



COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022
VIRTUAL MEETING WITH NO PHYSICAL MEETING LOCATION
6:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Hicks.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Committee members Abe-Koga, Showalter, and Chair Hicks.

Absent: None.

3. **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Motion—M/S Showalter/Abe-Koga—Carried 3-0—To approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022 meeting.

4. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Bruce England commented on his work with the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition on active transportation and equity, particularly for seniors and youth, and encouraged the City to focus on these areas in the development of the Active Transportation Plan.

Kevin Ma commented that the meeting was not available on Legistar or YouTube; the only way to access the meeting was through Zoom.

James Kempf commented on Menlo Park's partnership with BlocPower and encouraged the City to provide regular updates on the status of any similar partnerships.

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS—None.**

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 POSTPANDEMIC TRAVEL PATTERNS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Transportation Manager Ria Lo presented on current Bay Area travel patterns and the impacts of return to work. The presentation also covered opportunities to continue supporting sustainable modes of transportation during this next phase of the pandemic and hybrid work. Transportation Manager Lo and Public Works Director Dawn S. Cameron responded to the Committee's questions.

Speaking from the floor in support and/or with recommendations:

- Bruce England
- Mary Dateo

The Committee discussed this item.

6.2 SEA LEVEL RISE COLLABORATION

Assistant Public Works Director Lisa Au presented an update on four capital improvement projects related to sea level rise. Chief Sustainability and Resiliency Officer Danielle Lee presented on current opportunities for greater collaboration on sea level rise and resilience at the County and regional levels. Ms. Au and Ms. Lee responded to the Committee's questions.

Speaking from the floor in support and/or with recommendations:

- Holger Isenberg
- Bruce Naegel
- James Kempf

The Committee discussed this item.

6.3 CARBON-NEUTRAL TARGET DATE

Chief Sustainability and Resiliency Officer Danielle Lee presented a proposal to develop an accelerated carbon neutrality goal (from 2045 to 2035) using a hybrid approach that would use a phasing of goal-setting and implementation planning and

targeted feasibility and cost analysis to develop a roadmap of strategies to reach this accelerated goal. Ms. Lee responded to the Committee's questions.

Speaking from the floor in support and/or with recommendations:

- Hala Alshahwany
- James Kempf
- Bruce Naegel
- Bruce Karney
- Mary Dateo

The Committee discussed this item.

Motion—M/S Showalter/Abe-Koga—Carried 3-0—To approve using a hybrid approach to develop a carbon neutrality roadmap to reach an accelerated target date.

7. COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee thanked staff for their efforts.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

These Minutes are hereby submitted for approval by Danielle Lee.

Approved on _____.