

APPENDIX C - CLIMATE ACTION SA RECOMMENDATIONS

Climate Action San Antonio(CASA) Recommendations for the CPS Energy Rate Advisory Committee

- CASA calls for the proposed rates/generation committee to be a COSA Councilappointed committee representing each Council district, utility quadrants, and at-large membership in order to ensure accountability and transparency. In addition:
 - a. We expect all members have a basic understanding of equity and environmental justice and, to ensure a diverse set of technical solutions and recommendations, be drawn from both from the technical sphere and impacted communities that have been kept out of the decision-making process;
 - Ensure that comprehensive resource planning decisions (with meaningful stakeholder engagement) support the revenue requirement of CPS Energy (and vice versa):
 - c. Ensure a just and equitable rate structure for CPS Energy customers.
- This should not be part of Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), if anything it should take CAC's place as a public and transparent space for community conversation about rates and power.
- Committee members must be provided technical access to staff/data. Issues related to competitive/confidential data should not stand in the way. There are many ways to resolve these issues. Most of the relevant data isn't competitive information, especially if presented in an aggregate view.
- 4. Required updates to CPSE board each meeting.
- 5. CAAP goals must inform and direct CPS Energy resource planning goals.
- The RAC will bring formal rate making recommendations directly to Council as the formal decision-makers.
- 7. One body:
 - We recommend one committee, but if broken into two committees the recommendations should be shared with City Council and BOT concurrently with BOT process to evaluate and decide resource planning
 - Be intentional about resource planning informing the rate revenue requirements AND understanding the rate impacts (rate structure) on people stemming from resource planning.
- 8. Committee transparency
 - All meetings should be posted online with backup materials at least 72 hours in advance.
 - b. All meetings should be open to the public; held after typical work hours for maximum inclusion; and should include Citizens to Be Heard, with comments shared that are either received electronically or in-person.
 - All meetings should be recorded and minutes and the recording posted promptly online following the meeting.
 - The committee should select it's own chair and vice chair and they should set the meeting agendas with input from the rest of the committee;
 - A non-voting member chosen by the members of the city CAAP committee will serve as liaison between the two committees.

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