

**Climate Action Plan – Stakeholder Meeting
March 27, 2017**

Meeting Notes

Participant List – see last page

Presentation – see attached PDF

Presentation Q&A

Q: Predictable time-line to put a plan together?

A: A year minimum (for COF), quicker may result in implementation challenges

Q: How many plans are legally binding, and if so, can that be reversed?

A: Not sure about how many are legally binding, but any policy can be reversed

** Council has said that they want not only a plan, but to have put that in action in this year and the next**

Survey Results (see presentation PDF/summary)

Discussion: What makes Flagstaff unique?

- Environment
 - Better starting place with air and open space
 - City surrounded by a drying forest
 - Water challenge
 - City surrounded by open land, making partnering difficult (no immediate nearby cities/towns)
 - Incredible diversity of natural resources – citizens empowered to own them
- Community
 - Strong scientific community
 - Strong environmental awareness
 - Public lands/jurisdictions/tribal affiliations
 - Significant involvement and contribution by tribal lands
- Population and Growth
 - Significant and unpredictable growth
 - High cost of living and housing, this is a challenge and an opportunity
 - High rate of commuting into town from unincorporated areas
 - High rate of second-home owners
 - Seasonal impacts/influx of students
- Other
 - Renewed taxation on buses and lower emissions
 - Amount of money used to pump water

Discussion: Desired Strategies and Outcomes

- Strategy
 - Increase participation in mass transit and have more bus lines

- Public bike system connected to bus lines
 - Electric car charging stations
 - Car share programs – include NAU and zip-car
 - Prioritizing transportation modes through policy
 - Establish benchmarks and communicate them effectively
 - Matrix framework for decision-making
 - Coordination and education efforts – reduce redundancy
 - Energy scores for building and houses
 - Community events that solicit participation and suggestions in and from underserved areas
 - More incentives for low-income participation
 - Conveying “now is the time”
 - Conversation on the climate impacts of different types of growth
 - Consider attainment issues for air quality
 - Identify full cost impacts of implementation
 - Create partnerships to help low-income energy efficiency (as they use the most energy, generally)
- Outcome
 - Designated budget for carbon neutrality
 - Organizational structure of sustainability Section is elevated
 - Actionable items
 - Outcomes that show the benefits of dealing with climate change (positive gains)
 - Taxing large energy and water consumers and put that money back into the community (incentives)
 - Workforce development
 - Building code brought to forefront
 - What is the return on investment – show this
 - Identify state legislation agenda items that are tied to climate action plans
 - Alignment to over-arching plans

Timeline

- Budget items need to be ready in December
- Phased approach to completion with actionable items along the way

Who's missing (general participation)?

- Low income representation
- Chamber of commerce and office of tourism
- Communities of faith
- FUSD/schools
- NAU professors
 - Buck Sanford

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