



CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE

City Hall Council Chambers
1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA

MINUTES

Wednesday, September 18, 2019, 7:30pm – 9:30pm

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Claire Griffing at 7:30pm.

Members Present: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Cooper, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wei

Members Absent: None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 17, 2019

Approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was received from Jo Grissom regarding interest in greening her block with street trees.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4-1. Student Member Update

Claire Griffing provided an update – Samantha Smithies has left for college and can no longer serve on the Committee. The City is promoting the Maddy Act notice for the new Board of Education appointee and is currently accepting applications.

4-2. Introduction of New Committee Member Kate Breeding

Breeding provided a brief personal introduction and was welcomed by the Committee.

4-3. Introduction of New CivicSpark Fellow Bianca Hutner

Hutner provided a brief personal introduction and was welcomed by the Committee.

4-4. Upcoming Sustainability Events

Elizabeth Carrade provided an update on recent sustainability events and available local resources.

Committee Member Marten provided an update about climate strike activities for September 20.

4-5. East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) Update

Carrade provided an update on EBCE's upcoming fleet assessment work with the City, and an all-electric construction webinar on October 1.

Griffing provided an update on new Sustainability Coordinator Elizabeth Carrade.

5. PRESENTATIONS

None.



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6. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

6-1. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Motion: Motion by Committee Member Cooper to elect Committee Member Larson as Chair, seconded by Committee Member Peterson.

AYES: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Cooper, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wei.

NOES: None.

Absent: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Larson to elect Committee Member Marten as Vice Chair, seconded by Committee Member Peterson.

AYES: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Cooper, Chair Larson, Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wei.

NOES: None.

Absent: None.

6-2. Resolution of Appreciation for Samantha Smithies

Motion: Motion by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Vice Chair Marten, to adopt a Resolution of Appreciation for former Committee Member Samantha Smithies.

AYES: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Cooper, Chair Larson, Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wei.

NOES: None.

Absent: None.

6-3. Discussion of Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan –

The Committee proposed changes to be incorporated into the final version of the Plan, including additional measures, wording changes, and changes to graphics.

Public comment was received from Preston Jordon, Carol Fitzgerald, Ian McLeod.

6-4. Update from Green Building Subcommittee

Committee Member Wei provided an update - The Green Building Subcommittee met to discuss potential pathways for banning natural gas in new construction and increasing adoption of natural gas appliances. The subcommittee plans to meet again before the October Climate Action Committee meeting, and have a discussion on natural gas bans at the October meeting.

Public comment was received from Ian McLeod.



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7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7-1. Green Building Subcommittee update, discussion of natural gas ban and green building standards updates.

7-2. Presentation from staff on handheld equipment ordinance and authority.

8. **NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, October 16, 2019 7:30 pm, City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38PM.