



**Climate Action Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes - Draft**

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Council Member Okrepkie called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

Present (2): Council Member Okrepkie and Council Member Banuelos

Absent (1): Chair Fleming

2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449 (IF NEEDED)

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 June 4, 2025 - Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

The June 4, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Deputy Director Peter Martin introduced Alicia Quilici, Sustainability Coordinator, who will be taking over the Staff Liaison role for Climate Action Subcommittee.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 SONOMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND CLIMATE AUTHORITIES (SCTCA) INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING ON BAY AREA REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK (BAYREN) PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

Sonoma County Transportation and Climate Authorities (SCTCA) Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) staff will provide an informational briefing on BayREN resources for residential, commercial,

and municipal decarbonization and a status report on BayREN program activities in City of Santa Rosa. The committee may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

Anna Oliva, BayRen Program Specialist, presented and answered Subcommittee questions.

Public Commenter spoke regarding indoor air quality testing for particulates and how those particulates can affect children especially those with asthma.

6.2 GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Planning and Economic Development staff will provide a general overview of code modifications to address the recently adopted Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategies. Staff will also provide an overview of the code amendment process and identify specific changes that will incentivize the reduction of fossil fuel usage. Feedback received during the presentation will inform future code adoptions. The committee may discuss and provide direction to staff.

Gabe Osburn, Director, Planning & Economic Development, Jimmy Bliss, Chief Building Official, Planning & Economic Development, and Amy Nicholson, Supervising Planner, Planning & Economic Development presented and answered Subcommittee Member questions.

6.3 2026 CLIMATE ACTION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

At the April 2, 2025 Climate Action Subcommittee Meeting, direction was provided to staff to prepare a quarterly meeting schedule for 2026. The subcommittee will review the proposed schedule for 2026 and may provide feedback or further direction to staff.

Peter Martin, Staff Liaison, provided the 2026 Climate Action Subcommittee meeting schedule.

Council Member Okrepkie provided feedback that the May 6, 2026 meeting date will conflict with the City Council Budget Sessions.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7.1 UPCOMING MEETINGS LIST - NOVEMBER 2025

Peter Martin, Staff Liaison, presented the upcoming meetings list.

Public Commenter asked that an item regarding green regenerative urban agriculture mitigation for greenhouse gases be brought forward.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Okrepkie adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m.