

Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board - Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 11, 2025

City Council Briefing Center

Meeting called to order at 2:01 PM by Amanda Parrish

Public Comment: Citizens are invited to address the Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board on any topic not on the agenda. 2 Minutes each.

- *None*

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Amanda Parrish, Kathryn Alexander, Bob Lutz, Larry Luton, Happy Avery, Elyse Hochstadt, Kerry Brooks, Kevin Fagan, Lea Molina, Kit Parker, Ryan Arnold, Claire Cooney
- Board Members Not Present: Brian Henning, Hala Zahalqa
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Staff Members Present: Jon Snyder, Emily King, Tirrell Black, Maren Murphy, KayCee Downey, Marlene Feist, Amanda Brown, Logan Callen, Elizabeth Schoedel, Kirstin Davis, Raylene Gennett, Tyler Kimbrell, Hollis Staal, Beryl Fredrickson, Sarah Nuss, Mayra Marroquin, Nicole White

Minutes: Minutes from 10/9/2025 and 11/13/2025 approved unanimously. Joint meeting minutes from 10/29/2025 approved unanimously.

Briefing Session:

- **Chair Report - Amanda Parrish**
 - Amanda recognized the work that everyone has put into the comprehensive plan and climate policy. During this meeting there will be a discussion about any policy gaps. Today will be the board's final opportunity to identify anything missing within the policies the board is recommending. After the meeting today, the board will shift toward refining the policies during the January meeting. The board will then have a joint meeting with the Plan Commission at the end of January. The goal is then for the board to take a final vote on the complete set of climate policies in February.
 - Amanda also made the board aware that Claire Cooney will be relocating away from Spokane after she graduates this spring. The board will have a vacant seat for a youth member, if any board members know of anyone who may be interested.
- **Secretary Report - Jon Snyder**
 - Jon reported that Santiago Rodriguez Anderson has been chosen by Community Assembly to represent them as a liaison to the board. He will attend the January meeting to introduce himself in person. The final action from Council will happen sometime in January.
 - Jon also reminded board members that we will have a joint meeting with the Plan Commission on January 28th beginning at 2pm.
 - Right before the meeting, Jon emailed out the City's updated ethics policy. Now members of all boards and commissions must sign an acknowledgement. Next meeting, we will bring paper copies for members to sign.
 - Finally, he reminded members that there is a Waste to Energy tour scheduled for tomorrow for a few board members. Another tour will be scheduled in January for members unable to attend this tour.

Current Agenda: The current agenda was approved.

Informational, Discussion and/or Action Items:

- Water Conservation Master Plan Update
 - Presentation provided by: Marlene Feist, Kristen Zimmer
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- PlanSpokane 2046: Engagement Report Out
 - Presentation provided by: KayCee Downey
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- Climate Policy Review/Refinement
 - Presentation provided by: Maren Murphy, BERK, Cascadia
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- Overview of Tool for Policy Analysis: Multi-Criteria Priority Analysis (MCPA)
 - Presentation provided by: BERK, Cascadia
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- CRSB Policy Gap Discussion
 - Presentation provided by: All Members
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- SAPW Report Out: Biochar Pilot
 - Presentation provided by: Kevin Fagan
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:31 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Climate Resilience and Sustainability Board Meeting is on Thursday, January 8, 2026.