

DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. __

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to establish an Energy and Climate Change Task Force, and

WHEREAS, the Energy and Climate Change Task Force will conduct specified tasks outlined in this resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:**

1. That there is hereby established the Energy and Climate Change Task Force (the "Task Force") whose mission is to provide feedback and guidance on the update of the Energy and Climate Change Action Plan.
2. That the Task Force shall consist of 13 members and the composition of the group shall be as follows:
 - 1 person designated by, but who need not be a member of, the Environmental Policy Commission
 - 1 person representing an environmental, clean energy, or climate change action advocacy organization or interests
 - 3 persons who are residents of Alexandria at-large and who's representation reflects:
 - The differing areas/neighborhoods of the City and differing interests of homeowners, condo or multi-family residents, and renters/tenants
 - Involvement in civic or community organizations or faith organizations
 - Interests or expertise in relevant fields such as renewable energy, energy efficiency and energy conservation, climate change vulnerabilities, climate change adaptation, land use, energy/resource economics, community engagement, transportation, or finance
 - 2 persons with interest or expertise in diversity, race and social equity, and inclusivity issues of diverse Alexandria populations, including those of Alexandria's aging population
 - 2 persons representing Alexandria youth interests with specific priority of Alexandria high school students
 - 2 business representatives from the Alexandria business community which may include representation of a business membership organization, business owner, commercial building owner, or an institutional organization with consideration of ensuring representing racial and social equity among these representatives,
 - 1 person representing the interest of leveraging climate change solutions to support the City's economic development goals as well as support Alexandria's COVID-19 pandemic economic recovery efforts
 - 1 person who is a professional representing clean energy and climate policy or technology interests

3. The Environmental Policy Commission shall designate its own representative. The City Manager shall appoint the remaining 12 members of the Task Force and designate the Chair of the Task Force whose role is to serve as a meeting facilitator, spokesperson, and work with City staff to set Task Force meeting agendas.
4. That the City Manager be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to take such additional actions as may be necessary or convenient to establish the Task Force as set forth by this Resolution.
5. That members of the Task Force are expected to:
 - Provide feedback and guidance to City staff on the Energy and Climate Change Action Plan development process relative to their representation or area of expertise;
 - Assist and support the City's community engagement outreach efforts and meeting activities;
 - Attend all meetings prepared by reading assigned materials and information.
6. That the Task Force will be staffed by representatives of the Department of General Services, with support from representatives of the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services and assistance from other City departments and partner organizations. Additional assistance shall be provided as needed by consultants and outside experts.
7. That the Task Force will hold a minimum of (4) four public meetings or meet as needed.
8. Pursuant to City Code Section 2-4-8, the Task Force shall sunset upon the City Council's adoption of the Energy and Climate Change Action Plan update, or 365 days from the date of its initial meeting, or when it submits its final oral or written report to council, whichever occurs first.

Adopted:

JUSTIN M. WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk