



“Carbon Neutral” Seattle

A community dialogue hosted by Sustainable Ballard

Join us for a community meeting on Wednesday, Aug 25th, 6:00 pm at the Ballard Library (5614 22nd Ave. N.W.) to share your ideas of how the City of Seattle can collaborate with *neighborhoods* to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030. Can't make it this night? Take our online survey: surveymonkey.com/s/N3WX27X

Background: In April, Seattle City Council voted to become a carbon neutral city. Council members O'Brien and Conlin are leading on the development of criteria and definitions of what this means in a practical sense. They are convening panels of people in 8 different sectors – land use, schools, transportation, green jobs, energy, food systems, zero waste, and neighborhoods. *Results from this meeting will be included in the neighborhoods sector report, to be presented to City Council on September 14th.*

We will be exploring the following:

What does “carbon neutral” mean in your neighborhood? What jobs, businesses, and activities would be thriving if your neighborhood used less fossil fuel? What would houses, schools, streets, and gardens look like? What services would the City offer?

How could City government encourage and support neighborhoods to be healthier, happier, more resilient, and use less fossil-fuel energy, as we progress toward carbon neutrality? What policies encourage local jobs, local agriculture, less consumption (zero waste), more shared resources (libraries, tool banks, childcare), more local social networks (clubs, religious, cultural, community kitchens), good public and non-motorized transit, good local schools, density, what else?

What are some of the things your group is doing now to reduce your community's use of energy and natural resources?

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