

The City of
SAN DIEGO
CLIMATE ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting Minutes

MONDAY, November 10, 2025
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Civic Center Plaza Building
4th Floor Conference Room
1200 Third Avenue
San Diego, CA 92101

Board Members: Cindy Lin (D1), Josh Dean (D2), Mahayla Slackerelli (D3), Madison Swayne (D4), Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair, D6), Whitney Pearce (D7), Ronald Diaz, (D8), Dustin DeMatteo (D9), JD Weidman (Mayoral), Kelly Mills (Mayoral), Amy Ly (Mayoral), Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair, Mayoral), Cristina Marquez (Mayoral),

Staff Liaison: Andrew Martin, City Planning Department

Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call (12:00 p.m.)

Board Member	Seat	Attendance
Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair)	Mayoral	Present
Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair)	D6	Present
Cristina Marquez	Mayoral	Present
Amy Ly	Mayoral	Present
Kelly Mills	Mayoral	Present (arrived at 12:09 p.m.)
JD Weidman	Mayoral	Present
Vacant	Mayoral	X
Cindy Lin	D1	Absent
Josh Dean	D2	Present
Mahayla Slackerelli	D3	Present
Madison Swayne	D4	Absent
Vacant	D5	X
Whitney Pearce	D7	Present
Ronald Diaz	D8	Present
Dustin DeMatteo	D9	Present

Item 2: Land Acknowledgement

JD Weidman (member) read the Land Acknowledgement.

Item 3: Adoption/Modification of Agenda Order (Action)

Mahayla Slackerelli (member) moved to adopt the agenda without modification, seconded by Cristina Marquez (member); motion passed unanimously.

Item 4: Approval of Minutes (Action)

Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) moved to approve the minutes for the October 7, meeting without modification, seconded by JD Weidman (member); motion passed unanimously.

Item 5: Announcements (Information)**Staff**

- Andrew Martin (Staff Liaison) noted that staff continue to work on the Climate Action Implementation Plan update and that a stakeholder workshop is planned for December.
- Kelley Stanco, Deputy Director in the City Planning Department, updated the Board on organizational changes within the City Planning Department. Climate Policy is now part of the Climate, Preservation & Public Spaces Division, which also houses Climate Resilience & Conservation. Andrew Martin has been named the Chief Sustainability Officer. Julia Chase will continue as the Chief Resilience Officer.

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- Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair) welcomed the two newest members of the Board, Ronald Diaz (District 8) and Dustin DeMatteo (District 9).
- Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) shared that the City Council Environment Committee will meet this Thursday, November 13, at 1:00 p.m. The Committee will receive the 2025 Climate Action and Adaptation Implementation Update, which includes the Climate Action Plan, Climate Resilient SD, Biodiverse SD, the Climate Advisory Board and the Resiliency Advisory Board.

Item 6: Non-Agenda Public Comment

None.

Item 7: Plant-Based Climate Action Initiatives (Information)

Abby Crowley and Matthew Steinsaltz of the San Diego 350 Plant-Forward Team gave a presentation on San Diego 350 as an organization, as well as the various strategies and benefits of prioritizing plant-based food procurement. San Diego 350 requests that the City adopt a plant-based by default policy in the existing Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program for City-sponsored events and catered meetings and include similar provisions in agreements with nonprofit organizations with which the City is partnered.

Item 8: Supplemental Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency Requirements (Information)

Jonathan Klopp, Program Coordinator, presented on the cost-effective energy efficiency requirements proposed as part of the City's 2025 Building Code update and 2025 Land Development Code update.

Item 9: City Planning Department Work Program for Fiscal Year 2026 (Discussion)

Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) highlighted some of the City Planning Department's work plan items potentially relevant to the Board and how to access them via the City's website.

Item 10: Climate Advisory Board 2026 Work Plan (Discussion, Possible Action)

Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) led a discussion on assembling the Climate Advisory Board 2026 Work Plan and reviewed the 2025 work plan, presenting a list of items for consideration. The Board discussed completing a draft work plan in January and adopting it in February.

Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair) moved to form an ad hoc committee to develop the 2026 work plan, seconded by Whitney Pearce (member); motion passed unanimously.

Mahayla Slackerelli (member), JD Weidman (member), Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair) and Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) will serve on the ad hoc committee with Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) as the ad hoc committee Chair.

Item 11: Proposed Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair) reminded the Board that nominations for Board Chair and Vice Chair for 2026 are planned for the December meeting.

Kelly Lyndon (Vice Chair) suggested work plan development be included as part of the December meeting.

Other agenda items requested for future meetings:

- San Diego Regional Energy Network
- Update of the Street Design Manual
- Report on the Home Electrification Affordability Rebates and Technical Assistance (HEART) program
- Joint meeting with related Boards

Item 12: Adjournment

Tanisha-Jean Martin (Chair) adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.