

# Sustainable Smart City Assistant — Project Documentation

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## Project Phases Template

### Project Title:

Sustainable Smart City Assistant

### Team Name:

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## Phase-1: Brainstorming & Ideation

### Objective:

Identify the problem statement, define the purpose and impact of the project.

### Key Points:

#### 1. Problem Statement:

Urban citizens often struggle to access clear, timely, and localized information about sustainable resources, public services, and environmental metrics in their city.

#### 2. Proposed Solution:

Develop a public-facing web application powered by IBM Granite 2b-Instructor and FastAPI with AI-driven services.

#### 3. Target Users:

Urban citizens, Environmental enthusiasts, City planners, Policy researchers.

#### 4. Expected Outcome:

A modular, scalable assistant empowering users for eco-friendly decisions and city services access.

## Phase-2: Requirement Analysis

### Objective:

Define technical and functional requirements.

### **Key Points:**

1. Technical Requirements:

Python, FastAPI, IBM Granite, APIs, SQLite/PostgreSQL, Render/IBM Cloud.

2. Functional Requirements:

Chatbot, Service finder, Dashboard, Alerts, Transparency hub.

3. Constraints & Challenges:

API limits, real-time data retrieval, data privacy compliance, hosting constraints.

## **Phase-3: Project Design**

Objective:

Create the architecture and user flow.

### **Key Points:**

1. System Architecture Diagram:

[User] → [Frontend] → [Backend] → [AI Model/APIs/Database]

2. User Flow:

Homepage → Chatbot/Features → API Processing → Result Display.

3. UI/UX Considerations:

Eco-themed layout, Map navigation, Card dashboards, Chatbot icon, Data panel.

## **Phase-4: Project Planning (Agile Methodologies)**

Objective:

Break down tasks using Agile.

### **Key Points:**

1. Sprint Planning:

5 sprints for modules.

2. Task Allocation:

Members assigned per module.

3. Timeline & Milestones:

Weekly module deadlines.

## **Phase-5: Project Development**

Objective:

Code and integrate components.

### **Key Points:**

#### **1. Technology Stack Used:**

Python, FastAPI, IBM Granite, SQLite/PostgreSQL, APIs, Render.

#### **2. Development Process:**

Route setup, API integration, Frontend building, Real-time calls, Privacy controls.

#### **3. Challenges & Fixes:**

API errors, map lags, AI latency, privacy UX fixes.

## **Phase-6: Functional & Performance Testing**

#### **Objective:**

Ensure the project works as expected.

### **Key Points:**

#### **1. Test Cases Executed:**

Chatbot, Service finder, Dashboard, Alerts, Document Q&A, Data privacy tests.

#### **2. Bug Fixes & Improvements:**

Map API caching, voice input fallback, payload optimizations.

#### **3. Final Validation:**

Project meets requirements.

#### **4. Deployment:**

Demo hosted on Render (link to be added).