

# **RESILIENCY ADVISORY BOARD**

### **Compilation of Board Member Recommendations**

## Primary Goal, Objective No. 2

The 2025 Resiliency Advisory Board (RAB) Work Plan (Work Plan) establishes a program for the RAB to carry out its duties and functions during calendar year 2025. The Work Plan focuses the Board's efforts on three distinct goals, including a *Primary Goal* to advise the Mayor and City Council on climate resilience and biodiversity matters associated with various City plans, policies, regulations, and initiatives.

The Second Objective of the Primary Goal is to evaluate progress on existing plans and projects. For the RAB's March 20, 2025 regular meeting the action item focused on is to implement the first Action Item of the Second Objective: Identify up to three major resiliency- and/or biodiversity-related City plans and projects.

Table A lists items planned to come before the RAB for its recommendation in 2025. Reviewing these plans is a key responsibility of the RAB.

Table B contains: (1) a comprehensive list of existing plans and projects which City Staff identified as directly relevant to the Second Objective; (2) Board members' individual selections of up to three plans or projects, accompanied by; (3) rationales for selecting those plans or projects. The plans and projects are listed in descending order, based on the number of recommendations for each. This compilation aims to support a focused, open, and productive discussion of this item and to engage public participation.

#### TABLE A: PLAN/PROJECT

Coastal Resilience Master Plan Mission Bay 10 Year Plan PEIR Natural Resource Management Plans Brush Management

#### TABLE B: PLAN/PROJECT RECS SUPPORTING POINTS

Climate Action Plan - Strategy 5	<ul> <li>Energy resilience related work - including microgrid projects and FEMA grant. Energy being a crucial component of our future resilience, it is critical that the Board be aware of the many forward-looking energy actions taken by the City. This includes the relationship between the City and San Diego Community Power, the Municipal Energy Strategy and Zero Emissions Vehicle plan, and the multi-year discussion regarding the electric utility franchise agreement and its implications for the City's ability to actively implement local generation and microgrids (Morgan)</li> <li>We should focus on microgrids and energy resiliency because these projects are in progress now, and we can have influence. Energy is so important to our survival and ability to sustain disasters. The City can use our guidance and should consider input when deciding</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>which infrastructure is considered "critical" and in which areas/facilities should be "cooling centers" and emergency hubs when there are power outages (Garrett)</li> <li>City of SD's approach to climate action that includes several initiatives to reach net zero by 2035. This is a high-profile plan and has several components that we should take a look at (Gong)</li> <li>(Meyer)</li> </ul>
Biodiverse SD (including MSCP)	4	<ul> <li>I consider Biodiversity to be a critical 'growth area' for my work on the Board. First, to better understand the steps taken to protect existing biodiversity, and then to advocate/ support additional steps to enhance and restore/ rewild biodiversity where it has been reduced/ lost. San Diego is renowned for its biodiversity; keeping this treasure intact is a huge priority, for all of our kids and grandkids to see our species in-situ, as well as for the tourist- and commercial benefits the City derives from visitors drawn by this treasure (Morgan)</li> <li>[This would include] how is it adaptable for climate change, hazards, and brush management needs (Lardy)</li> <li>Going off our goal for wildfires, [] this plan will have some mention of it (or should); we should review to make sure it aligns with our goals (Gong)</li> <li>(Meyer)</li> </ul>
<u>Climate Resilient SD</u>	3	<ul> <li>Most relevant item, as it defines the RAB's goals and initiatives on a broad level (Garrett)</li> <li>This is the Plan most central to the RAB's work. We should all be familiar with its commitments and progress and focus a good portion of RAB time and attention on guiding future iterations of its plans (Morgan)</li> <li>The plan is integral to the City's effort to incorporate resiliency across all relevant functions and operations. As such, the RAB should prioritize reviewing this doc and providing input/feedback for consideration in future plan iterations. Given the RAB's formation timing post plan approval, the RAB should work expeditiously, in coordination with City staff, to formulate and submit an input letter to the Mayor and Council (Clampett)</li> </ul>
<u>Pure Water</u>	3	<ul> <li>We should focus here because the project is in progress and is a huge step towards water resiliency. SD is at the "end of the line" for receiving water from its 2 main sources: Delta and Colorado River. Water is KEY to our survival- for growing food, cleaning, nourishment, etc. If there is an earthquake and a pipeline breaks, we need to have local water sources. Pure Water is one source (Garrett)</li> <li>[This would include] the relationship with the dam and water supply (Lardy)</li> <li>Secures a long-term, drought-resilient local water supply, reducing dependence on imported water (Williams)</li> </ul>
<u>Urban Water Management Plans</u>	2	<ul> <li>[This would include] Flood System maintenance/clearing, stormwater requirements from pollution and water supply (Lardy)</li> <li>Provides a broader strategic framework for San Diego's long-term water supply planning and conservation efforts (Williams).</li> </ul>
De Anza Natural	1	• (Meyer)
Chollas Creek Master Plan	1	• Urban flooding is emerging as a bigger risk than wildfire—this plan addresses flash flooding and stormwater management (Williams).
Urban Forestry, including 5 Year Plan Water Concernation		
Water Conservation		

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Environmental Justice Element	
Wildfire Risk Prevention	