Sustainability Task Force Agenda



A Committee of the Chico City Council Mayor Ann Schwab, Chair

Meeting of January 9, 2012 – 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Council Chamber Building, 421 Main Street, Conference Room No. 1

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 12-5-11 TASK FORCE MEETING (Exhibit "A").

2. TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE.

Chair Schwab will update the Task Force on membership changes by introducing Krystal Tonga, who will be a new student representative to the Task Force, and informing the Task Force that Jim Stevens has submitted his resignation.

3. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

Chair Schwab is requesting that the Task Force members indicate their preference on serving on the following Ad-Hoc Subcommittees of the Task Force:

- Education and Outreach
- b. Business Outreach
- c. Adaptation and Resilience
- d. Solid Waste and Waste Reduction
- e. Transportation

2. CONSIDERATION OF A POSSIBLE PLASTIC BAG BAN ORDINANCE

The Task Force will continue the discussion from its 12/5/11 meeting on whether Chico should consider adopting an ordinance to ban "single-use" plastic bags. The Task Force is requested to provide a recommendation to the City Council on whether to pursue such an ordinance. A report summarizing the suggestions and comments received at the 12/5/11 meeting is attached as Exhibit "B."

3. <u>CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM COUNCILMEMBER SORENSEN THAT THE TASK FORCE</u> ESTABLISH A POLICY TO IMPROVE THE PUBLIC NOTICING OF MEETINGS.

Councilmember Mark Sorensen has requested that the Task Force consider establishing a policy to set formal guidelines on when to post meeting agendas. A copy of Sorensen's request, the Administrative Policy and Procedure 10-10 (AP&P 10-10), and a table providing a two-year history of when previous Task Force meeting agendas have been posted are attached as Exhibit "C."

4. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS - No Action Required

- a. <u>Update on the Sustainable Business Recognition Program</u> The Business Outreach Ad-Hoc Committee will provide an update on the Sustainable Business Recognition program.
- b. <u>Update on the Right 2 Recycling Program</u> Staff will provide an update on the Right 2 Recycle multifamily recycling program and the opportunity to apply for a Beverage Container Recycling grant to expand the program.
- c. <u>"Spare the Air Week"</u> At the 12/5/11 meeting, a citizen requested that the Task Force consider sending a letter to Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) to support and to participate in an alternative transportation campaign during this year's "Spare the Air" week, similar to what was conducted in 2007. Chair Schwab is forwarding this request to the Task Force's Education and Outreach Ad-Hoc Committee.

5. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Members of the public may address the Task Force at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda, with comments being limited to three minutes. The Task Force cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

6. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – The meeting will adjourn no later than 7:30 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2012, unless otherwise noticed

ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit "A": 12-5-11 Meeting Minutes Exhibit "B": Plastic Bag Staff Report

Exhibit "C": Public Meeting Noticing Request

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