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Tucson's Energy Future

Proposed Energy Collaboration Agreement between TEP and the City of Tucson

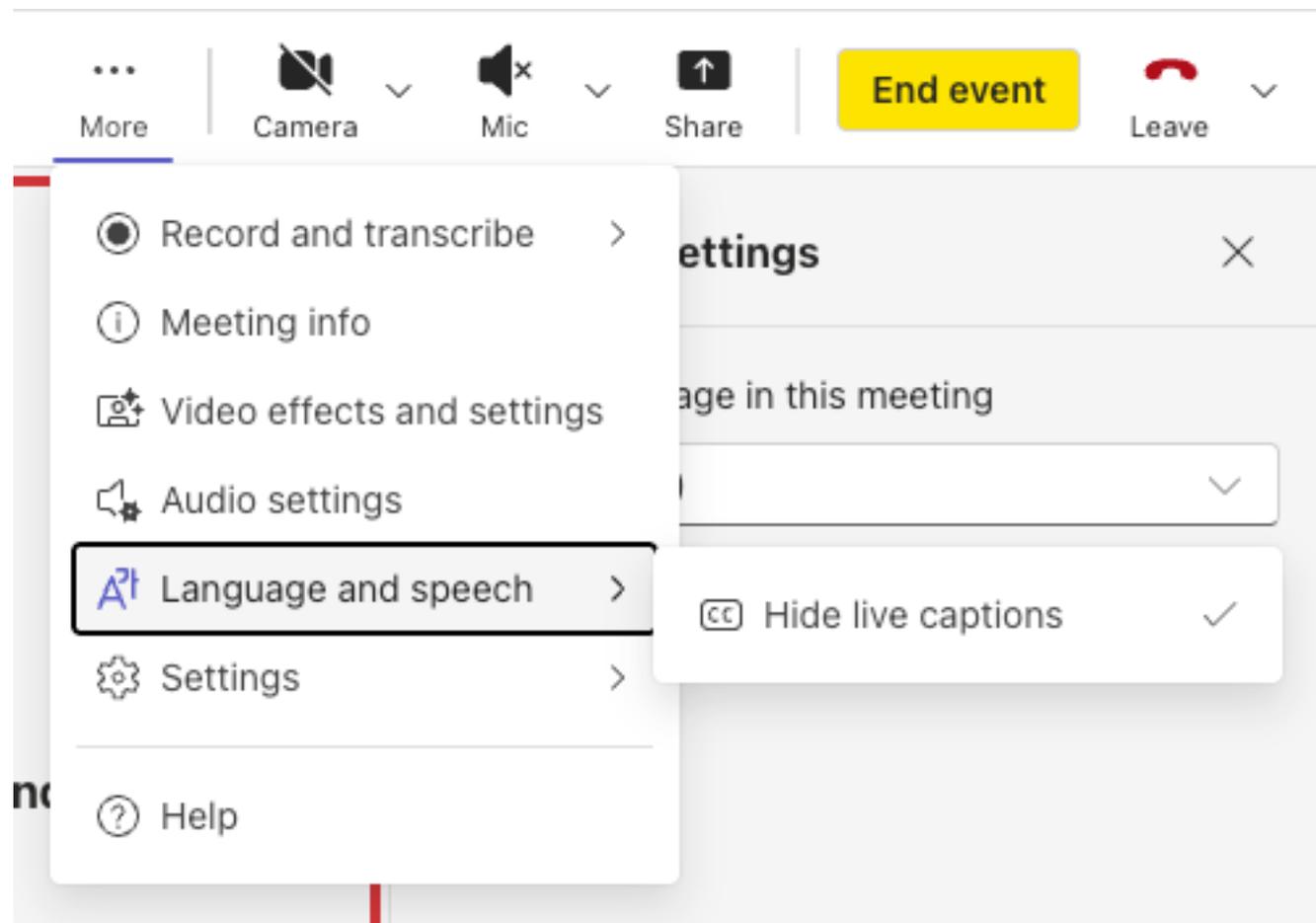
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Spanish Translation How-to



Participation Guidelines



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Be Respectful and Present – We'll unmute during Q&A.

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Listen with Openness – Keep an open mind and listen in good faith.

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Speak from Your Perspective – Share your own experiences or perspective, stay on topic, and keep comments brief.

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Make Space for Others – It's setup that one person speaks at a time so everyone has a chance to be heard.

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Keep It Constructive – Ask questions, challenge ideas (not people), and work together toward understanding and solutions.

Agenda

- 1 Welcome/Introductions
- 2 Background
- 3 Previous Public Input
- 4 ECA Overview
- 5 Questions and Answers (90 mins)
- 6 Next Steps



Background

Mayor & Council Direction

- Collaborate with TEP in energy and resilience projects
- Pursue a new Franchise Agreement and Energy Collaboration Agreement (ECA)
- Advance Tucson Resilient Together climate and energy goals



Previous Public Input

Community Engagement Process

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- Seven town halls, in-person and virtual, English and Spanish

Phase I: Community members shared priorities and ideas for ECA

Phase II: That input was turned into guiding principles and provisions, which participants then ranked and refined.

Previous Public Input

What We Heard (Cross-Cutting Themes)

- Accelerate the clean energy transition
- Invest in resilient infrastructure
- Expand home energy efficiency and retrofits
- Protect energy affordability for residents



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Previous Public Input

What We Heard (Cross-Cutting Themes)

- Use shareholder funds to support community climate investments
- Prioritize equity for underserved communities
- Support workforce development and clean energy career pathways
- Improve transparency and community engagement

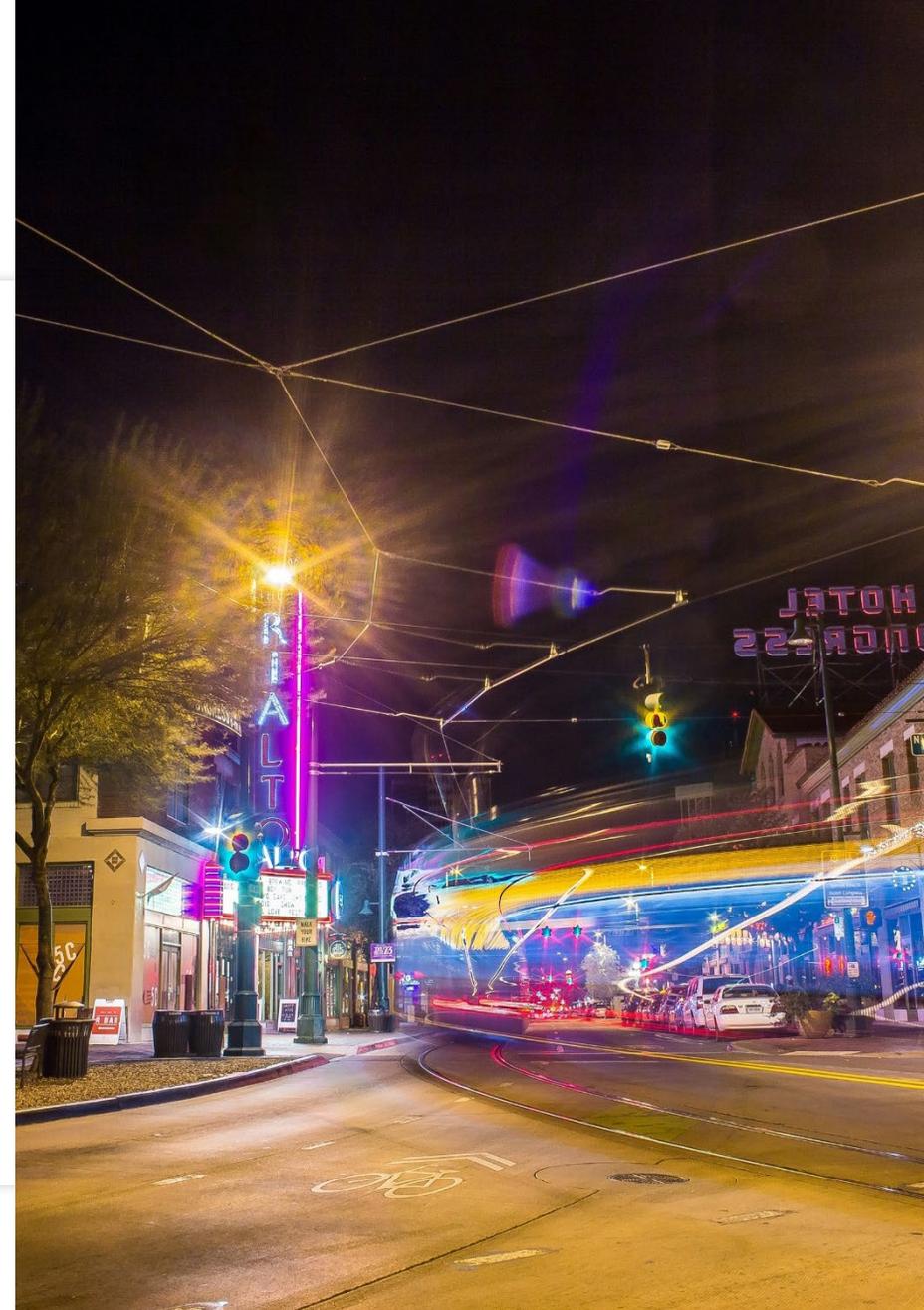


ECA Overview

- **Purpose:** Promote collaboration between the City and TEP to accomplish energy-related goals and efficient operations
- **Impact:** New investment in energy related community action

ECA Overview

- Takes effect when new voter-approved franchise agreement does
- Remains in effect up to 25 years
- Can be revised at any time upon mutual agreement
- May be canceled at any time by either party for any reason
- If agreement is canceled, franchise is terminated





ECA Overview

TEP Funding

- \$2 million annually
- Increasing by 2% every other year
- From shareholder funds, not customer rates

Reducing GHG Emissions

- Citywide GHG emissions reporting and inventory
- Distributed energy resources (solar, energy storage, microgrids)
- City of Tucson Solar Empowerment Program
- Electric vehicle charging infrastructure
- City fleet electrification



Reducing GHG Emissions

- City-run home energy audit and retrofit program, prioritizing low-income residents
- GHG reductions at City buildings and facilities
- Exploration of emerging clean energy technologies (solar street lighting, etc.)
- Tucson Million Trees Program





Resilient Infrastructure/Preparedness

- Inventory of critical municipal infrastructure
- Resilience hubs with solar and energy storage at key City locations
- Cooling centers, shade structures, and tree canopy expansion
- Ongoing emergency preparedness coordination for significant weather and heat related events.

Supporting Vulnerable Communities

- Bill payment assistance for low-income residents
- Inclusive multilingual communications and outreach on energy efficiency, clean energy and climate resilience
- New central resource hub to simplify access to energy programs and incentives
- Promoting energy literacy - usage data, utility bills and energy efficiency opportunities





Workforce & Economic Development

- Seek opportunities to prepare Tucson residents for energy-related careers
- Educational outreach (example: school career days)
- Internship and apprenticeship programs

Safe, Reliable, Affordable Energy

- Promote cost-effective utility construction, maintenance
- Timely permit processing for utility projects
- Maintain safe, efficient access to utility right of way and facilities
- Fair, timely compensation for condemnations, utility relocations
- Flexible, efficient processes that reduce costs, contributing to lower rates





Transparency and Accountability

Joint updates from TEP and the City of Tucson

- At least once per year
- Progress updates on:
 - TEP rate changes and proposals
 - Major projects, programs, or initiatives
 - Customer assistance programs
 - Affordable energy assistance
 - GHG reductions and inventory

Question & Answer



Comment

Two ways to comment through this Sunday

- 1 Use the comment form on the TEP website
- 2 Use the comment form on the City of Tucson website



Thank you

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Did you get what you expected from today's meeting?

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Do you feel well informed about the ECA process after attending this meeting?

