

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 05:57 PM

Meeting Information: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/tes/ecocity/info/default.aspx?id=118548#MEETING2>

From Ellen Eggerton to All Panelists: 06:11 PM

Jessica can you share the meeting time survey results slide?

From arthur impastato to All Panelists: 06:13 PM

Please consider allowing virtual attendance at your meetings. With the Delta variant and other mutations circulating, I suspect many people will continue to be wary of going to inside meetings. Further, people with disabilities, the elderly and those that are busy working will not be able to participate in meetings. To be clear, I am talking about participants and not Task Force members so the legal analysis may be quite different.

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 06:14 PM

Just want to share that I'm very unlikely to participate in person for any meeting in which I will have to assume I'm breathing the same air as unvaccinated people. Happy to join if the meeting is held outdoors.

From Rose Stephens-Booker to All Panelists: 06:28 PM

Great point, Stephen. Thanks so much!!!

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 06:29 PM

Please announce meetings at least two weeks in advance and provide materials to be discussed at meetings at least one week prior to meetings. That will facilitate meaningful public discussion. Thank you

From Scott Barstow to All Panelists: 06:30 PM

I'd like to second Mr. Impastato's comments about posting materials in advance to inform public comments

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 06:32 PM

Please provide your reference for the fact that this Task Force will not following Robert's Rules. It is my understanding that all boards and commissions and public groups must use Roberts Rules.

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 06:45 PM

Free DASH is a great move for climate justice as well

From Scott Barstow to Everyone: 06:56 PM

Are there any estimates of the GHG emissions mitigation effect of the Mobility Plan?

From Me to All Panelists: 06:57 PM

Here is the link to the AMP: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/MobilityPlan>

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 06:58 PM

please post everything to panelists AND attendees so the public can see.

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 06:58 PM

From Jessica: Here is the link to the AMP: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/MobilityPlan>

From Stephen Walz to Everyone: 06:58 PM

Here is the link to all attendees and panelists

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From arthur impastato to Everyone: 07:02 PM

I never saw an Alexandria e-news which is where it should be done to get more participation.

From PAUL Kaplowitz to All Panelists: 07:03 PM

We could alert the public to future meetings by posting them on AlexNow.

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 07:03 PM

Relevant report around the benefits and implementation of High-Performance Districts and Communities: <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy21osti/78495.pdf>

From Rose Stephens-Booker to All Panelists: 07:04 PM

Love ALXNow. Am I allowed to say that? Grateful for that media outlet for getting local information out there.

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 07:04 PM

If you have a contact at ALXNow, we would appreciate the connection.

From Scott Barstow to Everyone: 07:06 PM

Reducing methane emissions is critical for meeting the 2030 target

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:08 PM

For ALXNow contact news@alxnow.com

From Me to All Panelists: 07:09 PM

Household Haz Waste info: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/tes/solidwaste/info/default.aspx?id=19206>

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 07:09 PM

From Jessica Lassetter: Household Haz Waste info:
<https://www.alexandriava.gov/tes/solidwaste/info/default.aspx?id=19206>

From Me to Everyone: 07:09 PM

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From Raquel Nicora to Everyone: 07:11 PM

For Bill: [linkedin.com/in/scottbrodbeck](https://www.linkedin.com/in/scottbrodbeck)

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 07:16 PM

I want to propose some high priority mitigation actions.

Electricity: Demand carbon-free power from utility; Advocate at state/fed level for CES

Buildings: Efficiency and electrification retrofits

Transportation: Consumer adoption of EVs; Transit+density; Walking/biking

From Scott Barstow to Everyone: 07:17 PM

The city should be assisting residents and businesses to reduce emissions directly, not facilitating offsets, which are a dodge from the real work that's needed

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:18 PM

I'd like to hear from the equity panelists their ideas on how to better engage the BIPOC communities for these meetings?

From Rose Stephens-Booker to All Panelists: 07:23 PM

I'm not sure many of us were very social back in November of 2020. Looking forward to meeting newly appointed staff one day.

From Alyssa Abosompin to All Panelists: 07:23 PM

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From Ellen Eggerton to Everyone: 07:25 PM

yes we reached out to the equity officer before this meeting

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 07:25 PM

From a fellow EPC member on climate mitigation & transportation - recommends moving away from parking minimums, requiring new developments to integrate public transit and make space for retail/grocery/medical to reduce the need for transit within a community, making public mobility more accessible and attractive, and reducing traffic on major arterial roads that have housing on them (e.g. along Rt 1). Because it is a planning issue, a transit issue, and an environmental issue, it requires a lot of coordination.

From Alyssa Abosompin to Everyone: 07:30 PM

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Sorry, hit enter too soon..

I'd like to add that by limiting announcements and reading materials to the Alx city website certainly doesn't alleviate gaps

From Tiffany Porter to All Panelists: 07:30 PM

The environment is a health issue.

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:30 PM

I would suggest that all Task Force members take Jacqueline Tucker's 30-day racial equity challenge. Here's the link: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/manager/default.aspx?id=122839>

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 07:33 PM

Thank you, Kathie.

Alyssa, thank you. City staff acknowledge posting materials as early as possible.

Thank you Tiffany Porter..

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 07:36 PM

Can we use the City's census track analysis that was conducted for early COVID vaccines, to align with areas of the City that stand to benefit more from Energy Efficiency/Climate Mitigation assistance?

From Alyssa Abosompin to Everyone: 07:36 PM

Hi Bill, it's not necessarily about timing. As it is now, by narrowing its communication to only the website, city staff is expecting the groups that it seeks to include to know about the city website and have the capacity to be perusing it regularly looking for updates. This looks like the city is expecting people to accommodate what is convenient for the city.

If it's truly important to include all walks of life, the city needs to meet those people where they are, not the other way around.

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 07:37 PM

Thank you for the clarification, Alyssa.

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:40 PM

Should the City consider using some of the next group of ARPA funds to not only support affordable housing - but add the extra 2-6% needed to make that housing zero carbon to dramatically lower the energy bills and make the housing much more comfortable for the residents?

From Tiffany Porter to All Panelists: 07:41 PM

It's important to be equitable with our renters. While it's important to consider homeowners, they most likely charge more than what they pay.

From Scott Barstow to Everyone: 07:42 PM

Excellent presentation! The City should definitely consider using ARPA funds for EE/RE retrofits and electrification of affordable housing.

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:42 PM

@Alyssa - Yes 100%

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 07:45 PM

Your ideas are good, but ARPA fund usage has already been approved by City Council on 7/6/21: <<https://alexandria.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5015170&GUID=E1A4AAE4-2BCF-4C43-9C43-C0AB102378A6>>. They did not choose to do what you suggest.

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 07:46 PM

The second group of ARPA funds will be available for next year's City budget.

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 07:47 PM

For statewide programs like Ellen mentioned, and efficiency programs funded through the electric/gas utilities, how can we get data on what share of that funding is directed within the City? What can the City do to encourage the most equitable distribution of those funds?

From Rose Stephens-Booker to Everyone: 07:47 PM

We should also be saying, weatherization, energy efficiency and renewable energy. Most people believe the starting line is EE and it's not, not for LMI communities of color. EE MUST begin with weatherization.

From Josh Sawislak to Everyone: 07:49 PM

There may be funds coming through HUD in AJP (or whatever it ends up being called), which will be targeted at LMI communities (may be CDBG or other programs).

From Me to Everyone: 07:50 PM

ARPA in Alexandria: <https://www.alexandriava.gov/AmericanRescuePlan>

From Bill Pugh to Everyone: 07:51 PM

Great analysis on energy burden. In addition to home utility energy burden, there is also a transportation energy burden due to the lack of affordable housing in the city - displaced residents are having to move further and further out in the region, away from transit and jobs in Alexandria. The ECCAP should also consider the importance of the City providing sufficient affordable housing. This is an equity-climate win. Meeting the regional housing targets is one of the COG climate plan mitigation actions, but is mostly up to localities like Alexandria to implement - so it should be an ECCAP priority item. Thanks.

From Stephen Walz to Everyone: 07:52 PM

Should get data both for utility programs and Weatherization Assistance Program

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:00 PM

Very much support an analysis of fuel switching/electrification and the impact on energy burden, how we can address that in the short and long term

A fellow EPC member developed an early map layering social vulnerability, flood zones, and heat islands for the city. Would love to share that with the group for a visual of communities that are especially important to engage.

From Rose Stephens-Booker to Everyone: 08:01 PM

Thank you, Stephen!

From Raquel Nicora to Everyone: 08:01 PM

Marta — that would be great, as they say a picture is worth a thousand words

From Donald Burke to Everyone: 08:04 PM

attend HOA meetings, condo board meetings, civic association meetings, and the like. Tailor to how the efforts of the task force are relevant to that group.

From Tiffany Porter to All Panelists: 08:04 PM

Schools, PTA meetings, farmers markets....

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:06 PM

Raquel, I sent you an email! Can't email it to the full Task Force because of Sunshine Law.

From Raquel Nicora to Everyone: 08:06 PM

Thank you Marta

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:07 PM

Great to have an extra Task Force meeting scheduled - there is much work to do and discuss, and that extra event will make a big difference. Thank you.

From Javier Bastos to All Panelists: 08:07 PM

Marta, may I get a copy as well?

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 08:07 PM

Marta I think you can post it publicly (tweet it?)

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 08:07 PM

Outreach to civic associations and large HOA and condo associations is probably more efficiently done through the Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations: <<https://alexafca.org/>>

From Marta Schantz to Bill Pugh, All Panelists: 08:07 PM

Bill do you mind if I post your map publicly online?

From Kathie Hoekstra to Everyone: 08:08 PM

I volunteer myself and at least 3 other members or former members of the EPC to help with outreach.

From Donald Burke to Everyone: 08:12 PM

allow messaging to be grouped by interest area: e.g., "I am a renter in a multi-unit building, how does the task force's efforts relate to me." The website could then tee up answers tailored to that person's life.

From Stephen Walz to Everyone: 08:17 PM

I would be willing to help staff with the workshop planning.

From Donald Burke to Everyone: 08:18 PM

None task force members could at least help distribute material to their communities

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 08:18 PM

I am happy to continue doing outreach to the West End Coalition (20 members associations), Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations (over 20 member orgs), and Alexandrians for the Environmental Action Plan (which includes members of the EPC, Coalition for Smarter Growth, Build Our Future, the Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions and the Executive Committee of the Potomac River Group of the Virginia Chapter of the Sierra Club).

From Bill Pugh to Everyone: 08:21 PM

Is there budget for some City pop-up engagement? The Alexandria Mobility Plan had some good pop-ups (e.g., transit stops, laundromats, grocery stores) in different parts of town that collected some different feedback from City residents than that collected through traditional meetings and online events.

From Tiffany Porter to All Panelists: 08:22 PM

Spanish and Amharic

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 08:23 PM

I "second" Bill P's idea on pop-up engagement. I ran into City staff doing that at 4MR park and was able to engage when I never would have attended a workshop on that topic. Which also raises the question — what is a "workshop"? Did this group decide that our engagement should take the form of workshops (as opposed to all other forms of engagement that exist)?

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:24 PM

Agreed - Pop-Up engagement seems like we'd reach more folks where they are, and at the level they understand, rather than in lengthy 2-hour workshops

From Raquel Nicora to Everyone: 08:24 PM

Praveen — I'd bring up the question before we move on

From Alyssa Abosompin to Everyone: 08:25 PM

I was assuming "workshop" was being used as a stand-in word for whatever the event is

From Tiffany Porter to All Panelists: 08:29 PM

Are there resources for fliers? And if so do city departments help each other out? Like, say for the farmers markets, there used to be a city employee (I believe) at one. Could they pass out fliers? Is that frowned upon?

As a side note, the climate crisis is all encompassing. So it effects transportation, composting, health, education. Like if departments could work with each other, it might be beneficial

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 08:30 PM

Due to the pandemic, consideration should be given for any workshop or other indoor events that they include some type of virtual capability.

From Javier Bastos to All Panelists: 08:33 PM

My apologies but I have another commitment and had anticipated completing this meeting at 8:30 as originally stated on the agenda.

From Mary Harris, Co-Chair to All Panelists: 08:34 PM

Thank you Javier. I understand and appreciate your volunteering to hlp staff with engagement.

From arthur impastato to Everyone: 08:38 PM

The Ann Arbor "A2Zero Ann Arbor's Living Carbon Neutrality Plan April 2020" does a good job of quantifying which actions give you the biggest bang for the buck. Stephen Walz noted that plan at the May 4 meeting.

From Praveen Kathpal to Everyone: 08:38 PM

Task 2 is critically important and time sensitive. Great to see that equity is built into task 2 as a consideration in mitigation actions. I propose a phased release where the results of task 2 are completed first so the mitigation actions can begin, then if there is time/budget go back and complete the remaining tasks. And I would put 80% of the effort on task 2.8 - how to fill the gaps! "As appropriate, identify and quantify additional high-impact greenhouse gas emission reduction actions not already identified and necessary to achieve City's Environmental Action Plan 2040

greenhouse gas emissions goals"

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:39 PM

I'd like the SOW to include an estimated LOE breakout across the tasks so that the proposals follow the City's expected level of effort across the tasks that are more impactful. Task 2 is high on my list for that.

From Rose Stephens-Booker to Everyone: 08:40 PM

All of the materials did say 8:30PM was the end time. For future meetings, particularly when scheduling childcare, when 8:30PM is on the materials am I to assume that we are going to 9PM?

From Scott Barstow to Everyone: 08:41 PM

ACEEE is hosting a webinar next week entitled "Tackling Renters' Energy Costs: How Local Governments Can Equitably Improve Efficiency". Registration link here: <https://www.aceee.org/webinar/tackling-renters-energy-costs-how-local-governments-can-equitably-improve-efficiency>

From Rose Stephens-Booker to Everyone: 08:41 PM

@Marta, that's a fantastic idea. Thank you for articulating that ask.

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:41 PM

I would also like to see Task 2 more clearly show the gap that we may still face if we do all the things in the EAP40 (not just BAU).

From Donald Burke to Everyone: 08:42 PM

I wanted to make a public comment but will submit it via feedback for the sake of time. Thank you all for digging into this

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 08:42 PM

Please provide additional feedback here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FJF6FNW>

From Raquel Nicora to Everyone: 08:42 PM

Thank you Bill!

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:42 PM

Bill when is the deadline for providing SOW feedback?

From Bill Eger to Everyone: 08:46 PM

We would like to have input on Scope of Work as soon as possible. We would like to have comments by August 3 5:00 PM EST.

Apologies. The correct date for submitting comments for consideration for the Scope of Work is Wednesday August 4, 2021 5:00 PM.

From Marta Schantz to Everyone: 08:47 PM

I noticed the prior slide showed a list of future ECCAP Task Force meeting dates

From Alyssa Abosompin to Everyone: 08:48 PM

Sorry, I need to jump off now. I'm looking forward to the follow-up documents that come from this meeting. Goodnight!

From Marian Pegram, Co-Chair to Everyone: 08:48 PM

Thanks Alyssa for participating.

From Josh Sawislak to Everyone: 08:49 PM

Thanks everyone