

SURVEY RESPONSES
City of Albany Climate Action Plan (CAP)

Out of 542 Surveys...

PERSONAL CARBON REDUCTIONS

3. Please rank your willingness to do the following to help reduce the community's carbon emissions:

	I am not willing	I would consider this	I am very willing	I already do this
Turn off unnecessary lights in house	1%	2%	5%	92%
Lower the thermostat by three degrees on a cold day	6%	10%	12%	72%
Walk, bike, carpool, or take public transport one day per week	9%	15%	11%	65%

TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE

Walking and Bicycling Infrastructure

4. Would additional bike lanes, racks, and overall safer bicycling conditions encourage you to ride your bike more often?

Yes	No
60%	40%

5. To what degree do you feel bike lanes, racks, and other bike infrastructure needs to be expanded?

	Yes	No
It is good as-is	36%	64%
Small improvements such as a few more bike lanes would be adequate	40%	60%
Moderate improvements are necessary including bike lanes on most high traffic streets and signed routes on key side streets	60%	40%
The City needs to provide separate bicycle tracks on high traffic streets and dedicated lanes or signed routes on most other streets	60%	40%

6. Would improved sidewalks, cross walks, and increased traffic enforcement encourage you to walk more?

Yes	No
53%	47%

Public Transit

7. Would more bus shelters, route information displays, benches, and lighting encourage you to ride public transit?

Yes	No
40%	60%

8. Do you think access to transit stops and stations is convenient and safe?

Yes	No
74%	26%

9. Do you feel existing routes are sufficient?

Yes	No
50%	50%

Mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented development

10. Should the City provide development incentives that encourage pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use development along San Pablo Avenues?

Yes	No
82%	18%

Commercial Parking

11. Would you support a commercial district parking fee within the Solano and San Pablo Avenue commercial corridors?

	Yes	No
Yes, I support a commercial parking fee	28%	72%
Yes, if revenues were spent on local business, marketing and other district improvements	39%	61%

12. How much should the parking fee be?

I do not support such a fee	58%
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	25¢	50¢	75¢	\$1
I support an hourly fee of...	27%	37%	7%	29%

BUILDING AND ENERGY

Residential Energy Efficiency Retrofits

13. If the City provided low-interest loans for energy efficiency improvements, would you voluntarily upgrade your home to be more energy efficient?

Yes	No
8%	92%

Yes, but only if I knew the improvements would save me money in the near-term	17%
Yes, financing would help me do this	28%
I will do the upgrade whether the financing is available or not	8%
I have already done significant efficiency upgrades	27%
I rent and cannot make improvements	20%

14. Should the City require energy efficiency retrofits at the point of sale of residential buildings given that improvements could cost approximately \$7,000 to \$10,000 depending on the size and age of the home?

Yes	No
42%	58%

Commercial Energy Retrofits

15. If low-interest loans for energy efficiency improvements were available would you voluntarily upgrade your building? *Business owners and commercial property owners only:*

	Yes	No
Yes, but only if I knew the improvements would save me money in the near-term	15%	9%
Yes, financing would help me do this	21%	7%
I will do the upgrade whether the financing is available or not	4%	9%
I have already done significant efficiency upgrades	8%	8%
I lease and cannot make improvements	11%	8%

16. Should the City require energy efficiency retrofits at the point of sale for commercial buildings?

Yes	No
65%	35%

Renewable Energy

17. If low-interest loans were provided would you install solar panels or solar hot water heaters at your home, commercial building, or commercial parking lot?

	Yes	No
Yes, but only if I knew the improvements would save me money on the near-term	20%	4%
Yes, financing would help me do this	30%	3%
I will do the upgrade whether the financing is available or not	3%	6%
I have already done significant efficiency upgrades	7%	6%
I lease and cannot make improvements	13%	8%

WASTE AND WATER

Waste

18. Which of the following things do you do?

I recycle paper, glass, metal, and plastic waste	74%
I place yard waste in curbside green waste containers	76%
I place food scraps in curbside green waste containers	62%
I compost green waste and/or food scraps in a home composting system	9%

19. If you don't do one of the things above, which of the following things would you be willing to do?

I am willing to recycle paper, glass, metal, and plastic waste	0.4%
I am willing to place yard waste in curbside green waste containers	5%
I am willing to place food scraps in curbside green waste containers	13%
I am willing to place compost green waste and/or food scraps in a home composting system	18%

Water

20. Would you support an ordinance that would require residential remodeling projects to improve plumbing fixtures and achieve water efficiency that exceeds current code requirements?

Yes	No
68%	32%

21. Rainwater collection systems can reduce the use of potable water for irrigation. If the City provided training on how to do it, would you be interested in collection rainwater from your building's roof top to water your lawn and garden?

Yes	No
70%	13%
Not practical for my home/business	17%

22. Graywater systems use untreated household wastewater from bathtubs, showers, bathrooms wash basins, and clothes washing machines to provide water to underground irrigation systems. Would you be interested in installing a graywater system on your property?

Yes	No
79%	29%

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

Urban Forest

23. Would you be interested in planting additional trees on your property?

Yes	No
55%	23%
Not practical for my home/business	22%