



**Climate Action Subcommittee  
Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft**

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Tuesday, September 22, 2020

4:00 PM

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Schwedhelm called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NONE

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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**Approved as submitted.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Emily Ramey spoke on behalf of Ygrene Energy Fund about Ygrene's interest in serving the City of Santa Rosa as a PACE provider and moving forward as a provider.

Martin Kupferman, Climate Reality Project-electric vehicle squad, spoke regarding adoption of electric vehicles in Sonoma County, availability of charging stations, and California AB 1236.

Kevin Conway, CONGAS, spoke requesting consideration of an ordinance that would impose new rules regarding new gas station permit applications.

Jenny Blaker, CONGAS, spoke requesting consideration of an ordinance that would impose new rules regarding new gas station permit applications.

**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## 5.1 MICROGRID FEASIBILITY STUDY, ENERGY AUDIT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND STORAGE

The City of Santa Rosa has received proposals from qualified firms to conduct a Microgrid Feasibility Study, Energy Audit and Renewable Energy and Storage Recommendations for city owned structures located in the City of Santa Rosa. The consultant will conduct inspections in order to identify site specific energy related deficiencies in order to provide report outlining recommendations for energy saving improvements.

The renewable energy and storage recommendations will include a cost analysis of the project, utility cost savings, and the reduction of the City of Santa Rosa's carbon footprint as a result of a renewable energy and storage project implementation. A study regarding the feasibility of microgrid technologies will also be conducted.

Doug Williams, Facilities Maintenance and Operations Coordinator, Transportation and Public Works, made a presentation and answered Subcommittee member's questions.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Mortensen, Friends of the Climate Action Plan (FOCAP) and Working Group for Emergency Climate Action Now (WECAN), spoke in support of a microgrid in Santa Rosa.

Elaine Wellin's email was read supporting a feasibility study of microgrids in Santa Rosa. (Public Comment Received via e-mail and read into record by Recording Secretary Mahre.)

Mike Lipelt's email was read supporting microgrids in Santa Rosa. (Public Comment Received via e-mail and read into record by Recording Secretary Mahre.)

**This item was received and filed.**

## 5.2 BATTERY ELECTRIC BUS REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Transit Division Staff will present an update on the Battery Electric Bus

Replacement Project using awarded federal funding and the MSCS Electrification Infrastructure Project currently underway using the PG&E EV Fleet Program. This item is being provided for information purposes.

Shawn Sosa, Administrative Analyst, Transportation and Public Works, made a presentation and answered Subcommittee member's questions.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

**This item was received and filed.**

#### **5.3 SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES (SMDS)**

Transportation and Public Works staff is seeking feedback regarding how Shared Mobility Devices (SMDs) would integrate with Climate Action Plan policies and goals.

Nancy Adams, Transportation Planner, Transportation and Public Works made a presentation and answered Subcommittee member's questions.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Lipelt's email was read regarding concern for the safety of e-bikes as well as suggestions to improve safety. (Public Comment Received via e-mail and read into record by Recording Secretary Mahre.)

**This item was received and filed.**

#### **5.4 COUNTYWIDE GOAL OF ZERO WASTE BY 2030**

The Transportation and Public Works Department recommends that the Climate Action Subcommittee review the Sonoma County Zero Waste Resolution which would adopt a Countywide goal of Zero Waste by 2030 and approve bringing the Resolution to the entire City Council.

Joey Hejnowicz, Administrative Analyst, Transportation and

Public Works made a presentation and answered Subcommittee member's questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

This item was received and filed.

## **6. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

NONE

## **7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Amy Nicholson, Senior Planner for Planning and Economic Development has assumed role of staff liaison for Climate action Subcommittee and provided an update on planning work as related to Climate Action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Turgeon, FOCAP, asked CAS when next meeting will meet and thanked David Guhin for his good work.

Mark Mortensen, FOCAP and WECAN, welcomed Amy as staff liaison.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Schwedhelm adjourned the meeting at 5:52 PM.

Approved on:

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Kali Mahre  
Recording Secretary