



# CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE

Virtual Meeting  
Albany, CA 94706

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## AGENDA VIRTUAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 7:30pm – 9:30pm

### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Choi at 7:31pm.

Members Present: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Vice Chair Choi  
Members Absent: None.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December 16, 2020

**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Vice Chair Choi, to approve the December 16, 2020 minutes.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Vice Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

For persons desiring to address the Commission/Committee/Board on an item that is not on the agenda please note that each speaker is limited up to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Committee's ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

Public comment was received from Lucinda Young regarding Measure DD, and from Jeremiah Pinguelo regarding diesel emissions from vehicles and at the Port of Oakland.

### 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff and Committee member announcements, reports and updates of status of previous agenda items.

#### 4-1. Sustainability Events and Resources

Elizabeth Carrade provided an update on upcoming sustainability events and resources in the region.

#### 4-2. Green Building Update

Michelle Plouse provided an update – The Albany City Council approved the proposed green building measures, with an additional measure that requires that in new multi-family parking lots, all spaces not required to have an EV charger must be EV-ready. Staff is now preparing documentation to send to the California Energy Commission (CEC) for final approval.

#### 4-3. East Bay Community Energy Update

Carrade provided an update – In December, the EBCE Board voted to approve Albany's request to enroll all accounts in the subsidized Brilliant 100 product. The Brilliant 100



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product will sunset on December 31, 2021. The Committee and Council must discuss default product options for 2022 at a later date.

### 5. PRESENTATIONS

#### 5-1. Advisory Body Handbook Overview and Reminders

Carrade presented highlights from the City of Albany Advisory Body Handbook, including a brief overview of the Brown Act.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

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

#### 6-1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

##### *Chair Election:*

Committee Member Peterson nominated Vice Chair Chen.

**MOTION** to elect Vice Chair Choi as Chair of the Climate Action Committee.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Vice Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

##### *Vice Chair Election:*

Committee Member Breeding nominated Committee Member Peterson, who declined the nomination.

Committee Member Peterson nominated Committee Member Chen.

**MOTION** to elect Committee Member Chen as Vice Chair of the Climate Action Committee.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

#### 6-2. Committee Member Introductions

Each Committee Member provided a brief personal introduction.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

#### 6-3. Proclamation of Appreciation for Tom Cooper

The Committee adopted a Proclamation of Appreciation for Tom Cooper.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.



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**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Merchant, to adopt a Proclamation of Appreciation for Tom Cooper.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Vice Chair Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

### 6-4. Proclamation of Appreciation for Eric Larson

The Committee adopted a Proclamation of Appreciation for Eric Larson.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

**MOTION** by Vice Chair Chen, seconded by Committee Member Peterson, to adopt a Proclamation of Appreciation for Eric Larson.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Vice Chair Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

### 6-5. Proclamation of Appreciation for Max Wei

The Committee adopted a Proclamation of Appreciation for Max Wei.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Wooley, to adopt a Proclamation of Appreciation for Max Wei.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Vice Chair Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley, Chair Choi

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** None.

### 6-6. Electrification Website Demonstration –

Michelle Plouse provided a brief demonstration of the Albany Electrification Guide website. Staff plans to launch the website this spring, and will link to it on carbonfreealbany.org and the City website.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

### 6-7. Subcommittee Updates

Committee Member Peterson provided an update on behalf of the EV Action Plan subcommittee. Committee Member Wooley joined the EV Action Plan subcommittee.

**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Wooley, to extend the meeting to 9:45PM.

**AYES:** Vice Chair Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley

**NOES:** None.



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**Absent:** Chair Choi, Committee Member Breeding

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

### 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Vice Chair Chen, to extend the meeting to 10:00pm.

**AYES:** Vice Chair Chen, Committee Member Merchant, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Wooley

**Absent:** Chair Choi, Committee Member Breeding

Committee members announced requests for future agenda items, including subcommittee reports and reorganization, discussion of Measure DD expenditure plan, discussion of electrification for rental units and multi-family housing, a presentation from The Climate Center and potential recommendation that Council endorse the Climate Safe California Campaign, discussion on collaboration with Albany Unified School District on electrification and resilience, Work Plan discussion, update on motorized garden equipment.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

8. **NEXT MEETING:** February 17, 2021, 7:30pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT –**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:54PM.

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