An Update to the City’s Climate Action Plan
In 2015, Mayor Gloria authored the City of San Diego’s first Climate Action Plan (CAP) with a 100% renewable energy goal. The updated CAP that will be released in November sets even bolder greenhouse gas reduction targets with stronger implementation and increased accountability. Through this update, the City is committing to achieve net zero emissions by 2035, one of the most ambitious targets in the nation. Actions identified in the CAP prioritize the needs of underserved communities and were informed by input from residents and community stakeholders. For more information, visit sandiego.gov/CAP.

Here are the core tenets of the “Our Climate, Our Future” initiative:

Climate Equity
Ensuring every community is able to access and receive the benefits of climate action, “Our Climate, Our Future” takes intentional steps to ensure equity. The City developed a first-of-its-kind Climate Equity Index (CEI) through a community-driven process with local nonprofits and community-based organizations. The CEI measures relative access to opportunity and environmental, economic and health conditions among San Diego communities. The City also created a Climate Equity Fund that is dedicated to climate investments in traditionally underserved communities. Visit sandiego.gov/climateequity.

“Climate Resilient SD”
This is a plan to prepare our communities for the impacts of climate change, including extreme heat, wildfires, flooding, drought and sea-level rise. This plan lays the foundation for a greener, healthier and more prepared and enjoyable city, with a focus on frontline communities that will bear the largest burden of extreme weather in San Diego. Visit sandiego.gov/resiliency to learn more about climate resilience in San Diego.
Municipal Energy Strategy
The City’s municipal building portfolio and vehicle fleet present significant opportunities to lead by example, create high-quality local jobs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants from City operations. Mayor Gloria has committed the City to serving all municipal energy needs with 100% renewable electricity sources through San Diego Community Power. The City is currently finalizing a detailed Implementation Plan which will serve as a roadmap to achieving net-zero emissions at municipal facilities. For more information, visit sandiego.gov/MES.

Climate Advocacy
In order to seek new opportunities for partnerships and funding to implement our local plans and embrace San Diego’s role as a global leader on climate action, Mayor Gloria will be attending COP26 - the 2021 United Nations (UN) Climate Change Conference. COP26 will bring parties together from across the globe to exchange information and strategies to advance international climate goals such as the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

"Blueprint SD"
Through Blueprint SD, the City will amend its General Plan to create climate-friendly communities where San Diegans can easily and safely enjoy walking, biking or taking transit. This optimized community plan update process will also address our housing affordability crisis and promote smart housing production to meet the needs of current and future San Diegans. Learn more at sandiego.gov/blueprintsd.

Visit sandiego.gov/climatefuture to learn more about how these efforts work together for everyone’s benefit.