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Fwd: [EXTERNAL] SA Climate Action and Adaptation Plan

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Councilmembers,

I just read the latest SABC article on the SA CAAP and Valero - <https://www.bizjournals.com/sanantonio/news/2019/02/27/valero-voices-concerns-about-citys-climate-action.html>. It's just sad we are being led to a green plan fiasco. Not everybody believes in climate change or global warming. For decades we have been told it is coming and we're still here. I am glad the timelines for the plan have changed per the Mayor and CM Sandoval. The plan is just not right for San Antonio. Just so you know, I asked the City's Sustainability Office to remove SAMA, and me, from the SA Climate Plan participating organizations because it became a three ring circus that we did not want to be a part of. The plan did not, and still doesn't, have details on what the costs will be nor who will pay for it. Moreover, many in the city offices, city council and environmentalist believe climate change is real and we're going to die which is BS. To date, my understanding is SAMA has been removed from the list.

When this planning kicked off months ago, I attended three meetings and said enough. Only environmentalist and their use of skewed data, that only supports their premise of Global Warming/Climate Change, had the upper hand in all the planning, resulting in we must do this to save our children, city and planet. For industries and businesses, they were heard in the committees and steering group, but many felt ignored. The stage was set, the city, with backing of some councilmembers, had already made their decision, we are going to have this plan by any means necessary. Our local media also conveyed, businesses need to get on board.

Businesses have spoken at public sessions to no avail and with all the hysteria on "Green Plans" nationally, I'm just letting you know, this has completely gotten out of hand – my opinion. You are the only ones I can speak my piece to. Attached are my comments to Doug Melnick for the Feb 19th SA Climate forum and what I said at the CPS Energy public session on Monday night, Feb 18th. Additionally, I've included SAMA's letter to the sustainability office with comments on the plan as they requested. Lastly, I have attached the NY Green Plan article from the WSJ. You already know about the CA problems with their high speed rail and the Georgetown, TX, renewable energy issue impacting their citizens – more Green Plan fiascos.

No one seems concerned about the price tag for this green disaster or where the money will come from to pay for it, accept businesses and a majority of residents not aligned with environmentalist groups. Also, oil and gas companies are disregarded for what they do economically for our region and state – they employ thousands of jobs. Do we just get rid of them?

Renewables are nice but are not reliable and the technology does not exist, yet, to store the wind and solar power. To divest of fossil fuels completely is insane. I very much understand the coal issue, but until renewables can support totally our energy needs, we need it, and LNG is another great power source with a small carbon footprint. Fossil fuels will still be needed as back-ups when renewables can't be used (no wind, sunless days, storms, etc.). Even

Germany, a leader in renewable energy still utilizes fossil fuels. We just can't get rid of it totally, ever. To mandate what businesses and residents must do to comply with the CAAP, is just ludicrous and smacks of bringing socialism into our community. How are we all going to pay for facility upgrades and what will be the consequences if we don't comply? Don't forget, we have to get electrical cars too! GM has shut down plants and is not making as many electrical cars because no one is buying them. I don't mean to rant, but I just feel the SA Climate Planning has lost all common sense.

Here are some links I think you and your staff might be interested in that the environmentalist, and some in our city, want to ignore since it doesn't fit their narrative.

<https://www.westernjournal.com/media-hysteria-climate-change-heat-records-huge-data-manipulation/>
Media Hysteria: Climate Change 'Heat Records' Are a Huge Data Manipulation - [westernjournal.com](https://www.westernjournal.com/media-hysteria-climate-change-heat-records-huge-data-manipulation/)<<https://www.westernjournal.com/media-hysteria-climate-change-heat-records-huge-data-manipulation/>>
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The same climate experts warn that record heat is just the tip of the iceberg. We are constantly told that global warming is the root cause behind any and all weather events that are extreme, destructive, unusual or uncomfortable.

Bill Gates Slams Unreliable Wind and Solar Energy - <https://youtu.be/9xe3BWPsBTU>

Can We Rely on Wind and Solar Energy? - <https://youtu.be/ObvdSmPbdLg>

Global Warming - <https://youtu.be/mqejXs7XgsU>

Georgetown City Manager Addresses Concerns about Energy Bill Hikes - <https://www.kxan.com/news/local/williamson-county/georgetown-city-manager-addresses-concerns-about-energy-bill-hikes/1763745254>

Putin funding environmentalists? - <https://youtu.be/5swv4fhern0>

<https://www.expressnews.com/news/local/politics/article/San-Antonians-grapple-with-proposed-climate-plan>

What does SAMA want you all to do? Support our businesses and residents who don't want this plan. Know the facts of what is going on and arm yourself with knowledge of this entire issue. SAMA members do not support the SA Climate Plan. Also, know we are a resource and will stand with the community, but not this plan. Our main concern is the small and medium size businesses and what we bring here. We have been great stewards of our environment and will continue to do so. We don't want to lose any jobs, but it could come to that if this plan is implemented. Most importantly, we very concern with residents who are sick, elderly and cannot afford this plan. This initiative will create an energy poverty situation for some of our businesses and residents, meaning they will be unable to afford this "Green Plan." A more responsible plan can be made but not with a group of individuals who have lost touch with reality. This SA Climate Plan was made irresponsibly – my opinion
Thanks for your time and in reading my email.

Sincerely,

Rey Chavez

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 **Signed Letter to CoSA on CAAP_021419.pdf**
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