



Accra Climate Commitment: A Pathway to Net Zero by 2050

1. The Call to Action

Accra faces intensifying climate risks, including severe flooding and extreme heat, that threaten infrastructure, public health, economic resilience, and quality of life. The City must act decisively to protect residents and secure a sustainable future.

2. Our Core Pledge

The leadership of Accra commits to reducing municipal and citywide greenhouse gas emissions to **net zero by no later than 2050**, covering residential, commercial, and industrial activity.

3. Accountability and Interim Milestones

The City will track progress against interim milestones measured from the 2015 emissions baseline.

- **By 2030:** Achieve a **27% emission reduction** below the business-as-usual (**BAU**) scenario.
- **By 2040:** Achieve a **48% reduction** below the business-as-usual (**BAU**) scenario.
- **By 2050:** Achieve **net zero emissions** citywide.

4. Priority Action Areas

The City will align budgets, infrastructure investment, land-use planning, and services around four priority action areas.

Each area will have designated owners, annual funding, timelines, and public indicators reviewed through biennial GHG reporting.

Clean Energy and Buildings

Adopt green building standards and retrofit municipal facilities to reduce energy use and emissions.

Sustainable Mobility

Expand charging infrastructure, transition public transport to zero-emission fleets, and support walkable, transit-oriented neighborhoods.



Waste Reduction

Divert organic waste and advance circular economy initiatives to reduce landfill methane and improve resource efficiency.

Urban Resilience

Expand tree canopy by 30% and invest in nature-based stormwater infrastructure to reduce heat and flood risks.

5. Equity and a Just Transition

The City will direct at least **40% of climate investment benefits** to underserved communities, while supporting quality green jobs and lower energy burdens for vulnerable households.

6. Governance and Transparency

The City will institutionalize this commitment through departmental accountability, biennial verified reporting, and annual public progress forums.

Through this commitment, Accra affirms its responsibility to lead with urgency, equity, and accountability—protecting its residents today while building a cleaner, more resilient city for future generations.



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