

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022, 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Chen at 7:00pm.

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

Members Absent: None.

The 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:

December 15, 2021

MOTION by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Committee Member Larson, to approve the December 15, 2021 minutes with a minor edit.

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

NOES: None. Absent: None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

4-1. Sustainability Events and Resources

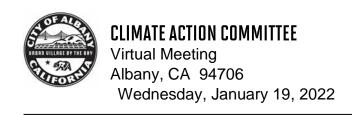
Elizabeth Carrade provided an update on sustainability events and resources in the region.

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

Carrade provided an update: Based on preliminary numbers that reflect opt outs and opt downs due to the outreach the City and EBCE conducted, only a very small number of accounts have transitioned out of EBCE or to Bright Choice. The Committee will receive a more comprehensive update in the spring when opt out and opt down numbers more accurately reflect the rate transition.

4-3. Update on City-Owned Electric Vehicle Charging

Carrade provided an update: The City of Albany Public Works Department will be presenting an update on implementation of the Capital Improvement Plan at a City Council meeting in February or March.



5. PRESENTATIONS

5-1. Advisory Body Reminders

Carrade provided a presentation with reminders for advisory body procedure and best practices.

5-2. Advancing Equity Through Climate Action and Adaptation Projects

Johnny Menhennet provided a presentation on climate justice, climate resiliency, and equity and recommendations for how the Committee can incorporate these themes into 2022 projects and programs.

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

6-1. 2021-2023 Climate Action Committee Work Plan

Staff Recommendation: Discuss priority items to work on in 2022 from the 2021-2023 Climate Action Committee Work Plan.

MOTION by Committee Member Peterson, seconded by Vice Chair Merchant, to extend the meeting to 9:30PM.

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

NOES: None.

Absent: Committee Member Breeding

MOTION by Committee Member Larson, seconded by Committee Member Peterson, to create a Zero Emission Transportation Subcommittee consisting of Committee Member Larson, Committee Member Peterson.

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

NOES: None.
Absent: None.

Public comment was received from Lucinda Young, Elaine Stelton, Peter Campbell, and Ed Crowley.

6-2. Point-of-Sale Electrification Mandate Update and Discussion

Committee Member Peterson and Committee Member Mira Venkatesh provided an update on research conducted and action taken to date on the potential point-of-sale electrification pilot program.

Public comment was received from Peter Campbell, Lucinda Young, and Ed Crowley.

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

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

NOES: None. Absent: None.

6-3. Subcommittee Updates

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

Engagement and Outreach Subcommittee: Fisun, Larson, Merchant Committee Member Merchant provided an update on upcoming engagement partnerships with Albany High School.

6-4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

MOTION to elect Committee Member Fisun as Chair of the Climate Action Committee.

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

NOES: None. Absent: None.

MOTION to elect Committee Member Mira Venkatesh as Vice Chair of the Climate Action Committee.

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

NOES: None. Absent: None.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee members announced requests for future agenda items, including a presentation from the UC Village Residence Association, and subcommittee updates.

8. NEXT MEETING: February 16, 2022, 7:00pm

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:40PM.