



# CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE

Virtual Meeting  
Albany, CA 94706

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

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## MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2021, 7:00 PM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Merchant at 7:01pm.

Members Present: Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Fisun, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Mira Venkatesh, Vice Chair Merchant

Members Absent: Chair Chen

The Vice Chair read the Albany Land Acknowledgement Statement as adopted by the City Council per City of Albany Minute Action, November 15, 2021.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 20, 2021

**MOTION** by Committee Member Larson, seconded by Committee Member Peterson, to approve the October 20, 2021 minutes with a minor edit.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Fisun, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Mira Venkatesh, Vice Chair Merchant

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** Chair Chen

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

### 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

#### 4-2. East Bay Community Energy Upcoming Rate and Electricity Mix Change

Carrade provided an update on the upcoming default electricity product transition to take effect on January 1, 2022. More information is available at [EBCE.org/Albany](http://EBCE.org/Albany).

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

### 5. PRESENTATIONS

#### 5-1. Staff Presentation on Parking Policies

Jeff Bond provided an update on parking policy analysis conducted in Albany to date and potential policy options for future consideration.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo and David Wemmer.



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

#### 6-1. Staff Presentation on Local Hazard Mitigation and Adaptation Planning -

Carrade provided a presentation on Albany's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and upcoming policy opportunities related to resilience and adaptation.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo.

#### 6-2. Update on Multifamily Electric Vehicle Charging Pilot Program -

Johnny Menhennet provided a presentation on the plan for upcoming community engagement efforts to guide implementation of the multifamily electric vehicle charging pilot program.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo and David Wemmer.

#### 6-3. Electrification Rebate Program Proposal –

Michelle Plouse provided a presentation on a proposed electrification rebate program, to utilize Measure DD funds, if approved.

Public comment was received from Jeremiah Pinguelo and David Wemmer.

**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Fisun, to extend to 9:30PM.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Fisun, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Mira Venkatesh, Vice Chair Merchant

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** Chair Chen

**MOTION** by Committee Member Larson, seconded by Committee Member Peterson, to develop an electrification rebate program and request that Council allocate \$40,000 of Measure DD funds towards implementation of the program.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Fisun, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Mira Venkatesh, Vice Chair Merchant

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** Chair Chen

#### 6-4. Subcommittee Updates -

*Staff Recommendation: Receive updates from subcommittees.*

**Engagement and Outreach Subcommittee:** Larson, Merchant

Vice Chair Merchant provided an update on the October Carbon-Free Albany Community Leaders Forum, and the subcommittee's plan to engage the community with targeted, direct support to individual community groups. Committee Member Fisun joined the Engagement and Outreach Subcommittee.



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**MOTION** by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Fisun, to extend to 9:45PM.

**AYES:** Committee Member Breeding, Committee Member Fisun, Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson, Committee Member Mira Venkatesh, Vice Chair Merchant

**NOES:** None.

**Absent:** Chair Chen

**Multifamily EV Charging Pilot Subcommittee:** Chen, Larson, Peterson

NA

**Point-of-Sale Electrification Mandate Subcommittee:** Mira Venkatesh, Peterson

The subcommittee provided a brief overview of action taken to date, and alerted the Committee of proposed next steps, including an additional meeting with North Lennox.

### 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee members announce requests for future agenda items including an update on EBCE customer numbers, and proposed adaptation projects.

8. **NEXT MEETING:** December 15, 2021, 7:00pm

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

**The meeting adjourned at 9:34PM.**