



## SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Avenue  
Wednesday, September 19, 2017 – 7:30 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wei at 7:33pm.

### 2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Committee Member Cooper, Vice Chair Peterson, Committee Member Ohshita, Committee Member Uhrhammer, Chair Wei

Members Absent: Committee Member Golem

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### A. Approve minutes from July 19, 2017 meeting

Approved.

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Claire Griffing introduced CivicSpark Fellow Chelsea Polevy and explained that Jeff Bond will not be regularly attending meetings.

#### 5-1. Student Member Update

Griffing provided an update – The School District is in the process of identifying a new student member. Samantha Smithies, in the audience, has expressed interest in the position and is waiting to hear back from the School District.

#### 5-2. Bay Area SunShares Program Update

Griffing provided an update – In Albany, there are 12 total sign ups, 9 for solar installation and 7 for the EV discount.

#### 5-3. National Drive Electric Events

Griffing provided an update – Albany partnered with the Cities of Berkeley and Richmond to help promote their Drive Electric events this month.

#### 5-4. Update on Green Building Reach Codes

Griffing provided an update – Staff is solidifying a date for the subcommittee meeting in early October.

#### 5-5. Update on Arts & Green Festival and Outreach Priorities

Griffing provided an update – The City Manager has requested that the Committee discuss priorities for outreach in order to better inform the Rec Department in creating events that achieve those goals. The Committee requested that staff set up a meeting to discuss outreach priorities.

### 6. DISCUSSIONS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

#### 6-2. East Bay Community Energy Update and Presentation from Tom Kelly on 100% Renewable Study

Griffing introduced Tom Kelly of KyotoUSA. Kelly received a grant from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) to fund a study to evaluate the potential for CCEs to allow individual cities to launch with a 100% renewable energy default product. Kelly provided an update on the progress of the study.

#### 6-3. Report on Energy Assessment Pilot Program and Home Energy Survey

Griffing gave a presentation highlighting the results of the energy survey and discussed next steps for the pilot program of 20 home assessments. The Committee expressed concerns regarding the reliability of the self-selected data sample.

#### **6-4.2015 Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update**

Griffing gave a presentation on the results of the 2015 update of the greenhouse gas inventory. The inventory demonstrated a 10% decrease in emissions since 2010 and a 17% decrease since 2005. The Committee and staff expressed differences in opinion regarding the inventory methodology and the baseline. The Committee discussed protocols for deciding on inventory methodology and suggested the CAP subcommittee have a conversation about the inventory details and methodology.

#### **7. POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(Commission/Committee/Board Member announcement of requests for future agenda items. No public comment will be taken on announcement of future agenda items).

- Initial CAP 2.0 & Adaptation Planning Discussion
- Committee priority setting
- Green Building Reach Codes
- Fuel Switching Presentation
- Arts & Green Festival

**A. Next regular meeting – Tuesday, October 17, 2017**

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47pm.