 - 5.3
Alternative 1	Large Dredging Projects (12 yr cycle)	No	178 – 314	3.6 - 6.3
Alternative 2	One Large Dredging Project + Annual Maintenance Dredging	No	208 – 333	4.2 – 6.7
Alternative 3	Annual Maintenance Dredging Phase 1 – First 12 yrs Phase 2 – Year 13 onwards	Yes	226 – 370	4.5 – 7.4
Alternative 4	Large Dredging Projects (20-yr cycle) + Small Maintenance Dredging (3-yr cycle)	No	218 – 423	4.4 – 8.5

Funding Opportunities

- City funding likely to be through bonds
 - General Obligation (longer term)
 - Certificate of Obligation (shorter term)
- Limited to no grant/loan funding available for recreational dredging
- Potential alternative sources: Lake User Fees, Special Tax Districts



Typical Project Timeline



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Procure Funding (Timing TBD)					
Engineering Design					
Permitting (local, state, federal)					
Public Review & Comment					
Dredging Operations & Disposal					



Potential Obstacles



- Project Cost
- Dewatering/Disposal Location
- Environmental Permitting



Recommendations



- Continue coordination with stakeholders
- Identify dewatering/disposal, possible reuse opportunities
- Evaluate potential funding sources during budget planning
- Scale operation to available funding using base data developed for study





White Rock Lake Dredging Feasibility Study

Environment & Sustainability Committee November 2, 2020

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Item #: C.

Green Building Preview - Vickery Park Branch Library [Adriana Castaneda, Director, Bond Program Office]



City of Dallas

Green Building Preview Vickery Park Branch Library

Environmental and Sustainability Committee November 2, 2020

Adriana Castaneda, Director Office of Bond & Construction Management

> Jo Giudice, Director Dallas Libraries

Purpose



- To share a new construction City facility project with "Green Building" components.
- To align with goals and objectives of City's Comprehensive Environmental Climate Action Plan (CECAP).



Vickery Park Branch Library- Project



Vickery is the 30th location in the Dallas Public Library system; with this facility, the City will be completing the 2000 Master Plan for new locations. The library is being thoughtfully designed to meet the wants and needs of the neighbors, and to express the spirit of this diverse community.

- Scope of Work: This project is a new 18,000 sq. ft. library facility built to provide services to an underserved community. The facility includes a children's area, teen area, adult area, restrooms, auditorium to fit approximately 100 occupants, meeting spaces/pods, exterior green/lawn space, exterior security cameras, and an exterior playground.
- Funding Sources: 2017 Bond Program and Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc.
 - Bond Allocation (Proposition E): \$7.790 Million.
 - Bond Allocation (Proposition B): \$240,000.
 - The Crystal Charity Ball Grant: \$752,454.75.
 - The Estate of Freda Gail Stern, her family, and friends Grant: \$100,000.
 - The Men and Women of Hunt Consolidated, Inc.: \$27,500.
- Completion Date: November 2020
- Council District: 13



Vickery Park Branch Library- Project

- City of Dallas
 - Requires all new construction greater than 10,000 SF in size to meet LEED Silver level Certification (excluding renovations or expansions).

LEED Certification

- LEED certification is a point-based, third-party evaluation process intended to rate high performance "green buildings," there are four certification levels:
 - Certified
 - Silver
 - Gold
 - Platinum
- In the current LEED v4, the original five categories of credits have been expanded to
 - eight: Location & Transportation Environmental Air Quality
 - Sustainable Sites
 Water Efficiency
 - Materials & Resources
 Innovation
 - Energy & Atmosphere Regional Priority



Vickery Park Branch Library- Project



- 2030 Challenge
 - All new buildings, developments, and major renovations shall be carbon-neutral by 2030.
 - To achieve carbon neutrality requires the gradual annual reduction toward eventual elimination of fossil-fuel based sources of power generation, in favor of renewable sources of power generation such as wind, solar, and geo-thermal.
 - For VPBL to achieve the 2030 Challenge, construction projects completed in 2020 from the national baseline average energy use/SF for libraries, the facility must attain 80% carbon emission reduction.
 - VPBL's projected reduction is >83%.



Vickery Park Branch Library- Aerial NE





Vickery Park Branch Library



Continuous Insulation



Deep Overhangs for shading



Local Materials and Native Landscaping

LED lighting

Light shelf with clearstory for natural lighting and indirect daylighting

Raised Flooring (for efficient HVAC and flexibility) & Local materials





Roof Solar Panels



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Item #: D.

Environment and Sustainability Task Force Update [Sandy Greyson, Chair, Environment and Sustainability Task Force]



Agenda Information Sheet

File #: 20-2158

Item #: E.

CECAP FY20-21 Implementation Workplan



Comprehensive Environmental & Climate Action Plan Fiscal Year 2021 Implementation Work Plan

I. Introduction

This Implementation Work Plan (IWP) provides an overview of efforts planned under the Comprehensive Environmental & Climate Action Plan (CECAP), during the fiscal year 2020-21 (FY 21). With equity and inclusion as core values, the CECAP proposes solutions that will improve our natural environment, our educational and economic outcomes, the affordability of our housing stock, and our transportation systems The IWP outlines efforts that collectively maintain the City of Dallas as a leader in reducing emissions, and sets the path forward towards addressing climate and environmental risk with effective, equitable, and common-sense solutions.

II. Background

The CECAP was passed unanimously by Dallas City Council on May 27, 2020, and serves as a comprehensive roadmap to outline the specific activities that the City plans to undertake to improve quality of life for all residents, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to prepare for the impacts of climate change, and to create a healthier and more prosperous community. The Council has provided the staff direction to continue to develop and maintain programs that improve regional air quality, reduce carbon emissions and otherwise address climate change, as a common-sense approach that is good for our residents, our businesses and our planet.

III. Plan Goals and Targets

The goals and actions set forth in the CECAP are determined to build coalitions and strengthen communities and are determined to significantly reduce carbon emissions and improve the quality of life for residents. The plan proposes 97 actions across eight sectors. The suite of actions in the plan have been carefully selected to include mitigation, adaptation, and environmental quality activities, all under an equity lens, to start Dallas on a good path towards achieving carbon neutrality by 2050. Each action was evaluated for the potential to deliver a robust range of co-benefits, including social equity, economic, public health, mitigation, sustainability over time, environmental quality, and adaptation. The CECAP commits to reaching net zero carbon by 2050, with an interim goal of a 43 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 2015 levels by 2030. All goals and objectives determined to meet this end goal per the Paris Agreement have measurable targets as summarized by Table III.1 on the following page.



Goal	Target	2030 Metric	2050 Metric
Buildings(B#)	 Net Zero Energy New Construction Residential energy use reductions for existing buildings 	100%	Continue 100%
		10% reduction	25% reduction
Energy (E#)	 Solar Power Installed* 	739,000 KW	3,695,000 KW
	 Renewable Electricity Plans 	20% residents & businesses enrolled	50% residents & businesses enrolled
Transportation (T#)	Publicly Available EV Charging	1,500 outlets	3,000 outlets
	 # local Electric Vehicles Electric Fleets 	39,000 vehicles	70,000 vehicles
	 City Fleet 	All new fleet purchases	100% fleet
	 Dallas ISD/ DART bus fleet 	All new fleet purchases	100% fleet
	 Single Occupancy Vehicle Travel Mode Shift 	Reduce from 88% to 78%	Reduce from 78% to 62%
Waste Management	Organic Waste Diversion	35%	80%
(SW#)	Paper Waste Diversion	60%	90%
	Land-filled Waste Reduction	35%	45%
Water Resources (WR#)	Water Conservation	1 percent (per capita annually); 10% by year 2030	1 percent (per capita annually) 30% by year 2050
	Indirect Water Reuse	5%	10%
	Impaired Water Body reduction GHG Emissions from Treatment	30%	100%
	Facilities	45%	100%
Green Space/Urban	Increase Canopy Cover	33%	40%+
Environment (EG#)	Heat Island Reduction	20%	75%
	Park or Trail Access	80%	95%
Food & Urban Agriculture	Healthy Affordable Food Access	50%	75%
(FA#)	Increase Acres of Urban Gardens	20%	75%
	Local Food Sources, % Market Share	10% increase	50% increase
Air Quality (AQ#)	Ground Level Ozone Attainment	Meet NAAQS	Maintain NAAQS
	NAAQS ** attainment	Maintain attainment for all pollutants	Maintain attainment for all pollutants
*Value reflects corre	20. Summary of Targets, pp37 and 38 acted number from CECAP Document Ambient Air Quality Standards		

Per Section VII of this plan concerning Adaptive Management, the City will perform regular updates to the baseline 2015 Greenhouse gas inventory to assess progress towards achieving emissions reductions. It is anticipated that the annual reporting under this CECAP may include recommendations for additional actions and targets based upon a review of trends in the GHG Inventory.



IV. Year One Focus Area – Building Capacity

Consistent with the goals of the 2017 Paris Agreement, the City's adoption of the CECAP accomplishes two goals under that agreement: setting a 2050 carbon neutrality goal and having a plan towards that goal in place by 2020. The CECAP is also centered on educational programs and incentives to inspire action and allow time to expand institutional scope, develop and build public-private partnerships, and build and grow community support to create momentum while also laying the groundwork for other transformational actions. The initial year of CECAP will focus on building this capacity in the following areas:

- 1. **Education and Outreach** is one of the foundational steps in the CECAP's progressive implementation approach. Committing resources to educating the public on what is in the CECAP, why these actions are right for Dallas and how they can help the City accomplish the environmental goals is a low-cost high-impact way to build the momentum to get CECAP off to a great start.
- Expanding Partnerships the CECAP acknowledges that it will take all of us working together to reduce harmful emissions and protect our environment. In year one, we plan to actively engage business, community organizations, subject matter experts and other interested parties to leverage resources that advance CECAP actions.
- Amplify Ongoing Actions the CECAP builds on the success of the Cities' long history of environmental stewardship. Staff resources in this fiscal year will be dedicated to supporting and elevating the current actions. We also plan to apply the environmental lens to ongoing planning efforts to ensure alignment with CECAP goals.
- 4. **Explore Funding Opportunities -** CECAP implementation has been prioritized to allow a sustainable strategy utilizing existing budgets, and maximizing external grants, loans, and partnerships, to the degree practicable to minimize the need for additional general funds.
- Pilots and Proof of Concept Projects Another year one exercise will be to determine the feasibility and ideal application of actions in the plan. Many of CECAP's actions have been proven as national best practices and will be calibrated to our local application before being replicated on a larger scale.
- 6. **Tracking and Accountability** is critical in securing the public trust. During the first year of CECAP we will develop a transparent system to track and report the plan's progress. This infrastructure could include an online presentation, regular Council updates, clear milestones and annual reporting.

V. Stakeholder Engagement

The CECAP was developed based upon a robust community outreach and engagement effort that included both an Environmental Planning Task Force formed of internal City staff, and an external Stakeholder Advisory Group, formed of public agencies, education, business, public health and social and environmental advocacy groups. Building on these initial efforts, moving forward, three stakeholder groups are convened to advise the City on outreach, trajectory, and milestones for the plan. City staff are also working with other local cities through related efforts at the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG). Stakeholders continue to support implementation of the CECAP through the following groups:



- Environment and Sustainability Council Committee (ENVS) was established by Mayor Johnson as the first-ever environmental committee comprised of Dallas City Councilmembers, with the tasks of: (1) ensuring the Dallas is a global climate leader; and (2) creating and implementing the City's Comprehensive Environmental & Climate Action Plan.
- Environment and Sustainability Task Force (EAS-TF) resulted from City Council Resolution #20-688 adopting the CECAP, that includes a requirement for "the City Manager identify and convene an Environment and Sustainability Advisory Committee, under guidelines established by the City Manager, comprised of professionals and community members to advise on environment, sustainability, and CECAP implementation." This interim advisory taskforce is comprised of 15 community members.
- Leading Environmental Actions Forward (LEAF) the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability (OEQS) established an internal CECAP implementation coordination group with key departments, with roles in implementing various actions and goals within the CECAP. The group was formed to facilitate a collaborative implementation, and coordination with other related ancillary efforts. The LEAF members serve as subject matter experts to aid in the implementation of CECAP action items, facilitate communication between the OEQS-CECAP team and other city departments, and assist in collecting related performance measures from their respective areas of the plan.
- Regional Integration of Sustainability Efforts (RISE) Coalition is a collaboration of North Texas governmental and quasi-governmental organizations working together to reduce harmful emissions, share best practices, lessons learned and resources to support collaboration on regional sustainability and environmental initiatives.

VI. Actions and Activities

Under the identified year 1 focus area, the FY 21 IWP focusses primarily on building capacity and setting the groundwork that supports more widespread actions. Beginning on the following page, this section provides a brief overview of each of the eight goals of the plan, with 48 identified actions and 138 milestones to be implemented this year.



Goal 1: Dallas buildings are energy-efficient and climate resilient.

The combined building and energy sectors account for the highest percentage of GHG emissions in Dallas (64%). In FY 20-21, six actions from this sector will be initiated, with 16 identified milestones. These actions include expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. Interdepartmental collaboration will include Building Services, Aviation, Office of the Bond Program, Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization, and the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability.

Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
	1. Conduct energy benchmarking for City facilities
	2. Establish an inter-departmental energy committee
B1: Demonstrate leadership in developing a carbon	3. Initiate a citywide energy management system
neutrality plan for municipal operations.	4. Initiate energy audits to identify retrofit opportunities
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings, education	 Begin implementing no cost to low cost retrofits and efficiency improvements identified from energy audits
	6. Initiate renewable energy feasibility study to identify suitable locations for installing solar photovoltaic panels on City of Dallas facilities
B2: Achieve Level 3+ Airport Carbon Accreditation at Love	1. Maintain Level 2 accreditation
Field for carbon neutral operations, maintain accreditation for DFW and pursue for Dallas Executive Airport	2. Maintain Level 3 carbon accreditation at DFW
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings	
B5: Identify new financing mechanisms to accelerate energy efficiency improvements in existing buildings.	1. Expand participation in the City's existing PACE financing program
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings, education, inequality	
	1. Evaluate existing program for participation and effectiveness
B7: Increase participation and scope of the Dallas Green Business Certification Program	2. Partner with Chambers of Commerce to increase awareness and participation in the program
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings, education, resource consumption	
B11: Update the Building Code to require wiring conduits for solar photovoltaics and electric vehicle charging	 Develop a list of building codes related to solar photovoltaics and EV charging
infrastructure in new construction	 Initiate building code updates in upon completion of the NCTCOG 2021 Code Update process
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Adaptation	
B15: Evaluate potential city-owned properties for the	1. Develop a criteria rubric for resilience hubs
creation of "resilience hubs"	2. Identify potential resilience hubs
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Public health, cost savings, inequality	3. Evaluate viability of potential resilience hubs



Goal 2: Dallas generates and uses renewable, reliable, and affordable energy.

The combined building and energy sectors account for the highest percentage of GHG emissions in Dallas (64%). While the City has committed to using 100 percent renewable energy, there is a desire to convert from using renewable energy credits to local on- and off-site generation. In FY 20-21, six actions from this sector will be initiated, with 16 identified milestones. These actions include expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances and will involve interdepartmental collaboration of the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability, Building Services, Sanitation Services, Office of the Bond Program, and the Office of Government Affairs.

Table 2: FY 20-21	Goal 2 Actions and	Milestones
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Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
E3: Continue partnership with public utility companies on an intensive program on renewable energy options. Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Employment, cost savings, education	 Develop educational programs focused on commercial, industrial, and institutional sectors Partner with stakeholders (local utilities, PACE program, educational institutions, etc.), to participate in public information program Explore new financing opportunities such as grants and subsidies
E5: Build a regional strategic partnership to promote adoption of renewable energy. Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Employment, education	 Identify potential partners (counties, school districts, universities, etc.) Develop strategic partnerships to increase investment in renewable energy projects
E6: Establish and invest in renewable energy hubs through partnerships with the private sector. Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Employment, cost savings, adaptation	 Establish criteria rubric for renewable energy hubs Identify institutional and contractual requirements to form partnership for joint development of renewable projects Evaluate funding opportunities
E7: Extend city efforts to develop more renewable energy projects on city facilities. Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings, adaptation	 Initiate renewable energy feasibility study to identify suitable locations for installing solar photovoltaic panels on City of Dallas facilities Complete Community Solar Technical Assistance Grant Project from USDOE Grants to attain recommendations for City Community Solar Program to benefit Low-income residents. Initiate Community Solar Pilot Program Identify funding sources for design and installation of renewable energy projects for multiple city facilities.
E8: Continue to implement Green Energy Policy for city facilities. Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings	 Continue to implement Green Energy Policy Identify opportunities for partnerships that can facilitate implementation of renewable energy projects
E10: Advocate for renewable energy policies at the state and federal levels Primary benefit: Mitigation	 Advocate through U.S. Climate Mayors for policies that facilitate decarbonization of the power sector Work with Texas mayors to advocate the state legislature to increase the Texas Renewable Portfolio Standard to 90% zero-carbon electricity by 2050.



Goal 3: Dallas' communities have access to sustainable, affordable, transportation options.

The transportation sector forms the single largest contribution of GHG emissions in Dallas (34%), of which 98 percent is attributed to on-road transportation. The majority (78%) of Dallas residents drive to work alone, while another 23.2 percent carpool, telework (4.8%), and use transit (3.8%), and other modes of transportation. In FY 20-21, six actions from this sector, with 24 milestones, will be initiated. These actions include implementation of the Connect Dallas Mobility Plan, along with expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. This sector will involve Transportation, Equipment & Fleet Management, Office of the Bond Program, Economic Development, the Ad Hoc COVID Recovery Committee, Sustainable Development & Construction, Planning & Urban Design, as well as external partners such as DART and DISD.

Table 3: FY 20-21 Goal 3 Actions and Milestones

Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
T1: Work with City of Dallas, DISD, and DART to transition the bus	1. Determine locations for EV charging stations
and light duty fleet to 100% electric by 2040.	2. Conduct a fleet electrification study
Primary benefit: Mitigation	3. Explore funding opportunities for EV charging and fleet electrification
Co-benefits: Air quality, cost savings	4. Install public and semi-public EV charging infrastructure as feasible
T2: Work with private and public intrastate transport operators to	 Work with DART to incentivize and expand current offerings in the city for transit commuting services
expand transit services between major super commuting cities.	2. Continue to work on development of high-speed rail
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Air quality	3. Work with partners to identify businesses that heavily utilize short-haul air travel
	4. Work with transit commuting services to create awareness campaigns and benefits to shift away from short-haul air travel
T5: Support and expand recommended Travel Demand	1. Adopt Strategic Mobility Plan
Management strategies identified in the Strategic Mobility Plan. Primary benefit: Mitigation	 Work with business community to educate on benefits of travel demand, including, but not limited to, work at home, and shifting office schedules
Co-benefits: Air quality, public health, cost savings	
	1. Initiate comprehensive land use plan update, as feasible
	2. During development process, coordinate with DART's long-range transit plan and the TOD plan in T12
T11:Develop a new comprehensive land use strategy in the upcoming comprehensive plan update to pair with the SMP and CECAP goals, adopt policy to reduce transportation related GHG emissions.	 During development process, ensure alignment with the bus system, regional job growth, density and CECAP goals
	 During development process, ensure alignment with other relevant plans such as the Strategic Mobility Plan, Economic Development Plan, and Comprehensive Housing Policy
Co-benefits: Air quality, employment, public health, cost savings	 Evaluate need for a policy requiring conformity with land use strategy for staff approval
	 Evaluate need for a policy requiring non-conforming developers to demonstrate how they will mitigate negative impacts
T14: Adopt a revised parking ordinance strategy that supports new	1. Consider establishing parking maximums in areas with mature transit infrastructure
mode split goals and land use strategy that minimizes available parking in transit-oriented districts.	2. Consider establishing parking management districts as needed
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Air quality, cost savings	3. Pilot a parking district in a Dallas PID, as feasible
	1. Contract with ONCOR to perform lighting energy audits
T16: Convert all traffic lights and streetlights to LEDs.	2. Identify best available retrofit improvements
Primary benefit: Mitigation	 Update streetlight standards to require energy-efficient streetlights for new and replacement installations
Co-benefits: Cost savings	4. Initiate conversion of traffic lights to LEDs, where feasible
	5. Initiate conversion of streetlights to LEDs, where feasible



Goal 4: Dallas is a zero-waste community.

Because of good landfill management practices that entail aggressive gas collection and re-sale, the emissions from the waste sector in Dallas are very minimal. However, during the public engagement part of developing the CECAP, there was significant public interest in additional actions within this sector. In FY 20-21, five actions from this sector, with 10 milestones will be initiated. These actions include developing an update to the 2013 Local Solid Waste Management Plan (AKA Zero Waste Plan), along with expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. Implementation of these milestones will involve collaboration between the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability, Office of Procurement Services, and Sanitation Services.

Table 4: FY 20-21	Goal 4 Actions and Milest	tones

Action	FY 20-21 Milestones	
SW1: Actively promote source reduction, recycling, and composting to the Dallas community.	1. Expand current education efforts to inform residents and busin owners of their options to refuse, reduce, reuse, and recycle	iess
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Resource consumption, emissions reduction, employment		
SW2: Develop a comprehensive green procurement plan	1. Conduct goods and services purchasing study	
for city operations and establish a sustainable procurement policy.	2. Implement voluntary green procurement pilot	
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Resource consumption, resource conservation, emission reduction, employment, cost savings		
SW3: Improve solid waste, recycling, and brush/bulky	1. Evaluate benchmarks for service frequency	
waste collection efficiency.	2. Evaluate collection routes for efficiency	
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Cost savings, air quality		
SW5: Update and implement the Zero Waste Management	1. Update the Local Solid Waste Management Plan	
Plan.	2. Formally adopt Local Solid Waste Management Plan	
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Resource consumption, air quality	3. Monitor and evaluate waste to energy alternatives for feasibility	ty
SW8: Continue to capture gas and expand capacity from	1. Annually evaluate need for gas collection system expansion	
landfill for reuse and evaluate for city operations.	2. Expand program as needed to increase methane recovery	
Primary benefit: Mitigation Co-benefits: Resource consumption, air quality, cost savings		



Goal 5: Dallas protects its water resources and its communities from flooding and drought.

The water and wastewater sectors together comprise less than 1 percent of the Dallas' GHG emissions; however, climatic variation from flooding to drought forms the largest single risk posed by climate change. Dallas Water Utilities has proactively planned for future conditions as a part of standard operations for years. This plan builds upon these ongoing robust plans and related actions. In FY 20-21, 11 actions from this sector, with 27 milestones will be initiated. These actions include expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. Implementation of Goal 5 milestones will fall primarily on Dallas Water Utilities and the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability but will also include Sustainable Development & Construction as well as Planning and Urban Design.

Action	FY 20	0-21 Milestones
	1.	Continue to offer rebate and incentive-based programs to promote water conservation in an effort to resourcefully manage the City's annual GPCD
WR1: Continue investment in public awareness campaigns	2.	Continue to offer education and outreach opportunities to promote water conservation in an effort to resourcefully manage the City's GPCD
to increase knowledge of the value of water and importance of conservation.	3.	Continue the 'Save Water. Nothing Can Replace It.' local public awareness campaign, promoting local conservation programs and educational opportunities for DWU customers
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Stewardship, resource conservation, education	4.	Continue activities and efforts related to the "Defend Your Drains" public awareness campaign
	5.	Continue the North Texas Regional unified public awareness campaign
	6.	Continue water conservation outreach efforts to support wholesale customer cities
WR2: Continue investment in leak detection and expand	1.	Continue existing leak detection programs
programs to reduce overall water loss through the	2.	Expand leak detection programs, as feasible
conveyance systems.	3.	Continue requesting and tracking TWDB Annual Water Conservation Reports for wholesale customer cities, which include 5- and 10-year
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Stewardship, education		water loss targets
WR4: Encourage businesses and residents to plant drought-tolerant and native vegetation or xeriscape to	1.	Continue to offer free automatic irrigation system evaluations and promote best management practices on outdoor watering
reduce irrigation water use.	2.	Develop additional resources to promote reducing outdoor water use
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Stewardship, resource consumption, emissions reduction, cost savings	3.	Continue ongoing education and outreach programs to promote best management practices that recognize landscape design that reduces water consumption
WR5: Continue to monitor and protect water quality and	1.	Continue to collaborate with other agencies within the Trinity Watershed
implement improvement projects in the watershed.	2.	Update current Stormwater Quality Monitoring Program to include other surface water bodies and expand upon parameters monitored
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Water quality, public health	3.	Explore feasibility of a Watershed Protection Plan for White Rock Creek to protect public health
WR6: Continue to protect and monitor water quality by tracking emerging contaminants that may impact public health.	1.	Enhance monitoring plan for emerging contaminants, (i.e., PFAS) as needed
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Public health		



Table 5: FY 20-21 Goal 5 Actions and Milestones (Continued)

1. Evaluate feasibility for undertaking additional initiatives to qualify for
 Class 4 rating Use rating system to educate flood-prone communities
 Fund and implement highlighted stormwater capital improvement objectives for FY 20-21 from SDM Budget Continue construction of Mill Creek Drainage Relief Tunnel scheduled for completion in 2023 Implement Dallas Floodway/Dallas Floodway Extension
 Initiate comprehensive storm drainage assessment activities that will identify resources and organizational needs, assess infrastructure condition, identify critical projects, and evaluate stormwater utility funding needs
 Continue to monitor and evaluate effectiveness of the Drought Contingency Plan Update Drought Contingency Plan as necessary
 Evaluate recommended risk management strategies developed as part of a completed Risk and Resilience Assessment for DWU's critical water facilities to plan and prioritize future mitigation measures Evaluate potential to install secondary power sources for critical infrastructure
 Award construction contracts that will result in the replacement and rehabilitation of approximately 32 miles of wastewater pipelines, including relocation and private development projects



Goal 6: Dallas protects and enhances its ecosystems, trees, and greenspaces that in turn improve public health.

In Dallas, there are 388 parks totaling over 27,000 acres, plus the approximate 6,000-acre Great Trinity Forest. However, these green spaces are not evenly distributed, and only about 60 percent of Dallas residents have access to a park within ½ mile walk of their home. Additionally, the City of Dallas is second only to Phoenix, Arizona relative to the size of the urban heat island. In FY 20-21, five actions from this sector, with 17 milestones will be initiated. These actions include implementing an Urban Forest Master Plan, along with expansion of existing programs and efforts, as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. Goal 6 actions and milestones will involve collaboration between Dallas Water Utilities, Sustainable Development & Construction, Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability, Parks & Recreation, Planning & Urban Design, and Public Works.

Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
EG2: Assess opportunities for blue-green infrastructure in the public realm to reduce flood risk. Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Emissions reduction, air quality, water quality, public health, resource conservation	1. Initiate comprehensive storm drainage system assessment activities to identify areas prone to current and future flood risk
	 Complete engineering efforts for a pilot project at 8470-8506 Brittania Way for the construction of alternative "green" erosion control measures
EG3: Increase tree canopy in both private and public realm to complete implementation of recommendations from the Urban Forest Master Plan.	1. Adopt Urban Forest Master Plan
	2. Begin implementation of actions in the Dallas Urban Forest Master Plan
	3. Establish protocols for assessing canopy loss
	4. Establish protocols for managing debris
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Emissions reduction, air quality, water quality, public health	 Initiate program development protocols for replanting and monitoring, including after storms and droughts that result in loss
EG4: Continue ongoing programs to collaborate with community organizations to promote tree planting efforts, protection of trees and prairies, and drought tolerant landscapes.	 Work with community-based organizations on land stewardship programs that educate residents and businesses and that plant and maintain trees in areas subject to heat island impacts
	 Initiate ongoing effort to develop educational resources on best practices for maintaining mature trees
	3. Increase community outreach on tree knowledge and forest education
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Emissions reduction, air quality, water quality, public health, employment	4. Support partnerships and initiatives that protect and expand Blackland Prairies, as feasible
	5. Continue Branch Out Dallas, Branching Out Dallas, and Reforestation Program
EG5: Update city park operations and maintenance procedures to include comprehensive ecofriendly and sustainable best management practices.	1. Update park operations and maintenance procedures to include ecofriendly and sustainable practices
	2. Train City parks maintenances staff on the updated sustainable practices
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Education, air quality	
EG9: Support public and private partnerships using nature- based solutions to address public health challenges.	1. Provide technical assistance with grant writing
	2. Provide informational resources on funding opportunities and financing options to nonprofits
Primary benefit: Environmental justice Co-benefits: Education, public health, employment	 Work with the Nature Conservancy, Re-tree, and Texas Trees on Breathe Easy Dallas, post-tornado reclamation and Cool-Schools Programs



Goal 7: All Dallas' communities have access to healthy, local food.

Access to healthy food for vulnerable communities in southern and western Dallas is a significant challenge. It has been documented that over 36 percent of Dallas' residents live in census tracts that meet the USDA definition for food deserts. Additionally, the food supply chain is heavily dependent upon food suppliers outside of Texas and the United States. Rising temperatures, changing precipitation patterns and more frequent droughts may result in losses to crops and livestock, and could lead to supply chain issues and increased food insecurity. This is also an area with significant community concern. In FY 20-21, five actions from this sector, with 18 milestones will be initiated. These actions include developing an Urban Agriculture Plan to guide efforts forward as well as updates to existing codes and ordinances. Departments involved in Goal 7 activities include Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability, Office of Innovation, Economic Development, Office of Procurement Services, and Convention & Event Services.

Table 7: FY 20-21 Goal 7	Actions and Milestones
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Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
FA1: Increase access to information on sustainable agriculture, best practices, and the benefits of healthy and local foods.	 Work in partnership with organizations to provide free education on the components of urban agriculture.
	2. Connect UA stakeholders to technical assistance.
Primary benefit: Adaptation Co-benefits: Public health, cost savings, education	3. Work with DISD to increase climate friendly food options in schools.
FA2: Create a Food Advisory Council.	1. Establish scope, roles, and responsibilities of the Food Advisory Council
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Stewardship, education, resource consumption, emissions reduction, adaptation	2. Identify potential members including farmers, advocates, nonprofits, restaurants, chefs, public health experts, and community members
	3. Establish the Food Advisory Council
	1. Initiate development of a Dallas Comprehensive Food and Urban Agriculture Plan
FA3: Develop a Dallas Comprehensive Food and Urban Agriculture Plan.	2. As part of the Urban Agriculture Plan, perform a comprehensive review of policy and regulatory barriers to growing local food for personal consumption or economic development
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Water quality, employment, education, public health, resource consumption	 As part of the Urban Agriculture Plan, develop a plan to remove aforementioned barriers
	 As part of the Urban Agriculture Plan, evaluate demographic and community-specific needs
	 As part of the Urban Agriculture Plan, identify incentives to support agriculture that provides carbon sequestration benefits
FA9: Establish a local food procurement plan to encourage local food purchasing at city-sponsored events.	1. Build on local preference procurement policy to address food
	 procurement that emphasizes healthy, local food Define geographic and nutritional standards for all City-sponsored events
Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Employment, public health, adaptation	 Initiate development of and pilot local food procurement procedures to support policy development
FA14: Adopt a special events ordinance that encourages procurement of locally sourced food, recycling of waste generated, and compost bins at special events. Primary benefit: Environmental quality Co-benefits: Education, public health, stewardship	 Initiate draft ordinance for special events that requires multiple waste management options
	2. Research best practices and legal requirements for a related ordinance
	 Initiate draft ordinance for special events that requires multiple waste management options
	 Develop a program to help event organizers donate surplus food, compost, and recycle organics



Goal 8: All Dallas' communities breathe clean air.

While air quality in Dallas is generally improving, in north Texas, 10 counties including Dallas, do not consistently meet the 2008 Federal Air quality criteria for ground level ozone; nine counties consistently do not meet the 2015 federal ozone standard. This is also an area with significant community concern. In FY 20-21, we will be working on 10 milestones under the four actions from this sector. These actions include implementing both regulatory and non-regulatory monitors, along with expansion of existing programs and efforts. Departments working towards these efforts include the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability, Transportation, Planning & Urban Design, and Sustainable Development & Construction.

Action	FY 20-21 Milestones
AQ1: Work with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to install additional air quality monitoring stations across the city.	1. Work with TCEQ to identify location for installation of a new monitoring station
	 Install new monitoring station at Dallas Pilgrim Drive as approved by TCEQ in FY 19-20
Primary benefit: Environmental justice Co-benefits: Air quality, public health	3. Continue to make data available to the public
AQ2: Partner with nonprofits and schools to develop and implement non-regulatory monitors in neighborhoods.	 Work with The Nature Conservancy and Texas Trees Foundation to site and install non-regulatory monitors in neighborhoods based upon public health and other data
Primary benefit: Environmental justice Co-benefits: Air quality, public health	2. Select locations in coordination with stakeholders
	3. Use resulting neighborhood level data to track progress for air quality improvement
AQ3: Continue to support and expand on the Air North	1. Continue to support Air North Texas Campaign
Texas campaign to raise public awareness and improve air quality.	2. Expand on Air North Texas Campaign
	3. Tailor communication to suit needs of each community
Primary benefit: Environmental justice Co-benefits: Air quality, public health, education	
AQ4: Ensure new industries are an appropriate distance away from neighborhoods.	 Develop a map of all environmentally impacted parcels by performing analysis of residential and industrial properties, highlighting RECAP areas or Racially and Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty
Primary benefit: Environmental justice Co-benefits: Air quality, public health	



VII. Adaptive Management

The CECAP commits to regular review of performance towards meeting the emissions reduction goals set forth in the 2017 Paris Agreement, per the U.S. Climate Mayors commitment. This review is based upon performing regular updates of the greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory and assessment of data trends towards reductions in emissions. The CECAP includes a minimum three-year GHG inventory interval.

The CECAP was based upon the most GHG inventory available to the department. This baseline inventory was completed using the International Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI) methodology in 2019, using data for the 2015 calendar year.

While sufficient for initial planning, the OEQS climate staff will begin updating this inventory this year to reflect data from 2019, to allow an assessment of where the City currently stands relative to GHG emissions, and to guide future planning, identify any necessary CECAP plan updates and help guide the overall focus for implementation.

Because of the government shutdown, and other related anomalous data excursions during 2020, the data from 2019 will be used to support this effort, and the ICLEI methodology, using the Clearpath tool will be used to support this inventory (consistent with the 2015 effort).

Depending on trend analyses, additional actions may be recommended for implementation to improve performance towards meeting the goals of the 2017 Paris Agreement.

VIII. Workplan Schedule

Upon finalization of actions and milestones for FY 20-21, a projected working schedule will be developed through collaboration with our participating partner departments. This Implementation Work Plan reflects departmental programs and priorities within the FY 20-21 budget and aligns with current staffing levels. Departments will report on milestones on a quarterly basis and include future projections as feasible.