



Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 2-4pm

West Conference Room

City Council Ward 6

3202 E 1st Street

Tucson, AZ 85716

Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 by Chair Stormont

Present:

Dan Stormont (in person)

Representative, City Manager

Katy Brown (in person)

Representative, City Manager

Adriana Bachmann (remote, Teams)

Representative, Ward 2)

Camila Martins-Bekat (remote, Teams)

Representative, City Manager

Ojas Sanghi (remote, Teams)

Representative, Ward 3

Garrett Weaver (in person)

Representative, City Manager

Vanessa Gallego (remote, Teams)

Representative, Ward 1

Rocky Rivera (remote, Teams)

Representative, Ward 5

Staff Members and Guests:

Michael Catanzaro

Energy Manager, Environmental & General Services
Department (EGSD)

Fatima Luna

Chief Resilience Officer

Absent:

None

2) Approval of previously unapproved minutes for commission and subcommittees from 2024 and 2025

Notification was received of unsubmitted minutes for past sub-committee and Commission meetings.

- Full Commission minutes for 11-22-2024, 4-17-2025, 8-27-2025, and 11-12-25 were approved by consent as submitted.
- Full Commission minutes for 10-08-2025 were approved by consent as amended.
- Franchise subcommittee minutes for nine meetings during April and May, 2025, were approved by consent as submitted. Entire subcommittee present.
- Data Center Water subcommittee minutes for three meetings during September and October, 2025 were approved by consent as submitted. Majority of subcommittee

- present.
- Minutes still outstanding will be submitted for discussion and approval at the February meeting.
 - Acknowledged that the Community Engagement and Communication subcommittee will submit minutes for five meetings.
 - Acknowledged that the Executive subcommittee will submit minutes for twelve meetings with LARS as needed.
 - Acknowledged that the Data Center Policy, Data Center Water, and Stormwater Infrastructure subcommittees will submit minutes and LARS as needed.
 - Approved minutes and LARS reports need to be submitted to Boards and Commissions. This task will be confirmed as complete or incomplete at the February meeting.

Discussion:

- Decision to forgo future Executive Committee meetings
- Clarification to all CCES Board members: All Commission and sub-committee meetings need to submit minutes for approval with follow-up submission to Boards and Commissions of approved minutes and Legal Action Reports. LARs do not need full commission or subcommittee approval before sending.
- Recommendation that it is best policy for subcommittees to include an agenda item to approve minutes within their meetings as done in the larger meetings. For a last meeting, minutes could be approved at the end of the meeting.

3) Report from the Chair

CCES updated bylaws due in March - will be on Agenda for February - Must be posted in hard copy before acceptance.

CCES Bylaws have a conflict in 'quorum' rules - This is also a conflict in the Municipal Code - Legal number versus appointed number. CCES has 11 legal number, but not all have been appointed so can be hard to make quorum, Ward 1 Commissioner Gallego's term ends in February - CCES will have 4 vacant positions possible on the Commission at that time

Encouragement to all commissioners to meet with their appointing party.

Commissioner Stormont will be meeting with Council members and City Manager to discuss the Commission and will invite the appointed member.

Reminder of the importance of open meeting law compliance. Submit prior announcement of meetings with agenda to Boards and Commissions, maintain meeting minutes, and submit approved minutes and LARs to maintain good public meeting compliance. Send info and requests through City staff Catanzaro and Reese. Do not send emails to groups of Commissioners or reply all to everyone on an email.

Review of CCES Charter and our need to focus work in committees and meetings. Relate to Plan Tucson. Focus on how we can help. Since a commission can not be

flexible or fast (following meeting rules), how do we be useful, and get info they need in a timely manner?

Discussion about the Commission's reports and recommendations, how they are disseminated and stored and the need to establish good communication with the City.

Local action is valuable at this time

Recap of events in progress:

- City and County - changes to Large Water User ordinance and public input soon
- City working on zoning changes for data centers through tech advisory committee - public input soon
- County revising their zoning code for heavy industrial- review and public input soon
- Marana approved zoning for data center - maybe public referendum
- Arizona's State of the State report recommended items related to water.

4) Climate Action Hub Feedback discussion and vote for approval

Commissioner Bachmann submitted for approval the compiled feedback on the Climate Action Hub requested by Chief Resilience Officer Luna.

The document has a summary introduction and includes the feedback notes from contributors

It was moved by Commissioner Brown to accept, Seconded by Commissioner Stormont, approved by voice to submit to CRO Luna.

5) Data Center Report discussion

Next step - Each data center subcommittee - General, Energy, and Water- is requested to submit their portion of the report to EGSD Catanzaro one week before the next CCES meeting. Chair Stormont will compile the reports for approval as a complete document to submit to the Mayor and Council.

CRO Luna has offered a location in the Climate Action newsletter for CCES each month. This task was taken on by Communication and Engagement Subcommittee

6) Annual Report discussion

Due around the 15th of March - Chair Stormont will compile a draft for review and approval in February.

7) Subcommittee reports

Already covered above - no new reports

8) Energy Manager report

The City has added 9 MW of solar across projects in the past year. - CAVSARP is the largest behind the meter project in the State. This brings the City to a total of 27MW solar power online

The City contracted and completed the Municipalization study.

The TEP City Franchise Agreement is still in progress. The Energy Collaboration Agreement is still in progress. The goal is to have them finalized and out to the public for review and comment in January or early February so that the FA can be placed on the ballot in November.

The timeline is governed by FA requirements for public comment before City approval for November ballot deadlines. The FA needs this timeline, the ECA does not, but it is acknowledged that the two are important components together. Attempt is to release at the same time.

9) Climate Resilience report

CRO Luna reported that the stakeholders meeting in November was positive.

The City is at 85% completion up from 74% from the previous year on tasks and Key Performance Indicators for the climate and resilience related indicators. This reporting helps to focus future actions.

CRO Luna is meeting with departments to find status and needs.

Focus will be on what is behind and is controllable.

CRO Luna will give a report update to Mayor and Council on Jan 21st.

Heat Summit Feb 7 - Request to register, volunteer, and offer suggestions for tabling.

The Heat Summit will offer a full day of thoughtful agenda based upon community input
Website up soon.

Suggestion that CCES have a table at the Heat Summit - this task was taken on by
Communication and Engagement Subcommittee

10) Call to audience

None

11) Future agenda items and rescheduling February meeting

Data center report - approval needed

Annual Report - approval needed

February 2026 meeting - need to reschedule - Feb 18th suggested - 1:30-3:30 - check on location

Standing task - Communication subcommittee work with Fatima on the newsletter submittals

12) Adjournment

Called at 3:52pm by Commission Chair Stormont

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