



# Memorandum

**TO:** RULES AND OPEN  
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

**FROM:** Lori Mitchell

**SUBJECT:** See Below

**DATE:** January 22, 2026

Approved

Date:

1/22/26

**SUBJECT:** Update to the January - June 2026 Transportation and Environment Committee Work Plan

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve an amendment to the January - June 2026 Transportation and Environment Committee Work Plan to add the following item to the February 9, 2026, Transportation and Environment Committee meeting agenda.

### **Climate Advisory Commission Work Plan.**

**Purpose:** Provide a report on the Climate Advisory Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. (Energy)

## **BACKGROUND**

The Climate Advisory Commission (Commission) supports San José's Climate Smart initiatives by advising and making recommendations to the City Council and the City Manager, or her designee, on all aspects of the Climate Smart San José plan. This includes providing guidance on achieving the Pathway to Carbon Neutrality by 2030, advancing climate adaptation, and serving as a community voice on climate-related policies and programs. In August 2025, the Commission adopted its work plan to align with the City's climate goals and emerging needs.

As part of its continued efforts, the Commission's Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 is being updated to reflect the addition of two new items:

1. **San José Clean Energy Integrated Resource Plan (Second Review):** This addition reflects the City's commitment to transparent, long-term energy planning. The Commission will receive an additional briefing on the San José Clean Energy Integrated Resource Plan and provide input on resource procurement strategies to ensure alignment with Climate Smart San José goals.

The second review provides the Commission with an opportunity to evaluate the final modeling scenarios and resource portfolio strategies prior to submittal to the City Council and California Public Utilities Commission, ensuring community input is reflected and aligned with both Climate Smart San José goals and evolving regulatory guidance.

- 2. Energy and Water Building Performance Ordinance Evaluation:** This item supports the City's focus on improving energy and water efficiency in large buildings. The Commission will receive an update on the Building Performance Ordinance and provide feedback to inform updates presented to the Transportation and Environment Committee.

## **ANALYSIS**

The proposed updates to the Commission's Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 strengthen the Commission's ability to address both immediate and long-term climate priorities. The updated plan includes a second review of the San José Clean Energy Integrated Resource Plan and an evaluation of the Energy and Water Building Performance Ordinance. These additions will allow the Commission to provide informed guidance on long-term energy procurement, strategies to improve building performance, and the City's overarching climate goals, ensuring continued alignment with Climate Smart San José.

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## **ATTACHMENT**

Updated Fiscal Year 2025-26 Climate Advisory Commission Work Plan

**ATTACHMENT A – Updated Fiscal Year 2025-26 Climate Advisory Commission Work Plan**

Climate Advisory Commission (CAC) Revised Work Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26			
Items for Briefing and Possible Action in FY 25-26	Related Climate Smart Strategies	Actions	Timeframe
Legislative/Regulatory Outlook	<b>General</b> - overarching	Receive briefing on relevant upcoming legislation and potential City actions	July 17, 2025
San José Clean Energy (SJCE) Integrated Resource Plan (every two years)**	<b>Strategy 1.1</b> - Transition to a Renewable Energy Future	Receive briefing and give comment on long term resource procurement	
		No meeting	August 2025
Climate Smart Plan Update and Semi-Annual Program Update**	<b>General</b> - overarching	Receive briefing and give comment on Climate Smart Plan update and on Climate Smart programs and policies	September 18, 2025
Follow-up on PBCE setback and noise ordinance changes **	<b>Strategies 2.1, 2.2</b> - Densify Our City and Provide Affordable Efficient Homes	Received briefing and give comment on updates to PBCE setback and noise ordinance	
		No meeting	October 2025
SJCE Rates and Power Source Mix - Bill Credits**	<b>Strategy 1.1</b> - Transition to a Renewable Energy Future	Receive briefing on 2026 power mix and rates, and potentially vote on power mix and rates recommendation to City Council	November 20, 2025
Introduction to the Building Performance Ordinance	<b>Strategy 3.2</b> - Improve the Commercial Building Stock	Receive briefing on Building Performance Ordinance	
		No meeting	December 2025
Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan Update**	<b>NEW:</b> Adaptation and Resilience	Receiving briefing and give comment on Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan	January 15, 2026
SJCE Programs Roadmap**	<b>Strategies 1.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.2</b> - Transition to a Renewable Energy Future, Provide Affordable Efficient Homes, Support Clean Personal Mobility, and Improve the Commercial Building Stock	Receive briefing and give comment on SJCE programs and policies	
		Receive updated briefing on 2026 power mix and rates including analysis of bill credits, PCIA cost impacts, and final rate recommendations for customer affordability and clean energy alignment prior to Council action	
SJCE Rates and Power Source Mix (second review)**	<b>Strategy 1.1</b> - Transition to a Renewable Energy Future	No meeting	February 2026
		Receive a second briefing and provide comment on the final SJCE Integrated Resource Plan modeling and strategy prior to City Council submittal	March 19, 2026
SJCE Integrated Resource Plan (second review)**	<b>Strategy 1.1</b> - Transition to a Renewable Energy Future	Receive briefing and give comment on Building Performance Ordinance update to Transportation and Environment Committee	
Energy and Water Building Performance Ordinance Evaluation**	<b>Strategy 3.2</b> - Improve the Commercial Building Stock	No meeting	April 2026
	<b>Strategies 2.1, 2.3, 2.4, and 3.3</b> - Densify Our City, Support Clean Personal Mobility, Develop Integrated and Accessible Public Transit, Make Goods Movement Efficient	Receive briefing and give comment on Transportation programs and policies	May 21, 2026
Transportation Semi-Annual Update**		Receive briefing and give comment on Climate Smart outreach and advocacy strategies	
Outreach and Engagement Strategy**	<b>General</b> - overarching	Review the Commission Work Plan for FY 2026-27	
Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27**	NA - Commission specific	Review the Commission Annual Report for FY 2025-26	
Commission Annual Report for FY 2025-26**	NA - Commission specific		

\*\*Denotes items where commission action/recommendation to City Council and/or staff is expected or applicable.