

## Denver 2020 Climate Action Task Force Agenda

**When:** April 9<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 to 11:00

**Where:** Zoom

**Meeting Objective:** Determine what is most important for receiving public feedback and get outcomes and solutions ready for public viewing and feedback.

Time	Agenda
8:00	<b>Welcome and Purpose</b> (20 m) <i>Purpose: Open meeting with clear direction and good news.</i>
8:20	<b>Public Feedback Through Consider.it</b> (10 m) <i>Purpose: Shared understanding of the consider.it public engagement process</i>
8:30	<b>Preparing Long-term Outcomes for Public Feedback</b> (25 m) <i>Purpose: Get remaining long-term outcomes (adaptation and resiliency, sustainability, and equity) ready for public viewing and feedback</i>
8:55	<b>Feedback Overview</b> (25 m) (Marisol) <i>Purpose: Understand feedback as it relates to solutions.</i>
9:20	<b>Final Solutions Organization</b> (55 m) (Marisol) <i>Purpose: Organize brainstormed solutions to get ready for public feedback. Phase 1: 2025 (40%). Phase 2: 2030 (60%). Phase 3: 2040 (100%)</i>
10:15	<b>Preparing Solution Sets for Public Feedback</b> (35 mins) (Jacob) <i>Purpose: Share solution sets and ensure “red flags” are addressed for public viewing and feedback.</i>
10:50	<b>Closing</b> (10 m) <i>Purpose: Close meeting and set up success for path forward.</i>
11:00	<b>Adjourn</b>

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## Meeting 8 Summary 04-09-2020

### Key Discussion Points

- **Public Forum Preparation:** Meagan Piccard from the Civic Consulting Collaborative gave an overview of the consider.it site, which will serve as the platform for city-wide engagement. The site will be available for comment April 20<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup>. Task Force members asked questions about how comments will be monitored to ensure community members are not personally attacked for comments. The Civic Consulting Collaborative team will each have assigned days to manage the site and its comments. Task Force members are being asked to go to the site frequently to add comments and suggestions to keep the site active and feedback helpful for Task Force use.
- **Long-Term Outcomes:** The facilitators went through Task Force feedback to the long-term outcomes that was submitted prior to the meeting. Outcomes that had multiple suggestions for improvement or listed concerns were discussed and new language was agreed upon. Consensus was reached on approving all long-term outcomes.
- **Final Solution Sets:** Task Force members broke back into the Solution Workgroups to incorporate feedback from Meetings In a Box Round 2 and the Stakeholder Advisory Groups (both summaries were sent to the Task Force prior to the meeting). Task Force members were asked to consider: 1) If they missed any potential solutions? 2) If any of the phases should be moved up or back based on the public's priorities? and 3) Are there impact, equity, or sustainable economy labels that need to be added/changed? Once they completed this exercise, the Workgroups then identified questions they want the public to weigh in on via the consider.it site. Each group reported out what their Solution Workgroup discussed and specific questions were captured for inclusion in the site.

### Long Term Outcomes Agreed Upon for Public Feedback

#### Adaptation and Resiliency

##### **Buildings & Infrastructure**

- a. By 2025 building codes are more stringent to address key vulnerabilities (indoor air quality, heat).
- b. By 2030 all buildings meet indoor air quality standards and have sufficient cooling, including schools.
- c. By 2030 the infrastructure (i.e., improved structure of people's homes, heating and cooling community centers for vulnerable populations) is in place and used to protect vulnerable populations against high heat events, poor air quality related to wildfires, weather events, and other emergencies.
- d. By 2025 develop and codify standards for water and green infrastructure to be adaptable to highest resiliency standards (flooding, storm water)
- e. By 2030 transportation system fully multi-modal, physically accessible, affordable, adaptable to changing climate and emergencies.

##### **Emergency Preparedness and Response**

- a. By 2025 Denver's emergency response plan is updated to address issues of equity and emerging climate change related disasters that could impact the city.
- b. By 2030 the public health infrastructure has the capacity to address key impacts that are exacerbated by climate change (Note, key impact areas may include: air quality, mental health, emergency services, epidemics, vector born diseases, power outages due to severe weather, hail damage, heat, and flooding)
- c. By 2030 communities most vulnerable to the key impacts exacerbated by climate change are protected and resilient.

### **Resilient Economy**

- a. By 2030 Denver will have a thriving and resilient economy with the creation of new businesses that are geared toward addressing emissions and adapting to climate change and that also have at least 50% local workforce development and transition training and are 30% minority or women owned.

### Equity

#### **Workforce**

- a. By 2025 30% of the climate action workforce engaged in mitigation, development, adaptation, and resiliency projects are drawn from minority and vulnerable communities and neighborhoods.
- b. By 2025 training centers are accessible and recruiting from the most impacted communities to support work force transitions and development, based on a community-engaged assessment of needs.
- c. By 2025 date, x% of public climate action construction and infrastructure project hours are performed by apprentices, focusing first on Department of Labor registered apprenticeships for most impacted communities.

#### **Engagement**

- a. By 2025, all climate action related stakeholder groups and community engagement efforts are inclusive of the most impacted communities and effective in creating equitable outcomes.

#### **Affordability**

- a. By the end of 2020, there will be a proposal for how to ensure climate action policies and programs support Denver in being an affordable place to live, work, and play.
- b. From the design stage through implementation, all climate action policies and programs prioritize affordability and equitable outcomes, especially for the communities most impacted by climate change. By
- c. 2023, sufficient funding is in place to ensure the most impacted communities are supported in implementing identified climate actions so that these communities can continue to afford to live in Denver and address climate change.

### Sustainability is a Norm

#### **Sustainable economy**

- a. By 2030 Denver is the nationally recognized hub for sustainable economic development and innovation.

#### **Sustainability Goals and Actions**

- a. By 2022, all Denver city departments have sustainability goals and actions to ensure sustainability is a norm for the city, including sustainable buying practices.
- b. By 2025, 100% Denver neighborhoods and schools set sustainability goals and actions to ensure sustainability is a norm for Denver residents, including students.
- c. By 2025, 100% of businesses based in Denver set sustainability goals and actions to ensure sustainability is a norm for Denver's businesses.

### Food Systems

- a. By 2030, Denver is a regional leader in sustainable, equitable, and resilient local food production and use innovation.

The following Outcome categories were not discussed, as additional insights from Denver Solid Waste and Denver Water are needed, respectively. Comment summaries from Task Force members are included in italics below.

### Waste and Consumption

- a. By 2025 40% of Denver's waste is diverted. (*Comment: Is this aggressive enough?*)
- b. By 2030 Denver Metro area is a regional hub for end market businesses. (*Comment: What are end markets?*)
- c. By 2040 or sooner Denver achieves city-wide zero waste targets of 85% or more of waste diverted. (*Comment: Is this aggressive enough?*)

### Water Use

- a. By 2030, Denver's outdoor water use is on average 12 gallons per square foot. (*Comment: Let us make this more comprehensive than just outdoor water use. Is this realistic?*)

### Next Steps

- **Public Forum:** As mentioned previously, the consider.it site will go live on April 20<sup>th</sup> and run for 10 days. Solution Workgroups were asked to submit their questions to Marisol for inclusion in the site.
- **Next Meeting:** The city gave an overview on the revenue subcommittee and how they have been unable to meet as the city has not been able to focus on giving necessary guidance on revenue projections due to the current health crisis. Thus, the Task Force will shift focus in the coming meetings to address revenue options in light of the current crisis and economic downturn that will likely take place. The next meeting will specifically focus on the potential opportunities of incoming stimulus for climate action.
- **Meeting Plan:** The following meeting plan was presented to the Task Force for feedback. This adds an additional meeting, which is now needed due to COVID-19 and the shift to online meetings which take more time than originally envisioned.
  - **Meeting 9.** (April 23rd) – Re-envision revenue options, criteria and context
  - **Meeting 10.** (May 7<sup>th</sup>) – Prioritize and Refine revenue options with criteria.
  - **Meeting 11.** (May 14<sup>th</sup>) - Develop revenue package options
  - **Meeting 12.** (May 21<sup>st</sup>) – Review public feedback and gap analysis; discuss final package modifications
  - **Meeting 13.** (May 28<sup>th</sup>) – Develop final package