



**CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE**  
City Hall Council Chambers  
1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA

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**MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 17, 2019, 7:30 pm

**1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Smithies at 7:30pm.

Members Present: Committee Member Cooper, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Wei, Chair Smithies

Members Absent: Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 19, 2019**

Approved with minor edit.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**4-1. Sustainability Events**

Claire Griffing provided an update on upcoming events around the City.

**4-2. East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) Update**

Griffing provided an update on EBCE's Local Development Business Plan implementation.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**5-1. Presentation by Ryan Gardner from Rincon Consulting on Updated Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory**

Ryan Gardner of Rincon Consulting provided a presentation on the updated greenhouse gas emissions inventory and emissions forecast and answered Committee questions. Committee Member Wei asked for data to be shared.

Public comment was received from Preston Jordan.

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

**6-1. Discussion of Draft Climate Action & Adaptation Plan**

Griffing provided an update on the timeline for developing the new draft of the Climate Action & Adaptation Plan and the implementation plan, which is a separate document. The Committee discussed emissions targets, proposed changes to the plan, and declared a climate emergency. They requested to see public comments and any other available documents before the Council Study Session in September. The Committee reestablished a CAAP Subcommittee of Committee Members Cooper, Larson, and Wei to review the next draft and implementation plan in detail. The Committee agreed by



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consensus to revise the goals of the CAAP to carbon neutral by 2040 and 90% reductions by 2035.

**Motion:** Motion by Chair Smithies, seconded by Committee Member Larson to recommend passing a resolution declaring a climate emergency.

**AYES:** Committee Member Cooper, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Wei, Chair Smithies

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** Committee Member Marten, Committee Member Peterson

Public comment was received by Preston Jordan, Mark Meldgin, and Susan Clifford.

**6-2. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair to be Effective October 2019**

This item was deferred to the September meeting when all members are present.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Committee discussed future agenda items, including:

**7-1.** Green Building Subcommittee Update

**7-2.** Review of next draft of CAAP and of Implementation Plan

**7-3.** Discuss plastics at a future meeting

**8. NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, September 18, 2019, 7:30 pm  
City Hall Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.