

City of Santa Rosa

City Hall, Council Chamber 100 Santa Rosa Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Climate Action Subcommittee Regular Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Schwedhelm called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Present: 2 - Tom Schwedhelm and Chris Rogers

Absent: 1 - Julie Combs

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Schwedhelm announced that All Electric Reach Codes would come back to Council in October.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 JUNE 11, 2019 - DRAFT MINUTES

Approved as submitted.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Schwedhelm opened public comments at 4:05 p.m.

Gail Goodbread spoke regarding the Climate Action planning process.

Abigail Zoger spoke regarding a climate emergency resolution.

Mayor Schwedhelm closed public comments at 4:09 p.m.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 EVERGREEN ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND: Staff will provide an analysis of the cost and benefits to move municipal electrical accounts from Sonoma Clean Power's Clean Start rate to EverGreen rates that would provide 100% local renewable power.

Assistant City Manager David Guhin introduced the item.

Claire Myers from Water and Rachel Ede from Transit presented.

Assistant City Manager David Guhin opened discussion on item 5.1 at 4:24 p.m.

Aleka Seville from RCPA joined the discussion to answer questions from the Committee.

Mike Churgin spoke regarding EverGreen and local solar projects.

Steve spoke regarding solar incentives and overall considerations of EverGreen.

Debbie McKay spoke regarding usage projections and cost reductions.

Kevin Conway spoke regarding climate as a priority.

David Walker spoke regarding centralized power.

Tish Levee spoke regarding EverGreen rates and usages.

Chris Thompson spoke on prioritizing EverGreen and reducing CO2 levels.

Abigail Zoger spoke on creative energy savings and spending locally.

June Brushares spoke on the necessity of research related to EverGreen.

Daisy spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan.

Mayor Schwedhelm closed public comments at 4:51 p.m.

Assistant City Manager Jason Nutt opened discussion on energy

efficiency implementation in operations.

The Committee discussed timelines and logistics for implementing the Climate Action Plan.

Direction from the Committee on the Climate Action Plan will tentatively go to the City Council in August 2019.

5.2 ZERO WASTE PLAN PRESENTATION

Claire Wilson & Garth Schultz with R3 Consulting Group presented the Zero Waste Master Plan and answered Committee questions.

Council Member Rogers recommended continuing the subcommittee discussion on this item.

Mayor Schwedhelm opened public comments at 6:01 p.m.

Diane Wheeler spoke on suggested timeline concerns.

The second speaker questioned implementation capacity.

Christine spoke on consumer waste reduction.

Daisy spoke on organic waste and public waste receptacles.

Mayor Schwedhelm closed public comments at 6:09 p.m.

Mayor Schwedhelm would like to bring this item back to a later subcommittee meeting.

5.3 FUTURE ITEMS AND MEETING SCHEDULE FREQUENCY

BACKGROUND: Subcommittee and staff will discuss future items and meeting schedule frequency.

This item was continued to a date uncertain.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schwedhelm adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Approved on: September 3, 2019

S/Nicole Trupiano, Recording Secretary