



Role of CJAB

CJAB will advise the Mayor and City Council on the development of policies and programs related to the Climate Action and Resilience Plan (CARP). The CJAB's focus will be to ensure that the costs and benefits of new programs in clean energy, energy efficiency, the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and climate resilience and adaptation, are equitably distributed and address the challenges faced by our most vulnerable populations and neighborhoods.





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“We emphasize looking at these issues through a climate-justice lens, making sure that decisions being made are not being made to make the most profit, or be completed the fastest way possible, but to benefit everyone in the community specifically groups that have been overlooked in the past.”



How CJAB Operates

- Shared Leadership including Co-chairs
- Diverse and representative leadership including youth and advocates (CJAB has open seats!)
- Staggered terms and rotating leadership to support leadership development



Identified Priorities

- Energy burden
- Transportation
- Green workforce development and inclusion
- Emergency preparedness
- Communication/education



Year 3 Activities

- Learned about Rethinking I-94 and related community concepts
- Climate Dashboard Feedback
- Xcel Equity Stakeholder Advisory Group Feedback
- New Committee Structure
- 2 New Youth Members Via Youth on Boards
- Co-Hosted November Climate Forum – over 100 attendees!



November 2023 Climate Forum





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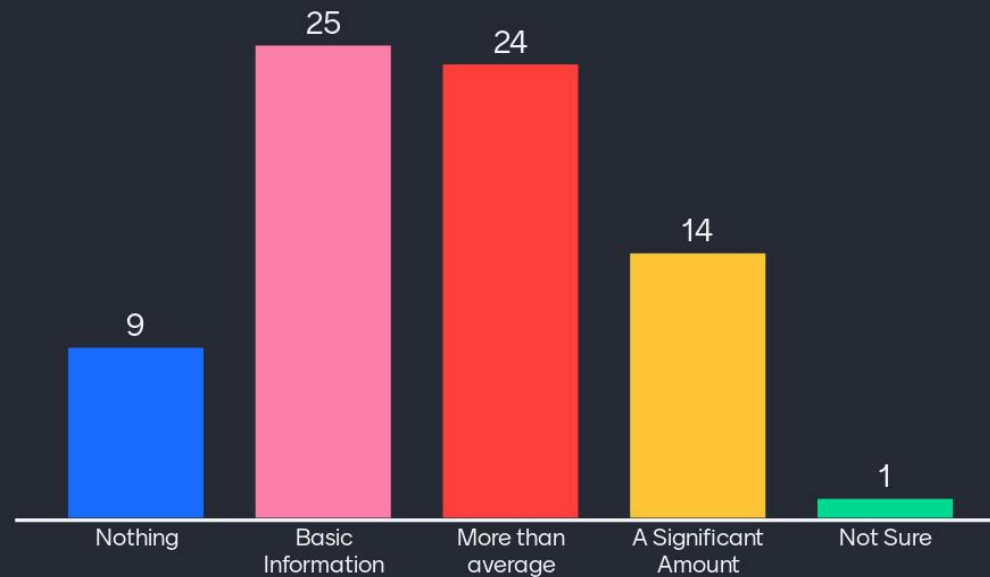




Forum Attendee Pre-Presentation Survey

Mentimeter

How much do you know about the climate work happening in the City of Saint Paul?

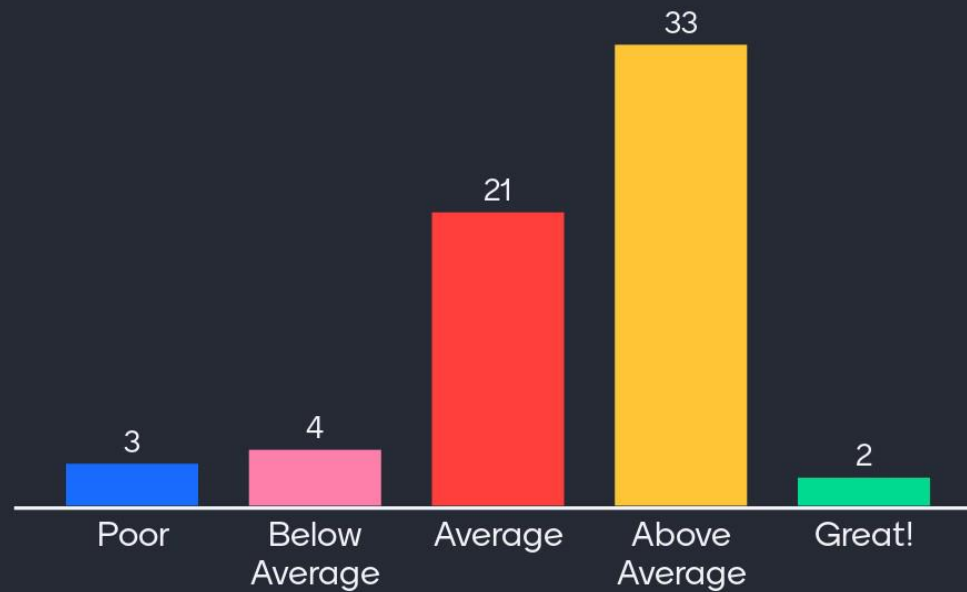




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Knowing what you know, how would you rate Saint Paul on its climate work?

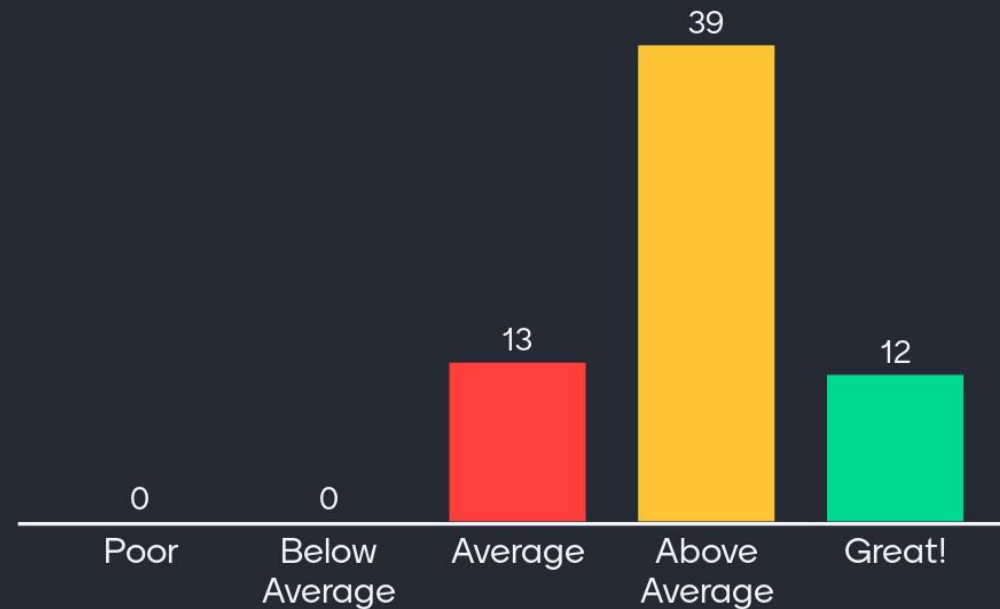




Forum Attendee Post-Presentation Survey

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Now, knowing what you know, how would you rate Saint Paul on its climate work?





Ad Hoc Committees

- Rethinking I-94 – developed an exercise for weighing the preliminary alternatives that MNDOT has released
- Climate Action and Resilience Plan Update – coordinating with City staff to plan community engagement and build out the Committee (to include non-CJAB members) into a CARP Update Advisory Committee.



Rethinking I-94 Exercise

GHG, Quality of Life, Mobility, Safety	Boulevard	freeway	reduced freeway	other
People Walking				
People Biking				
People driving cars				
people using transit				
emergency responders				
heavy trucks moving goods				
people who live very close to I-94				
people who live further away				
businesses near I-94				
businesses further away				
City of Saint Paul				
Twin Cities Metro				
aesthetics				
green features (stormwater/trees/solar)				



Other Issues of Interest

- Foundry pollution concerns
- Air monitoring and soil testing opportunities
- “Cumulative Impacts” discussion at Legislature
- Urban Heat Project – partners including the City will help recruit volunteers to take temperature readings this summer



Let's Connect!

We'd love for you to join a meeting
and are always available for
consultation on related issues!