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# HEARING NOTES

## Bill: 21-0161

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### City Operations - Net-Zero Emissions of Greenhouse Gases

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**Committee:** Health, Environment, and Technology
**Chaired by:** Danielle McCray

**Hearing Date:** March 16, 2022
**Time (Beginning):** 11:45 AM
**Time (Ending):** 12:15 PM
**Location:** Webex Virtual Hearing
**Total Attendance:** Approximately 55 people
**Committee Members in Attendance:**

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| Danielle McCray | John Bullock | Mark Conway | Ryan Dorsey |
| Phylicia Porter | James Torrence | Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer | |

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| | YES | NO | N/A |
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| **Bill Synopsis in the file?** | ☒ YES | ☐ NO | ☐ N/A |
| **Attendance sheet in the file?** | ☐ YES | ☐ NO | ☒ N/A |
| **Agency reports read?** | ☒ YES | ☐ NO | ☐ N/A |
| **Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded?** | ☒ YES | ☐ NO | ☐ N/A |
| **Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?** | ☐ YES | ☐ NO | ☒ N/A |
| **Evidence of notification to property owners?** | ☐ YES | ☐ NO | ☒ N/A |
| **Final vote taken at this hearing?** | ☒ YES | ☐ NO | ☐ N/A |

**Motioned by:** Torrence
**Seconded by:** Conway
**Final Vote:** Fav. With Amendments

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### Major Speakers
*(This is not an attendance record.)*

Ava Richardson, Office of Sustainability
Robert Cenname, Department of Finance
Hilary Ruley, Law Department

## Major Issues Discussed

1. Chairwoman McCray called the hearing to order and explained how the hearing would proceed.
2. Councilman Conway explained the bill and discussed the importance of reducing the City's greenhouse gas emissions.
3. Agency representatives summarized the recommendations and comments in the agencies' written reports.
4. Councilman Conway explained his proposed amendments.
5. Members of the public testified in support of the bill with amendments to move the target date to 2045 and include interim goals, emphasize emissions reductions, address existing inequities, and ensure ongoing community engagement.
6. The Committee voted to recommend the resolution favorably with Councilman Conway's amendments.

## Further Study

**Was further study requested?** ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

**If yes, describe.**

## Committee Vote:

D. McCray: ...............................................................................................Yea
J. Bullock: ...............................................................................................Yea
M. Conway: ...............................................................................................Yea
R. Dorsey: ...............................................................................................Yea
P. Porter: ...............................................................................................Yea
J. Torrence: ...............................................................................................Yea
I. Schleifer: ...............................................................................................Yea

Matthew L. Peters, Committee Staff          Date:   March 18, 2022

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