



Waste & Consumption TWG Meeting #2 Summary

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Online Meeting

Facilitators: Danielle Vitoff (Navigant)

Recap: the Vision and Priorities

- Introduction to Danielle Vitoff, Navigant's Project Manager for the CAAP
- Review of synthesized vision from Steering Committee and Technical Working Groups:
 - Innovative and forward-looking
 - San Antonio specific (focus on equity)
 - Broad community engagement and buy-in
 - A community where all residents are Climate Ready
- Review of Waste & Consumption TWG's Vision
 - Create a local business sector around recycling (diversion and job creation)
 - Make all waste valuable (ex: AC condensate for irrigation)
 - Create a materials exchange or reuse programs
 - Localize glass recycling
 - Address food waste (excess given to shelters or composting)
- Review of Waste & Consumption TWG's Priorities
 - Identify successful models and understand how to implement at larger scales, like the food bank
 - Landfill what needs to be landfilled, but focus on diversion of items that can be diverted
- Comments
 - Should identify who is consuming and wasting because often times it is those who have the most resources; clarify the areas of town where most consumption occurs.
- Focus on an audacious goal; a lot of work to be done for the CAAP in a short period of time

Administration: Process, Timeline, and Expectations

- Reviewed timeline through February 2019
- 2-month looping process between online and in-person meetings
- Overview of April Community Engagement Activities
 - CAAP team met with and presented to numerous organizations and had a presence at many public
- Homework will be assigned at each meeting so that pertinent input can be gathered, recorded, and made available to the planning process. The homework assigned today will be used for the in-person meeting.
- Reviewed Steering Committee Chair and Technical Working Group Liaisons:
 - Anita Ledbetter, Steering Committee Chair
 - Dr. Olufemi Osidele, Energy & Buildings TWG Liaison
 - Jeffrey Arndt, Transportation & Land Use TWG Liaison
 - Sara Beesley, Water & Natural Resources TWG Liaison
 - Jessica Guerrero, Climate Equity TWG Liaison
 - Dr. Carlos A. Garcia, Waste & Consumption TWG Liaison

2016 GHG Inventory Update

- Reviewed key differences between 2014 and 2016 protocol requirements.

Homework, Takeaways, and Next Steps

- Homework for next meeting due on Wednesday, May 16th:
 - Brainstorm a list of waste and consumption related measures for consideration within San Antonio's Climate Action Plan.
 - Climate Projections: Provide feedback on San Antonio's Business As Usual assumptions.
 - Community Engagement: Provide feedback on potential events or collaboration opportunities for engagement.
- Feedback to be sent to lisa.lin@sanantonio.gov or danielle.vitoff@navigant.com
- Next meeting is on Wednesday, May 23rd from 9:00-11:00am at 1400 S. Flores, Main Conference Room.

Additional Comments/Q&A

- The least culpable and most vulnerable populations should be prioritized.
- Need good metrics. Look at outreach campaigns around food waste and over consumption.
- Should reconsider the global warming potential of methane
- EcoExchangeEdu has higher education representation from UTSA, Trinity, UIW, St. Mary's, Alamo College, Our Lady of the Lake and focuses on climate change. Good community engagement opportunity.
- Climate Action SA is a coalition of 40 community organizations advocating for this plan.
- Regarding the BAU scenario, it is recommended to look at energy use per person since energy devices will increase per capita. More technology will be used.
 - Response: The idea of energy use per person is a holistic one (not just devices but also energy use in their homes and offices); we are seeing increases in plug-loads, but also, buildings and vehicles are getting more efficient, so per capita emissions are actually either plateauing or going downwards.
- Regarding growth rates and trends in the BAU scenario, we need to get trend information for San Antonio (look at the last 10-15 years).
 - Response: We will look at best practices in other cities, states, companies, and other trends to build out the BAU scenario.
- Q: Is there an expectation to connect proposed measures to the outlined goals?/A: Brainstorm everything now and at the in-person meeting, we will link strategies to goals.

