

From Indya Kincannon

Candidate for Mayor

1. If elected, would you support a comprehensive and equitable community-wide Climate Action Plan to reduce Knoxville's carbon emissions in half by 2030?

Yes.

2. How would you engage the community in developing this plan?

I would work through neighborhood, business, faith-based and non-profit groups like SACE and SEEED, along with entities such as ORNL, TVA, KUB and UT, to hold community meetings, share the urgency of these issues and solicit ideas for how we can halve our carbon emissions as a community by 2030. I would also include Knox County and other local government entities, so we can work on this regionally, not just within the city.

I would harness the talents and energies of all stakeholders, all generations, to tackle this challenge. We need to think creatively and collaboratively about how to reduce our carbon emissions as a community. I will make sure that the plan include S.M.A.R.T. goals, i.e. Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-Based.

3. What would be your timeline from the launch to develop the plan to when the city would put the plan into action?

I would take 4-6 months to hold the community meetings, collect ideas, and then come up with a draft strategic plan by July 2020. Then I'd want to share that plan with the community, get signed commitments from all the entities named above, and start implementing the plan by Fall 2020.