

UTSA The University of Texas at San Antonio **Sustainability Council**

The second 2024-2025 Sustainability Council meeting October 17, 2024.

In attendance:

Antonio Alvarez

Council member

Lani May

Council chair

Rebecca Ornelas

Anna Morton

Council member

Aydan Villarreal

Council member

Angela Lombard

Council member

1. Review of Sept meeting minutes.
2. Motion to approve Aydan Villarreal, Seconded Antonio Alvarez. All in favor: Carried, no descending vote.
3. Review of Sustainability Council agenda and objectives.
4. Discussion with Dr. Lombard on C-40 Initiative and Library grant for scanning materials and circularity.
5. Carbon Reduction Goals review and discussion. Will be presented for approval at the University Leadership Council. We expect approval and anticipate a need to present to the Staff and Faculty Senates in March.
6. Waste reduction discussion as a means to achieve carbon reduction goal.
 - a. Question: Dr. Lombardi: Have we considered Urban Heat Island response such as trees, cool pavement, or shade structures?
 - i. We discussed the potential of assessments to bring cooling centers and pocket parks to the downtown corridor.
 - b. Question Dr. Lombardi: What strategies will we use to achieve reduction goals.
 - i. We discussed grants as a funding mechanism.
 - c. Question Dr. Lombardi: do we have an action item for her.
 - i. Not at this time
7. We discussed the C40 initiative.
8. Meeting adjourned

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