



CHICO
CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021 - 6:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL CENTER – 421 MAIN STREET – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Chico

CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION

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2. Determine by a two-thirds vote, or by a unanimous vote if less than two-thirds of the Climate Action Commission is present, that need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the City subsequent to the agenda being posted.

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CITY OF CHICO
CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, APRIL 8TH, 2021
Municipal Center - 421 Main Street - Council Chambers - 6:00 pm

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: *This meeting is being conducted in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20. Members of the public may virtually attend the meeting using the City’s WebEx platform or by sending an email to the following email address.*

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Event #: 187 090 0005

Password: Climate2021!

Call-in #: 1-214-459-3653 **Call-in Password:** 187 090 0005

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call

2. CONSENT AGENDA

*All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the Climate Action Commission. A member of the public may request that an item be removed, provided the item does not relate to a noticed hearing which has been closed to further public comment. **Items removed from the Consent Agenda will be considered immediately following the approval of the Consent Agenda.***

2.1. Approval of Minutes

March 11th, 2021 (Attachment A).

3. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

3.1. Building Electrification Workshop

The City’s Climate Action Plan Update consultant, Rincon Consultants, as well as guest speakers will present pros and cons of building electrification, and community members will have an opportunity to

share their thoughts with the commission and staff. A representative from PG&E will discuss electrification reliability considerations and the ability to meet future demand. Additionally, a local developer will share a recent experience in building an all-electric residential project in Chico.

4. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

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

5. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

These items are provided for the Commission 's information. Although the Commission may discuss the items, no action can be taken at this meeting. Should the Commission determine that action is required, the item or items may be included for action on a subsequent posted agenda.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the Adjourned Regular Meeting of Thursday, May 13th, 2021.

CITY OF CHICO
CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2020
Municipal Center - 421 Main Street - Council Chambers - 6:00 pm

Commissioners Present: Cheri Chastain, Chair
Mark Stemen, Vice Chair
Michael Nelson
Rebekah Casey
Kirk Monfort
Dave Donnan

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Brendan Vieg, CDD Director
Molly Marcussen, Associate Planner
Austin Powell, CivicSpark Fellow

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Commissioners and staff were present as noted above.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approval of Minutes

Vice Chair Stemen moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Nelson seconded. *Minutes approved 4-0-2.*

3. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

3.1. CAP Funding and Finance Discussion

Nick Gower from Human Impact Profit (HIP) gave a presentation regarding potential funding and finance options for proposed CAP measures (**Attachment A**). The commission provided feedback to HIP which included: highlight the most probable funding strategies, highlight business opportunities for local power generation, add notes on what grants/loans are least competitive and incorporate local knowledge on solar projects in Chico's disadvantaged communities.

3.2. Draft CAP Outline Review

Rincon Consultants presented the draft CAP outline and draft document design with the commission. This was a preliminary discussion and the commission will have the opportunity to comment on the CAP design more closely at future meetings.

3.3. CivicSpark Initiative Update

CivicSpark Fellow Austin Powell provided the commission with a regular update regarding his effort to develop long-term strategies for mitigating anticipated local impacts of climate change.

4. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

Katy Toma from the Chamber of Commerce said she would be happy to help distribute the Climate Adaptation Survey.

5. **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

Associate Planner Molly Marcussen informed the commission the recruitment for the Climate Action Commission was extended until April 12th.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn at 7:26 to the Adjourned Regular Meeting of Thursday, April 8th, 2021.

AGENDA

New Building Electrification in the City of Chico

Public Workshop

Via WebEx

April 8th, 2021

6:00 – 8:00

6:00 – 6:10

Climate Action Commission Meeting Open

6:10 – 6:15

CAP Update Overview

Brendan Vieg, Community Development Director

6:15 – 6:30

Overview of New Building Electrification

Ryan Gardner, Climate Action Program, Rincon Consultants, Inc.

6:30 – 6:45

Electrification Feasibility and Reliability on PG&E's Grid

PG&E Representative

6:45 – 7:00

Electrification in Chico

Chuck Tatreau, Chico Developer

7:00 – 8:00

Community Discussion