

CAC Roundtable

Climate Updates and Bridging the
Implementation Gap



Climate Action Plan 1.0

- **Emissions & Energy Baseline:** Tracks energy use & GHG sources to identify needed changes.
- **GHG Target & Timeframe:** Sets reduction goals; requires Council approval.
- **“Big Moves” & Major Actions:** Defines transformative changes and cross-department mandates.
- **Action Lists Without Prioritization:** Often lacking...
 - Clear priorities
 - Jurisdiction clarity (municipal vs external)
 - Systemic barrier identification
 - Responsible external partners
- **Limited Progress Definition:** Unclear expectations limit reporting.
- **Systemic Change Gaps:** Unclear municipal vs provincial/federal control.
- **Adaptation/Resilience Plan 1.0:** Primarily identifies climate risks & vulnerabilities.



Challenges that Climate Plan 2.0 Aims to Address



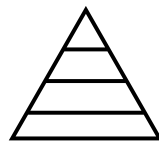
Improved
Action
Prioritization



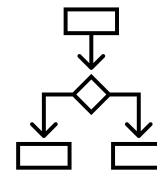
Transparent
Prioritization
Rationale



Clear Progress
Expectations



Addressing Actions
Outside of
Municipal Influence



Integration of Climate
Into Municipal
Decision-Making



Climate Plan 2.0 Key Updates

- **Updated GHG Inventory:** Document methodology changes for consistency.
- **Adaptation/Resilience 2.0:** Focus on risk mitigation & integration into policies.
- **Mitigation 2.0:** Prioritized near-term actions with progress measures & timelines.
- **Climate Integration & Accountability:** Training, cross-department roles, senior management oversight, aligned with budgets & Council decisions.
- **Strategic Alignment:** Links to energy, jobs, resilience; uses metrics where possible.
- **Standardization:** Consistent formats improve understanding & Council support.
- **Implementation Options:** High/medium/low pathways with resource needs.
- **Public Engagement:** Prioritize actions within budget constraints; guide expectations.
- **Training:** Supports accountability and Council approval.
- **Procurement:** Embed climate criteria & track influence in RFPs.



Gaps and Barriers

- ➔ **Improving Progress Reporting:** Identify the most challenging reporting requirements from Climate Plan 1.0 and determine how to strengthen mandates for data from other departments to improve reporting clarity and consistency
- ➔ **Prioritization Process:** Identify key considerations for prioritization.
- Scaling Beyond Pilot Projects:** Identify strategies in Plan 2.0 to shift from pilots to mainstreamed, scaled-up implementation.
- Capital Investment Barriers:** Address the lack of capital investments for actions fully within municipal control (e.g., net-zero buildings) and identify mechanisms within Plan 2.0 to overcome this.
- Funding Requirements and Opportunities:** Explore whether to include funding sources and budget needs within the plan, and determine how to present this without creating challenges related to plan longevity or frequent changes.