

City of Alexandria, Virginia

Creation of Office of Climate Action

Presentation to City Council
September 28, 2022



Background



City Council Climate Action Efforts in 2022:

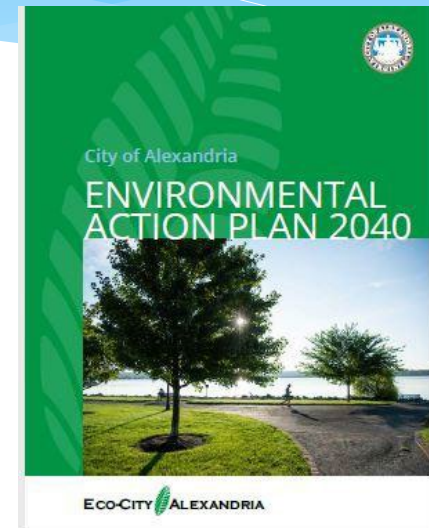
- The identification of environmental justice as a guiding principle, a lens through which each City Council priority would be viewed.
- The approval of \$1.85 million in general fund contingency reserves for climate change initiatives.

Purpose of Office of Climate Action



Reducing City-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that achieve our climate targets and resiliency strategies that protect the community from the impacts of climate change in a just and equitable manner through:

1. A Systems Approach
2. Engaging and Empowering the Community
3. Advocating and Mobilizing Action beyond the Community



RESOLUTION NO. 2958

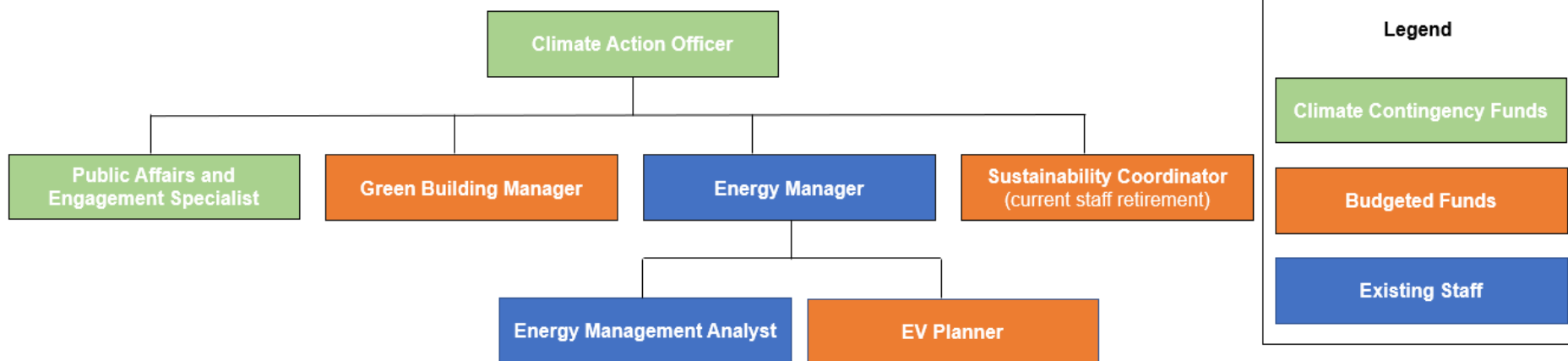
WHEREAS, City Council wishes to establish an Energy and Climate Change Task Force, and

WHEREAS, the Energy and Climate Change Task Force will conduct specified tasks outlined in this resolution.



Composition

- Centralized within the City Manager's Office
- 2 new staff positions
 - Climate Action Officer
 - Public Affairs and Engagement Specialist (EPC Recommendation #8)



Focus Areas



#	Focus Area	EAP Chapter Reference
1	Incentives	2.3.5, 3.1.8+
2	Environmental Justice	Various
3	Education, Capacity Building and Outreach	2.3.2; 10.1.1 – 10.1.3;
4	Disclosure, Monitoring and Recognition	2.3.4; 10.1.4; 10.1.5; 10.2
5	Demonstration	1, 2, 3, and 7
6	Policies, Procedures and Advocacy	Various
