

Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee	Application No: No: 20200124094629_9259
INTRODUCTORY LANGUAGE	
The SA Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) is San Antonio's a roadmap to reduce carbon emissions, adapt to a changing climate, and ensure San Antonio remains a healthy, vibrant place for generations to come.	
The Climate Equity Advisory Committee advises City staff and City Council on the advancement of equity-centered implementation of the CAAP, and other associated long-term sustainability plans, such as the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan.	
As the CAAP is centered in equity and diversity, membership in advisory committees shall represent those that live and work within the City of San Antonio, inclusive of indigenous persons, communities of color, low-income residents, LGBTQIA+ persons, persons of varying ages, persons with different abilities, and other marginalized communities who hold diverse expertise, identities, and/or perspectives.	
The City of San Antonio, through the Office of Equity, has made a commitment to advancing diversity, equity and inclusion in local government in all of its Departments. Equity means that our policy-making, service delivery, and distribution of resources account for the different histories, challenges, and needs of the people we serve. The Office of Equity is a citywide office focused on advancing social equity within City Government, to help reduce and ultimately eliminate disparities experienced by our most marginalized San Antonio residents, and the Office of Sustainability will continue to collaborate with them on the CAAP.	

If you need assistance with completing this application, please contact the Office of Sustainability at 210.207.6103 or Sustainability@sanantonio.gov.	
PROFILE	
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Job Title	Sustainability
Occupation	Public Housing
Board/Commission/Committee Name	Climate Ready Climate Equity Advisory Committee~~~14
DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION	
The City of San Antonio strives for boards and commissions to be representative of our diverse community. Providing the following demographic information is voluntary, and will only be used for statistical and reporting purposes.	
Race/Ethnicity (Please select all that apply):	Hispanic/Latino/a
Gender:	Male
Age:	18 to 24

Do you identify as a sexual minority (such as lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, etc.)?	
QUESTIONS	
Are you a City of San Antonio resident?	No
Do you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own currently have any direct or indirect financial interest in any contract (s) with the City, including subcontracts?	No
Will you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own seek a contract(s) with the City in the foreseeable future?	No
Do you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own have any financial interest, direct or indirect, in any sale to the City of any land, materials, supplies, or service?	No
Will you or any of your immediate family members or any businesses that you or they own seek or take part, either directly or indirectly, in any sale of land, materials, supplies, or service to the City in the foreseeable future?	No
Does your employer or an employer of your immediate family members have a contract with the City?	No
Do you or any of your family members currently serve or in the past year served as an administrative aide to a Councilmember?	No
Do you currently serve in any elected or appointed public government office?	No
Are you a member and/or officer and/or employee of any boards, commissions, corporations, non-profit entities, agencies, or other entities?	No
Do you intend to seek election or appointment to any public office or board or commission in the foreseeable future?	No
Have you ever been hired for a position with the City of San Antonio?	No

What expertise, and/or perspectives to you bring to the committee? Please select all areas that you believe you represent:	Social Justice Environmental Justice Climate Racial Justice Affordable Housing and Houselessness/Homelessness Public Health Food Security
Please provide a brief summary of your expertise and/or perspectives.	I have expertise in urban development, sustainability, public housing, climate science, food security, and public health. I understand how urban development can negatively effect some residents and how economic growth does not always benefit lower class societies. Coming from a lower class minority groups to working with them directly has given me the unique perspective of knowing what it takes to lift these groups up out of poverty and how to help them create better lives for themselves and future generations.
Please provide a description of your professional, educational and community/volunteer experience.	I obtained my degree in Ecosystem Science and Sustainability from Colorado State University. This degree taught the foundations of social, economic and scientific sustainability. I learned in depth about how urban development effects not only the environment around it, but the people as well. Environmental justice and policy were also large parts of my degree. We studied how Environmental injustice penetrates lower class societies everyday and what needs to be done to correct discriminatory policies that are in place. After graduating I was hired by San Antonio Housing Authority to work in their Sustainability Department. I work assisting in running the Garcia Street Urban Farm, the coordination of new projects, recruitment of different organizations for various social programs we run, building energy audits, and other related tasks. SAHA's Sustainability Initiatives Liaison, Beth Keel, who is also my supervisor has given me the opportunity to sit in with her, and occasionally for her, on various boards she serves on such as the Benchmarking Advisory Committee and SA 2030 District Board. I also volunteer on the Food Policy Council and with the Urban Ag Working Group to help find solutions to San Antonio's food scarcity problems. Sitting in on these boards, groups, and committees has allowed me to see first how to properly and effectively advise on the implementation of city wide plans.
Please share your interest and	Growing up in a single family Hispanic home here in San Antonio, I was often part of the minority group that are effected negatively by city development and social equity issues. Working in public housing now, I see these issues in my day to day as we work to provide affordable housing for minority groups and improve their quality of life. I understand what it

commitment to racial and economic justice and other social equity issues.	means to be less fortunate, but I also understand what it means to be lifted out of those places and given opportunities for a better future. Sustainability is not just a scientific issue to me, it is also a social issue. For a San Antonio to move forward on its climate action plans and become a more sustainable city, that means it has to be able to meet the needs of all its residents and that includes minority and lower class groups
Please explain why you would like to serve on this committee.	I would like to serve on this committee because I believe my background, education, and experience make me a very qualified candidate for it. I have read through the SA Climate Ready Climate Action and Adaptation Plan and the SA Tomorrow Sustainability Plan and understand the goals of these plans and how they pertain to the social equity issues in San Antonio. I understand that as San Antonio moves forward with adapting to climate change, it is important not to leave the less fortunate behind. I have been able to learn from the best professionals in San Antonio and have sat in on conversations that are shaping sustainability in this great city. Many people who come from the background that I did are given the opportunities that I have had and that is why I want to be voice for them in this committee.
What potential barrier(s) may affect your participation in this committee?	
COMMITTEE MEMBER EXPECTATIONS	
Attend and actively participate in quarterly 2 hour-long meetings (Please note that Committee meetings will be televised and open to the public).	
Attend annual joint CAAP advisory committee retreat.	
Participate in CoSA Office of Equity facilitated training.	
Prepare for the quarterly meetings by reviewing the meeting agenda and completing pre-meeting homework.	
Alert City Staff of conflicts to participation.	
Assist with community and stakeholder engagement.	
Work towards successful outcomes.	
I have read and agree to adhere to the	

above-referenced expectations for committee member participation.	Acknowledged
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION	
Submit the following documentation needed to establish your eligibility. Be aware that the information you submit may be subject to verification during the application process. The information is also subject to the Texas Public Information Act and may be disclosed to the public unless otherwise protected by law. Attach scanned copies of your documentation using the Attachments panel at the bottom of this page.	
Copy of your current driver's license or other official documentation listing your Last Name, First Name, and Date of Birth.	
APPLICATION SIGN-OFF	
As a board, commission, or committee member, you will be asked to adhere to: Code of Ordinances, City of San Antonio, Part II, Chapter 2, Article IX, Sec.2-534. All board and commission members must file a Financial Disclosure Report with the Office of the City Clerk upon appointment, and annually thereafter, throughout the member's term. Failure to file a Financial Disclosure Report within the time required by the City's Ethics Code will be considered an automatic removal.	
I understand that if any member of the public makes a request for information included in this Application for Appointment, most of the information must be disclosed under the Public Information Act. I understand that the City of San Antonio will attempt to maintain the confidentiality of highly private matters by seeking an Attorney General's opinion in accordance with the Public Information Act. I understand that it may not be legally possible to maintain the confidentiality of such information, and I hereby release the City of San Antonio, and its agents,	Acknowledged

employees and officers, from any and all liability whatsoever if the information must be released pursuant to the Public Information Act or any other law requiring its release.	
OATH: I have read and understand the guidelines set out in this application. The foregoing statements are true, accurate, and complete. I agree that any misrepresentation or omission of facts may result in my disqualification for appointment.	Acknowledged
Enter Your Name	Tristan Tovar
Date of submission.	1/24/2020
The Texas Public Information Act provides that each government official may choose whether to allow the public access to the information in the custody of the City that contains your home address, home telephone number, or reveals whether you have family members. Please note that this does not apply to business addresses, which are subject to public disclosure. If an open records request is filed requesting to view or obtain records that contain your personal information, the City will take steps to protect your personal information as authorized by the Texas Public Information Act, but only if you have elected to protect personal information.	
I want the public to have access to my Home Address.	No
I want the public to have access to my Home Telephone Number.	No
I want the public to have access to my Social Security Number.	No
I want the public to have access to my Emergency Contact Information.	No
I want the public to have access to my Family Information.	No
Please attach any additional information, such as a current resume, using the Attachments panel at the bottom of this page.	

