

City of Sunnyvale

Meeting Minutes - Draft Climate Action Plan 2.0 Advisory Committee

Thursday, January 25, 2018

6:30 PM

Washington Park Building, 840 W. Washington Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wickham called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Member Mandy Abend

Member Anne Ashini Fernando

Member John Cordes
Member Sue Harrison
Member Sue Serrone
Member James Tuleya
Member Drew Wenzel

Member Kristel Wickham

Absent: 3 - Member Marie Curtis

Member Stephen Joesten

Member Padmavathy Mahadevan

CAC alternate members Andrew Ma, Jasneet Sharma, and Douglas Kunz – Present

Andrew Ma arrived at 6:40 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

18-0092 Approve the Climate Action Plan 2.0 Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2017

Sue Harrison, CAC member, moved, and James Tuleya, Vice Chair, seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2017 meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Member Ashini Fernando

Member Cordes
Member Harrison
Member Serrone
Member Tuleya
Member Wenzel
Member Wickham

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Member Curtis

Member Joesten
Member Mahadevan

Abstain: 1 - Member Abend

Mandy Abend, CAC member, abstained as she was not present at the December meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Brunkhorst, representative of Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates (SUFA), urged the CAC to consider including actions related to tree preservation and planting in CAP 2.0, noting that the City needed to allocate specific staff and resources for planting more trees to meet the goals set forth in the City's Urban Forestry Management Plan.

Michael Goldman, Sunnyvale City Councilmember, urged the CAC to consider mandating solar panels on new residential and commercial construction. He noted that continued emphasis on solar electricity was critical to motivate utilities like PG&E to further create storage to address the duck curve (which represents California's electricity load vs. generation profile).

GENERAL BUSINESS

18-0090 Review of CAP 2.0 Online Challenge Platform

Scott Shigeoka, Senior Community Designer at OpenIDEO, previewed the CAP 2.0 online "Innovate Climate Action in Sunnyvale" challenge platform to the CAC. The Challenge platform is a website where community members can contribute ideas on how to empower our community to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Mr. Shigeoka

explained the intention of the platform, how it functions, and how the CAC can help promote it.

CAC members expressed enthusiasm for the use of a creative platform and asked clarification questions of Mr. Shigeoka.

Vice Chair Tuleya observed, and several CAC members concurred, that the four opportunity areas for submitting ideas (i.e., energy, mobility, consumption, and data and technology) did not encompass land use issues, which can be critical considerations for climate action. Jasneet Sharma, alternate member, stated that "mobility" was a technical term that could encompass issues related to both transportation and land use but may not be apparent to the general public. Vice Chair Tuleya recommended that the mobility category be clarified to specify that it includes land use, or that staff should consider adding another category for efficient land use. Mr. Shigeoka clarified that opportunity areas can be added even after the Challenge begins; he also shared that a higher number of opportunity areas often overwhelms users. Staff noted that they would confer with OpenIDEO to consider this suggestion.

Nupur Hiremath, Sustainability Coordinator, clarified that CAC members can log into the platform and read ideas submitted by the community. However, to ensure compliance with the Brown Act, CAC members cannot engage with the platform i.e., they cannot like, share, or comment on ideas posted by the community. CAC members may bring forward any ideas submitted to the platform for discussion at a future CAC meeting, pending the discretion of the Chair. Elaine Marshall, Interim Regulatory Programs Division Manager, also clarified that ideas from the platform would be reviewed by staff and the consultants after the Challenge ends, and these ideas would be brought to the CAC for its input, although the exact methodology for this process is to be determined.

<u>18-0091</u> Discussion of key focus areas and strategies for CAP 2.0

Chair Wickham led the discussion of the key focus areas and specific strategies recommended by CAC members as a part of the review of CAPs of other cities (San Francisco, Portland, and Santa Monica). Each CAC member shared the strategy that they found to be the most creative or innovative and the strategy that they think will be the most meaningful for and applicable to Sunnyvale. Members provided clarifications and feedback on each other's selected strategies.

Elaine Marshall noted that staff would share the compiled spreadsheet of CAC

feedback once the consultant, DNV-GL's, analysis of it was complete. The CAC's input would also be considered by DNV-GL in their technical analysis.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wickham adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.