



CAC Declaration Progress Reporting and Potential Regionalization of Corporate Knights Sustainability Cities

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Workshop





- 10:00 am Welcome & Introductions
- 10:10 am Declaration Updates Presentation by Clean Air Partnership
- 11:00 am Nadia and Ralph, Corporate Knights, Sustainability Cities Index



1. Clean Air Council Declaration History
2. Actions in the Present Declaration
3. Moving Forward
4. Article 4 Progress Report Updates
 - Voting and prioritization via Menti
 - Process of Updating
5. Next Steps



1. What is it?

- Started as a yearly Workplan (updated annually). It did not include a progress update
- Now serves as a Council term workplan
- Consists of
 - Article 1 Statement of common understanding & commitment
 - Article 2 Members
 - Article 3 Actions
 - Article 4 Progress Report

2. How is developed?

- Consultation to define actions – survey on high, medium and low priorities
- Identify the commonality of high-priority actions
- Those get slated for joint implementation
- Keep medium and low priorities on the radar, but fewer resources allocated to the advancement of those actions



- Where you aware of the CAC Declaration?
- Have you used the Declaration in the past?
- If so, how has the Declaration been of value to you?





1. Demonstrating Corporate Leadership in Sustainable Municipal Operations through continuous improvement and progress reporting related to the implementation of municipal energy conservation, green procurement, green fleets, community energy, and climate mitigation and resilience plans.
2. Advancing Financial Mechanisms for a Resilient Low Carbon Economy as they relate to expanding and scaling up proven mechanisms and leveraging intergovernmental and private sector opportunities.
3. Accelerating the Transition to Low Carbon New and Existing Buildings through the uptake and transfer of green development standards, energy efficiency retrofits, air quality improvements, resilient building measures, and building energy disclosure and labelling.



4. Strengthening municipal capacity to consider and develop Value Propositions and Business Cases for Green Infrastructure.
5. Maximizing Reductions in Air Pollution and Carbon Emissions from Transportation through the increased uptake of electric vehicles, implementation of active transportation/Complete Streets/Vision Zero plans, and integrated transportation and land use planning.
6. Incorporating Climate Change Mitigation and Resilience Considerations into Municipal Decision Making.
7. Working Collaboratively with a Diverse Stakeholder Base to increase the understanding of the links between climate action, public health, equity, community livability and financial sustainability.



1. Climate Accountability

- ☐ Climate Emergency Declaration
- ☐ Climate Implications Section in Council Reports
- ☐ Climate Lens Requirements
- ☐ Carbon Budgeting
- ☐ Climate integration into financial statements (TCFD Disclosure, ISO Standard, etc.)

Progress Report Updates



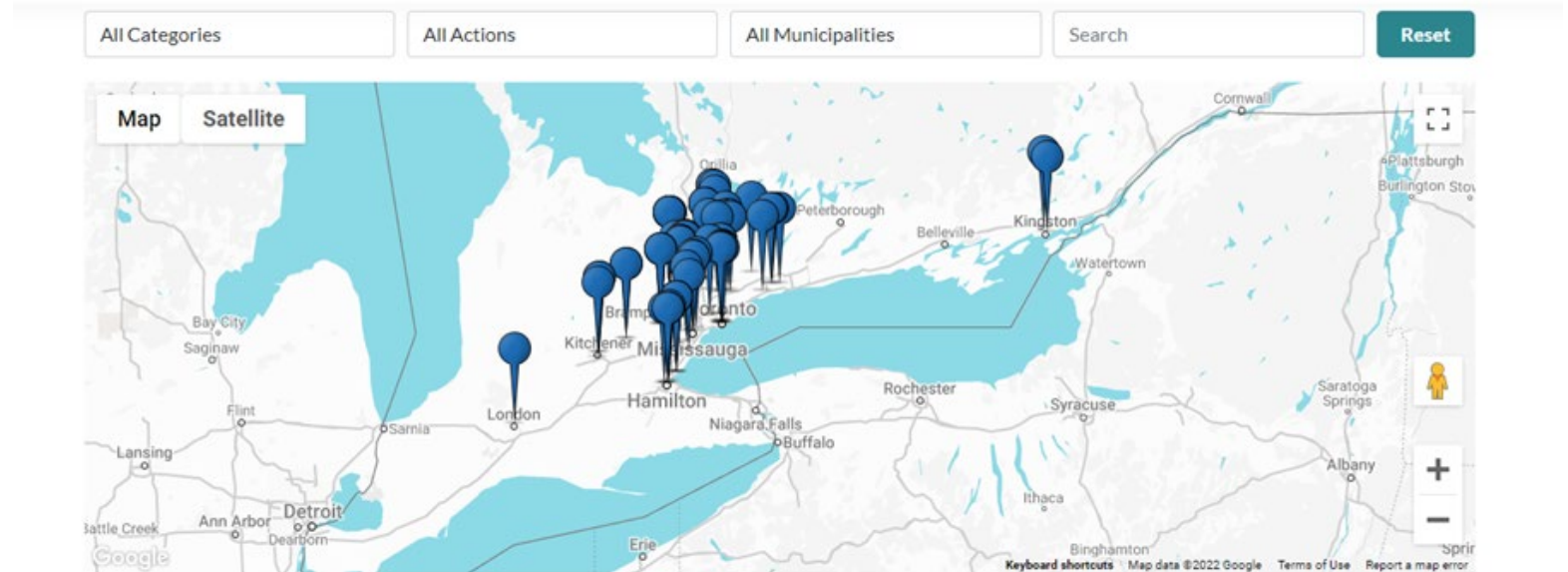
ARTICLE 4 - PROGRESS REPORT ON PAST CLEAN AIR COUNCIL DECLARATION ACTIONS

AS OF FEBRUARY 2020

MUNICIPALITY	DECLARATION ACTIONS																	
	Active Transportation	Green Development Policies - Corporate	Green Development Policies - Community	Community GHG reduction targets	Community Energy Plans	Corporate Energy Plans	Corporate Green Energy Production	Community Climate Action Plan	Green House Gas Emissions Reduction Targets	Urban Forest Plans	Urban Information Plans	Community Guiding Policies	Urban Agriculture Plans	Local Food Procurement Policies	Climate Change Adaptation Plans - Corporate	Climate Change Adaptation Plans - Community	Green Infrastructure Plan	Community Climate Change Action/Environment Funds
Ajax	Approved	Approved	In Development	Approved		Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved			Approved	Approved	Approved	
Aurora	In Development		In Development	In Development	In Development	Approved	Approved		In Development		Approved					In Development	In Development	
Brampton	Approved		Approved	Approved	In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved	In Development	In Development		Approved	In Development				Approved**	
Burlington	Approved**	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved			In Development		Approved**	
Caledon	Approved	Approved**	Approved	Approved**	In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved		In Development		Approved	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development
Clarington	In Development					Approved			In Development			Approved					In Development	
Durham Region	Approved	In Development		Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	In Development						Approved	Approved		Approved
Guelph	Approved			Approved	Approved	Approved				Approved	Approved	Approved		Approved	In Development	In Development		
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Hamilton	Approved			Approved	In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved		In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved	In Development	In Development	In Development	Approved	
King	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development	Approved	Approved	In Development						In Development	In Development	In Development	
London	Approved	Approved	In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved		In Development	In Development	In Development	Approved
Markham	Approved	Approved	In Development	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved		Approved	Approved	Approved					Approved
Mississauga	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved		Approved		Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	In Development		Approved	Approved	In Development	
Newmarket	Approved			Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	Approved	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development	In Development		In Development



- Shows the momentum of municipal climate action implementation
- Identifies best practices
- Helps municipalities to garner credit and visibility for good work done
- CAC municipalities' submissions of climate mitigation actions are accepted on an ongoing basis



ActiveTO Bike lanes



Ajax Active Transportation Upgrades



Brampton Active Transportation Upgrades



Brampton Transit Electric Buses

[Link to the Atlas](#)



Method of Updating the Report:

1. Voting and prioritization
 2. Gathered information on selected actions by:
 - Desktop research by CAP
 - Sending a word file that you can complete internally
- And/or
- Having a call with us to complete it together

Clean Air Council Declaration Progress Report – 2023	Questions we are seeking information on...	Information we have been able to find on our own	Comments
Active Transportation			
Active Transportation Plans	Link to AT Plan. Date of council approval. The time frame of the Plan.		
AT Implementation Status	A separate plan for analysis of AT plan implementation indicators/progress		
Vision Zero Plan	Documentation of Council Commitment. Action Plan for VZ implementation. Projects being advanced.		
Cycling Hubs	Is there a cycling hub that is supported by the municipality?		
Complete Street Plan/Framework Complete Streets for Canada	Seeking info on a framework that sets out a design tree for which streets will be prioritized for Complete Streets. It's an Implementation Framework.		
Complete Streets Installation/ Retrofits	Examples of Complete Streets that have been completed in the last 4 years. Looking for examples of installed complete streets to highlight in atlas.		



Climate Accountability

1. **Climate Emergency Declaration/Statement** - Has the council passed one? What was the direction that came from it? (CAP, Climate Lens, Net zero target, etc.) What did the municipality commit to doing?
2. **Climate Implications Section in Council Reports** - Does the municipality have a standard place for Climate Implications in Council reports? If yes, how is it completed (climate staff, report staff, combination?) If not, do you have in place a commitment to advance one?
3. **Carbon Budgeting** - Has there been a council commitment re carbon budgeting? Has a corporate or/and a community one been advanced? At what stage is the municipality at (council commitment, initial discussions with finance, in the process of developing a carbon budget, tracking the carbon budget, embedded in financial statements?)



Climate Accountability (cont.)

4. **Climate Integration into Financial Statements** (TCFD Disclosure, ISO Standard, etc.)- Has the municipality incorporated TCFD into financial statements? Is the municipality in the process of advancing a TCFD statement? What is the statement? What are the next steps for TCFD in the coming year(s)?
5. **Climate Integration into OP** - Has climate change been integrated into OP in the last 3 years? If so, what approach was used? Is it in a process stage? What is the deadline to be presented to the council? Are you willing to share how your climate change integration occurred and/or the approach with other municipalities? What is your feeling re the CC integration, is it strong/weak/no opinion/not sure?



Corporate Climate Plans

1. **Emissions Reduction Plan** - When was the most recent update to the Plan? Link to Action/Energy/ Plan
2. **Progress Report on Emissions Reductions** - How often is a progress report to Council required?
3. **Net Zero Emission Plans/Commitments for Municipal Facilities** - What commitment has the council made? What stage is the municipality at re roadmap/plan for advancing net zero? Is there a costing study? Is there a corporate GDS for new buildings (ex. net zero emissions new builds). Is there a standard for existing buildings?



Corporate Climate Plans (cont.)

4. **Municipal EV fleet** - Do you have a fleet electrification strategy/plan (Sustainable Fleet Plan (last 3 years)? If it is in development estimated time frame for going in front of the council. Do you have a standard for all new passenger vehicles or small equipment that must be electric?
5. **Development of Vulnerability Assessments** - What vulnerability assessments have been undertaken, processes, etc.? Can they be shared across the CAC network, or are they only internal?
6. **Climate Impact Costing Study** – Do you conducted any studies on the cost of doing nothing? BAU analysis. Climate integrated into Asset Management Plans.



MENTI voting





MENTI: How supportive are you of moving from broad strategic directions toward what implementation looks like?

1. Demonstrating Corporate Leadership in Sustainable Municipal Operations through continuous improvement and progress reporting related to the implementation of municipal energy conservation, green procurement, green fleets, community energy, and climate mitigation and resilience plans.



1. Alignment of Municipal Operations with Climate Commitment

- ☐ Corporate Net Zero Plan
- ☐ Fleet Electrification Plan
- ☐ Corporate Net Zero Emission Buildings Standards (New Builds/Existing Buildings)
- ☐ Revolving Fund/Net Zero Costing Plan/Business Model for Net Zero Plan



1. Desktop research by CAP on actions and existing links
2. Sending a word file that you can complete internally and/or having a call with us to complete it together – Deadline December
3. New Declaration launch - January 2023