Vergas Community Energy and Resilience Advisory Board

I. Purpose

The purpose of the advisory board is to assist in creating and advancing the Energy and Resilience Plan, and to provide recommendations on policies and initiatives.

II. Objectives

- 1. Assist in creating and advancing the Energy and Resilience Plan.
- 2. Provide recommendations on policies and initiatives.
- 3. Engage the community through education and outreach.
- 4. Monitor progress and adapt strategies as needed.

III. Membership

• The Board shall consist of five members, with three members from the resident population of the city to be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. The appointees shall be appointed to serve staggered terms of three years, except as noted below, commencing on January 1 of the year of appointment. Upon the expiration of a term, the appointee shall continue in office until reappointed or a successor is appointed. Absences from any three meetings in a year, unless excused in advance by the Chair, constitute a vacancy. In the event of any vacancy, the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, shall appoint a person to complete the unexpired term.

IV. Meetings & Structure

- (1) At the first regular meeting, the Board shall elect a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson, and a Secretary from among its appointed members, each for a term of one year. The Board may create and fill other offices as it may determine.
- (2) The Board shall hold a meeting at the call of the Chair. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Chairperson or, in the Chairperson's absence, by the Vice-Chairperson.
- (3) Written minutes of meetings shall be kept and filed with the City Clerk before the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, but shall be subject to approval at the next Board meeting.
- (4) No expenditures by the Board shall be made unless and until authorized for the purpose by the City Council.

V. Responsibilities

The Board will consult with the City Council and the Planning Commission and shall be advisory to the City Council in matters relating to climate action planning. The Board may meet with various groups to discuss issues related to climate activities. The Board will provide periodic updates to the City Council.