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- Equity Screening Tool

Racial Equity & Environmental Justice Roundtable Tuesday, December 14, 2021

City of Richmond RVA9 reen 2050

Equitable climate action for a healthy and resilient Richmond

Agenda

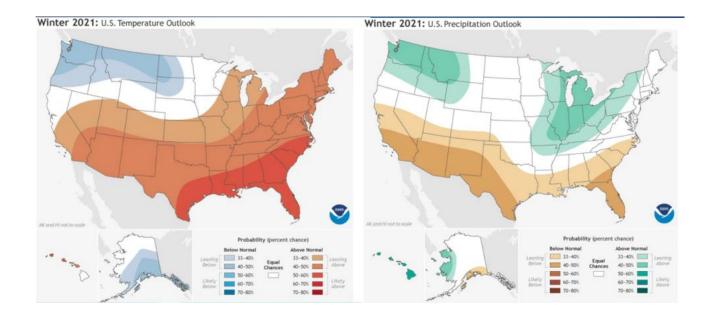
- I. Intro: Settling in & welcome
- II. Round-Robin: What have you been working on/thinking about related to RVAgreen 2050?
- III. RVAgreen 2050 Shared Accountability Framework
- IV. Conclusion: Wrap-up and next steps

Today's Objectives

- Discuss updates, questions, etc. related to the RVAgreen 2050 planning process
- Provide input on the draft RVAgreen 2050 Shared Accountability Framework: WHO is responsible for WHAT?
- Wrap up early!

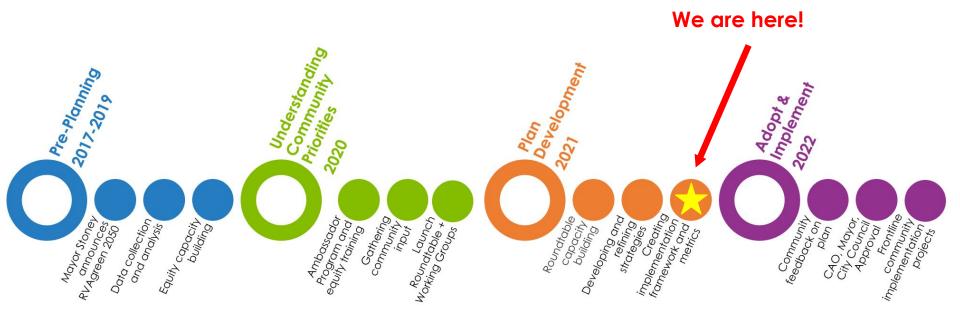
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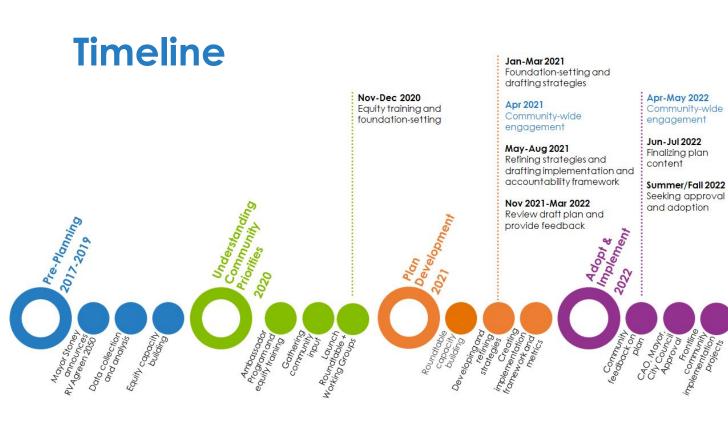
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RVAgreen 2050 Process Update

Process Overview





Proposed Roundtable Meetings:

- December
- February
- March
- June

Proposed Working Group meetings:

- November
- February
- June

RVAgreen 2050 Shared Accountability Framework

What is the Shared Accountability Framework?

- Helps answer the questions:
 - "Are we* on track toward equitable implementation of RVAgreen 2050?"
 - "Who is responsible for what as part of that implementation?"

*We = the entire Richmond community working towards the goals of RVAgreen 2050

REGULAR EVALUATION

- Outcomes and indicators
- Annual progress report
- Biannual greenhouse gas emissions inventories
- Climate Equity Index Project Tracker

INSTITUTIONALIZING SUSTAINABILITY IN CITY GOVERNMENT

- Employee orientation, training, and performance
- Climate ambassadors
- Internal operations and policies
- Climate considerations in budgeting and finance



TRUSTING RELATIONSHIPS

- Implementation teams
- Racial Equity & Environmental
 Justice Roundtable
- Annual convening of partners

TRANSPARENCY

- RVAgreen 2050 plan, goals and outcomes
- Community priorities
- Climate Equity Index
- Interactive website, newsletters and social media
 - Mayor's State of the City

CULTURE OF IMPROVEMENT

- Equity screening tool and Equitable
 Implementation Guide
- Annual community-wide survey
- Annual equity evaluation and lessons learned
- Plan update every five years 2030-2050

Office of Sustainability

Primary convener providing support to city and community leaders

- Plan development and adoption
- Champion sustainability within city government
- Convene and support Implementation
 Teams
- Convene and support Racial Equity & Environmental Justice Roundtable
- Track progress
- Conduct annual community survey
- Steward development and adoption of plan updates every 5 years

Implementation Teams

Groups of stakeholders from city departments, partner organizations, and community

- Implement strategies
- Use equity tools to guide implementation
- Provide updates to Office of Sustainability

Green City Commission

Planning Commission

- Review annual reporting
- Provide recommendations particularly in technical areas
- Adopt annual priorities to support implementation
- Review and approve plan and updates to the plan
- Review annual reporting

Mayor, Chief Administrative Officer, and City Council

What?

- Review and approve plan and updates to the plan
- Review annual reporting information
- Ensure there is dedicated and consistent city funding for implementation

Richmond Community

• Participate in planning, implementation, and update processes

Racial Equity & Environmental Justice Roundtable

10-member group* of residents paid for their time and lived experience expertise to center equity in implementation

*one Youth Council member will join once established

- Role:
 - Develop/update equitable implementation tools and help Implementation Teams (2 members per Pathway)
 - Work with Office of Sustainability on annual evaluation and updates
- Logistics:
 - Staggered 2-year terms
 - Monthly meetings (quarterly w/ Implementation Teams)
 - Living in or working with communities on the frontlines of climate change
 - Assist with bringing on new members
 - Receive \$500 every 6 months



Wrap-up and next steps

• **UP NEXT:** Roundtable/Working Group meetings in February

• SHARE YOUR UPDATES, EVENTS, AND RESOURCES

