

# Southside Green Zone Council Agenda

Regular Meeting

November 3, 2022 - 5:00 pm

Phillips Community Center

Members: Samara Adam, Karen Clark, Jennifer Davis, Rob Hendrickson, Cassandra Holmes, Megan Kuhl-Stennes, Joel McReynolds, Muhubo Mohamed, Kowsar Mohamed, Spencer Polk, Viviana Rodriguez, and José Villaseñor (Quorum: 9)

Staff: Kelly Muellman

## Call To Order

1. Roll Call.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Acceptance of minutes

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## Discussion

4. Green Zone Evaluation - digging into the "stuck"

## New Business

5. Select 2023 meeting dates & times
6. Review Southside Green Zone Work Plan for priorities
7. Coordinating with other committees

## Announcements

### 8. **2022 Minneapolis Climate Action and Racial Equity funds**

Application Deadline: October 28, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

The [Minneapolis Climate Action and Racial Equity Fund](#) is a partnership between the City of Minneapolis, the Minneapolis Foundation, and the McKnight Foundation. The Fund offers grants for place-based, community-driven initiatives and projects that contribute to a reduction in local greenhouse gas emissions and increase the livability and resiliency of

local communities. Proposals should align with the goals of the [Minneapolis Climate Action Plan](#) and the [Minneapolis Strategic Racial Equity Plan](#).

#### 9. **Join a working group for the Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan**

The Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan is seeking interested residents, businesses and organizations to participate in several working groups:

1. Buildings & Energy (1-4 unit residential)
2. Buildings & Energy (Multifamily / Commercial / Mixed-Use / Industrial)
3. Energy Systems (electricity, building gas, district thermal, etc.)
4. Greenspace (trees, green infrastructure, carbon sequestration)
5. Circular Economy (including zero waste and food systems)
6. Transportation (complete communities)
7. Water

The working groups' roles are to:

1. Bring together varying expertise and interests in the topic
2. Review existing city plans, policies and programs on the topic
3. Identify goals, objectives and actions in these plans and missing from these plans that actively advance community resilience, racial equity and community wealth building, and reduce carbon emissions
4. Draft language for content, goals, objectives and actions for the Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan

[Sign up to join a Working Group](#). Meetings start as soon as October 26!

[Read background information on the Climate Equity Plan process](#).

#### 10. **Minneapolis Edible Boulevards' online cooking class**

Mark your calendars now for November and December's Zoom classes with Derek Nicholas of the Division of Indian Work! The [events are on Facebook](#). For those not on Facebook, check out [the poster](#). Events are free and open to all. We [ask that folks register](#) so we know how much to prep.

#### 11. **Energy Assistance Opens Up October 1, 2022**

Need help paying utility bills?

Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County will accept applications for 2021-2022 Energy Assistance Program (EAP) beginning on Oct. 1, 2022.

[Apply now](#).

Or call (952) 930-3541 to request an energy assistance application.

Income-eligible applicants will be exempt from paying the monthly gas price spike surcharges--even if there aren't enough EAP funds to serve your household.

## Adjournment

### Next Southside Green Zone Council meeting : Dec 8, 2022

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