



**DRAFT MINUTES  
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**City Hall Conference Room  
1000 San Pablo Avenue  
February 12, 2012 – 7:30 p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members present:, Cooper, Smith-Heimer, Lieberman, Jennings, Wangmo, Wei  
Members absent: Price

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3-1. Approve minutes from January 18, 2012 meeting**

Action on minutes deferred to a future meeting.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Paul O'Curry, member of the Social and Economic Justice Committee spoke regarding homelessness.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

A communication from the Albany Unified School District for a presentation was discussed and agreed to place on the March meeting agenda. An application to the Cool California program also was discussed.

**6. REPORTS**

**6-1. CAP Implementation Update**

Chair Cooper discussed the utility users tax structure. Committee member Jennings discussed importance of measuring success of CAP policies. Committee member Lieberman and Preston Jordan discussed their research on the cost to PG&E of providing billing information.

**6-2. Green Building Ordinance Subcommittee Update**

Chair Cooper provided an update on new standards including discussion of home energy audit trigger.

**6-3. Parking Policy Discussion with Planning & Zoning and Traffic & Safety Commissions**

Committee members discussed the joint meeting with Traffic and Safety and Planning and Zoning Commission held on January 24, 2012.

**6-4. Arts & Green Festival Update**

Chair Cooper said they've sent out 50-60 invites for green booths and they've expanded the variety of booths they're soliciting this year.

**7. DISCUSSIONS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

**7-1. Nomination and Selection of Committee Chair and Vice Chair**

Motion made and passed unanimously to re-elect Chair Cooper and Vice-Chair Smith-Heimer.

**7-2. Presentation by Committee Member Wei – Community Outreach**

Detailed report provided by Committee member Wei on the 2011 Behavior Energy and Climate Change Conference. Committee member Wei noted the lack of effectiveness of top-down marketing programs trying to encourage energy retrofits.

**7-3. Discuss development of a 2012 Draft Work Program to identify priority projects for the Committee**

Motion made and passed unanimously to approve work plan with amendments regarding annual report monitoring progress on the City's Climate Action Plan.

**7-4. Review monthly article for Albany Patch**

No article to review.

**7-5. Energy Upgrade California Workshop – January 25th**

Chair Cooper reported on the workshop and noted strong turnout of 50 people thanks to Albany Strollers & Rollers and Transition Albany efforts.

**8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Committee discussed future agenda items, including a discussion of parking, Cool California, CAP analysis, the School District partnership, and CCA.

**8-1. Next regular meeting – March 21, 2012**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.