

**City of Toronto**  
**Climate Advisory Group (CAG)**  
**Meeting #1: November 8, 2022**  
**12:30 - 2:30 pm**



Agenda item	
<b>1. Welcome and Opening</b>	
Discussion/Notes	Outcomes/Next Steps
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introduction to Destiny Laldeo, Groundswell facilitator</li> <li>● Recap of orientation &amp; review of questions asked</li> <li>● Review of CAG equity audit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The group will talk more about equity at the next orientation</li> </ul>
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<b>2. Meeting Overview</b>	
Discussion/Notes	Outcomes/Next Steps
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review examples of types of input &amp; advice sought from CAG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● CAG feedback will be incorporated into staff report to city council</li> <li>● Staff will report back to CAG on how input was utilized</li> <li>● Staff will share where to find meeting notes from other advisory groups</li> </ul>
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<b>3. Relationship Building Activity</b>	
<p><b>Description:</b> CAG splits into groups of 3 to share what they're working on</p>	

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**4. TransformTO Net Zero Strategy and Implementation Plan: Deep Dive**

**Description:** Group splits into small groups and discuss about each sector:

1. What are your key takeaways about this sector so far based on the readings & staff videos?
2. What would you like to learn more about?
3. Based on your work in this sector, what challenges or opportunities do you see for the implementation of the identified actions?

**Purpose:** Get to know the TransformTO Net Zero Strategy and the Implementation Plan

Discussion/Notes	Outcomes/Next Steps
<p>Engagement &amp; Equitable Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Many people still don't know about TransformTO or what they can do about climate change</li><li>• Would like to amplify engagement</li><li>• Important work that underpins everything else</li></ul> <p>Buildings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interconnected with all other sectors, many different stakeholders</li><li>• Ongoing jurisdictional questions, regulatory and financial challenges</li><li>• Need to scale up workforce</li></ul> <p>Buildings &amp; Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lacking citizen education and available workforce</li><li>• Takes a lot of capital investment, then cost efficient - but who will pay now?</li><li>• Need to create ways we all benefit fairly with impact</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CAG members gained a better understanding of actions within the TransformTO Net Zero Strategy, including actions in other sectors that they are not familiar with.</li><li>• Staff will continue providing information and updates on TransformTO implementation to CAG members</li></ul>

- Change benchmarking and measurement so it's accessible and scalable
- No one stop shop for retrofits, programs, design etc.

#### Energy

- How will the city interface with Province increasing gas plants?
- Shift onus away from individual responsibility
- Need to develop more energy efficiency programs for homeowners and tenants
- Still need more info/ details

#### Natural Systems

- Trees are critical
- How is green space equitable?
- What can the city & citizens do to improve biodiversity?
- In conflict with development

#### Waste

- Need to shift organics away from landfill
- Partnering with community based orgs to promote compost, gardening etc
- How might we reduce waste on construction sites?

#### Transportation

- Need practical & equitable solutions

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Closing and Next Steps	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda item “How we’ll work and make decisions together” will be addressed at the following meeting</li> <li>• CAG to complete follow-up survey</li> <li>• Meeting summary and video shared with group</li> </ul>

**Present:**

Alienor Rougeot

Andria Babbington

Barnabe Geis

Chris Ballard

Christian Cianfrone

Darnel Harris

Derek May

Jack Zhou

Jeff Ranson

John Robinson

Joseph Ogilvie

Joyce McLean

Julius Lindsay

Kristen Evers

Lidia Ferreira

Lyn Adamson

Maria Constantinou

Muzhi (Maggie) Chang

Neil MacNeil

Rosemarie Powell

Tinashe Kanengoni

Zamani Ra

**Regrets:**

Colin Guldimann

Craig Ruttan

Marine Sanchez

Sarah Buchanan

**Guests/Delegates:**

None

**City of Toronto Staff:**

Andrew Plunkett

Cecilia Fernandez

Sophie Plottel

**Facilitators (Groundswell Projects):**

Destiny Laldeo

Olga Semenovych

Ruth Silver