SUSTAINABLE SMART CITY ASSISTANT Project Documentation

INTRODUCTION

• Project Title: Sustainable Smart City Assistant

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.Purpose:

The purpose of a Sustainable Smart City Assistant is to empower cities and their residents to thrive in a more eco-conscious and connected urban environment. By leveraging AI and real-time data, the assistant helps optimize essential resources like energy, water, and waste, while also guiding sustainable behaviors among citizens through personalized tips and services. For city officials, it serves as a decision- making partner—offering clear insights, forecasting tools, and summarizations of complex policies to support strategic planning. Ultimately, this assistant bridges technology, governance, and community engagement to foster greener cities that are more efficient, inclusive, and resilient.

2. Features:

Conversational Interface

- Key Point: Natural language interaction
- Functionality: Allows citizens and officials to ask questions, get updates, and receive guidance in plain language

Policy Summarization

- Key Point: Simplified policy understanding
- Functionality: Converts lengthy government documents into concise, actionable summaries.

Resource Forecasting

- Key Point: Predictive analytics
- Functionality: Estimates future energy, water, and waste usage using historical and real-time data.

Eco-Tip Generator

- Key Point: Personalized sustainability advice
- Functionality: Recommends daily actions to reduce

environmental impact based on user behavior.

Citizen Feedback Loop

- Key Point: Community engagement
- Functionality: Collects and analyzes public input to inform city planning and service improvements.

KPI Forecasting

- Key Point: Strategic planning support
- Functionality: Projects key performance indicators to help officials track progress and plan ahead.

Multimodal Input Support

- Key Point: Flexible data handling
- Functionality: Accepts text, PDFs, and CSVs for document analysis and forecasting.

Gradio UI

- Key Point: User-friendly interface
- Functionality: Provides an intuitive dashboard for both citizens and city officials to interact with the assistant.

3.Architecture:

• Backend (Fast API):

Fast API serves as the backend REST framework that powers API endpoints for document processing, chat interactions, eco tip generation, report creation. It is optimized for asynchronous performance and easy Swagger integration.

• <u>LLM Integration (IBM Granite):</u>

Granite LLM models from IBM are used for natural language understanding and generation. Prompts are carefully designed to generate summaries, sustainability tips, and reports.

4. Setup Instructions:

• Prerequisites:

- Python 3.9 or later
- pip and virtual environment tools
- Internet access to access cloud services

• Installation Process:

- Clone the repository
- Install dependencies from requirements.txt
- Run the backend server using Fast API

Upload data and interact with the modules

5. Folder Structure:

- app/ Contains all Fast API backend logic including routers, models, and integration modules.
- Smart City Assistant.py Handles all communication with IBM Granite model including summarization and chat.
- report_generator.py Constructs AI-generated sustainability reports.

6. Running the Application

To start the project:

- Launch the FastAPI server to expose backend endpoints.
- Navigate through pages via the sidebar.
- Upload documents or CSVs, interact with the chat assistant, and view outputs like reports, summaries, and predictions.