



North Texas Regional Integration of Sustainability Efforts (RISE) Coalition

July 27, 2020



RISE Coalition Website: <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/development-excellence/rise-coalition>

RISE Coalition Committee Page: <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/regional-integration-of-sustainability-efforts-ris>

July 27 Meeting Agenda

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
- 2) Meeting Summary

Action Items

- 3) North Texas RISE Coalition Officer Election
- 4) FY2021 Work Program

Presentation

- 5) Global Covenant of Mayors (Ryan Glancy)

Discussion

- 6) Leveraging COVID-19 Data to Support Sustainability Initiatives
- 7) Update on Regional Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Funding Opportunities
- 8) Administrative Items

Information Items

- 9) NCTCOG Updates

Other Business

- 10) Future Agenda Items
- 11) Roundtable
- 12) Next Meeting Date

Committee Website and Materials:

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Virtual Meeting Housekeeping Items:

- Please mute your line when not speaking
- Discussion items:
 - Use chat box, we have someone monitoring the chat box
 - Unmute yourself and then mute again to speak
- Public comment period under **Agenda Item 11**
- Meeting materials are posted on the RISE Coalition Committee website:
<https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/regional-integration-of-sustainability-efforts-ris>

2. Meeting Summary

Review and Approve April 13, 2020 Meeting Summary

https://www.nctcog.org/nctcg/media/Environment-and-Development/Documents/DevEx/Stewardship%20Forum/DRAFT-Summary_4-13-20_edit.pdf?ext=.pdf

3. North Texas RISE Coalition Officer Election

Current Nominations for Chair:

- Pharr Andrews, City of Dallas

Current Nominations for Vice-Chair:

- Katherine Barnett, City of Denton

A. Structure & Representation

The Coalition structure shall consist of the following makeup:

1. **Voting Members:** Voting members must be members of NCTCOG and be paying participants of the RISE Coalition.

C. Appointment Process/Terms of Office

Each primary member organization's representative (representative) shall serve a two-year term, after the initial Coalition start-up year (Fiscal Year 2020). The term of appointment for each representative of the Coalition shall begin October 1 and shall be through September 30 of the second fiscal year. A member who is up for reappointment can be re-elected to subsequent terms.

The officers of the Coalition shall be Chair and Vice-Chair. They shall serve a two-year term. The Vice-Chair will ascend to the Chair position once the two-year term is completed. NCTCOG staff will solicit nominations for the open vice-chair position before the last meeting of the fiscal year. Voting members are eligible to serve as officers. Before the last meeting of the fiscal year, Coalition members will vote according to Section 3.

F. Officer Duties

- i. The Chair presides at meetings of the Coalition. The Chair and NCTCOG staff will solicit input from the Coalition and will develop agendas for the meetings.
- ii. In case of a tie during a vote, the Chair will be deemed to have the authority to break the tie.
- iii. The Vice-Chair performs the Chair's duties in his/her absence.
- iv. If the Chair and Vice-Chair and their designated alternates are absent or unable to perform their duties; upon mutual agreement, Coalition representatives present will elect a Chair Pro-Temp for that meeting.

4. FY 2021 Work Program (Action)

- **Draft FY2021 Work Program**

- Sent out prior to meeting

- **Discussion**

- Budget

- *Current Commitments for FY2021 - \$12,575.00*

- Dallas
- Denton
- Fort Worth
- Lewisville
- Plano

- Activities

- **Approval**

5. Global Covenant of Mayors - Presentation

Ryan Glancy

International Urban Cooperation Technical Coordinator

Discussion

6. Leveraging COVID-19 Data to Support Sustainability Initiatives

Vivek Thimmavajjala, NCTCOG

Discussion

7. Update on Regional Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Funding Opportunities

Funding Submissions to support Regional GHG Inventory:

- 1) Meadows Foundation – Proposal submitted July 7, 2020
- 2) USDN – Proposal pending finalization until new RFP is released
- 3) Tentative award from an organization – NCTCOG will provide update as soon as formal commitments and acceptance process is complete.

Other Updates

8. Administrative Items



MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Membership roster includes four paying cities to date; will be updated with new members in FY2021 and posted to the Committee website.



MEMBERSHIP EXPANSION

NCTCOG sent two emails requesting membership commitments. Latest one sent in early July. Another round in September. New FY begins 10/1.



NEW LOGO

Discussion on remaining questions from members on logo?

- *Currently have two versions*
- *Does group want only one?*



9. NCTCOG Updates (if time permits)

Energy Initiatives:

- NCTCOG SolSmart Regional Designation – BRONZE - <https://www.nctcog.org/trans/about/news/current-press-releases/nctcog-receives-regional-solsmart-designation-for>
- Signing new two-year contract with State Energy Conservation Office to focus on:
 - Advancing Local Government Actions in Energy Management (Adoption of PACE, SolSmart Designation, Energy Code Adoption, Resilience (Hazard Mitigation Planning), and Food Waste to Energy and Renewable Natural Gas)
 - Enhancing Local Government Energy Reporting
 - Collecting Data and Engaging Utilities (Electricity, Water, and Gas)

Waste Initiatives:

- Sign up for First Regional Clean Up Competition - www.communitycleanupchallenge.com
- EPA Trash Free Texas Award – Project kick-off in September
 - Plastic Reduction – Working with restaurants
 - Outreach Strategies – Plogging events, regional Mayor’s competition, etc.
 - Data Collection – working on a statewide database for trash collection data
- EPA Anaerobic Digestion for Communities Grant Proposal – Submitted early July 2020 to conduct Regional Food Waste to Fleet Fuel Feasibility Study
- [Know What to Throw Campaign](#) – Still running
- Initiating Western Area Regional Landfill Capacity Study
- Conducting third regional waste characterization study in October 2020

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Air Quality Initiatives

Water Initiatives:

- Water for North Texas Resource Library – Clearinghouse located on Conserve North Texas where local governments can access information and outreach materials, including social media toolkits, about water topics in our region. It is scheduled to be made available to the public by early September 2020.
- Submitted abridged application to Texas Water Development Board for large Planning for Transportation and Stormwater Integration project in western portion of region

10. Future Agenda Items

11. Roundtable

What is happening in *your* community?

Opportunity for public to participate in conversation and ask questions.

12. Next Meeting Date

Monday, October 5, 2020

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Zoom Meeting

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Thank you!