

**TOWN OF FAIRFAX
CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE (CAC)
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

DATE, TIME, PLACE:

Sunday, January 21, 2024, 10:00 AM, at the Fairfax Women's Club

Purpose: Annual Committee Planning Retreat

CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Timms called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

ROLL CALL

- CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jody Timms (Chair), Joe Hewlings (Vice Chair), Sheryl Shakeshaft, Liz Gottlieb, Bruce Ackerman (Council Liaison, Acting Secretary)
- CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Patrick Costello
- STAFF: none
- GUESTS: Neil Kraus

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- Was read by Vice-Chair Hewlings

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

- Motion to approve the agenda and affidavit of posting. AYES all.

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

- None; not required for special meetings.

2023-2024 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN-REVIEW PROGRESS TO DATE

Using a draft document of the Annual Action Plan (to be presented to Council after June 30, 2024), progress in these areas was discussed:

- Engagement
 - The library has had some limitations as an event host, no hybrid events
 - Movies/speakers at the Women's Club, as were often presented by Sustainable Fairfax, might be something to consider. Sheryl suggested Citizens Climate Lobby as potential speakers
 - Web site – Can we have our own, and do we have the bandwidth anyway? Bruce can talk with Heather about this
 - Discussion of Brown Act constraints
- Built Environment
 - Bruce reported on MarinCAN meeting and Pavilion project
 - Countywide Electrification Roadmap – CAC will review and discuss in March
 - Point of sale energy audits – is there any state that is a model for this?
- Transportation

- Regarding possible interest by Marin Transit in charging in Fairfax, suggestion that Bruce talk with Chance (as TAM representative)
- Sequestration
 - Composting – also staff-led, not much CAC needs to do but support it

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REVIEW OF 2024-2025 DRAFT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Using a draft Plan document, these comments were added:

- Engagement: add an item for Tabling – may need to pay for Farmer’s Market or other events – budget \$500.
- Built Environment: the energy disclosure requirements for properties at time of sale should also consider rentals (Joe said this has been the biggest benefit in the UK); add Green Homes Tour, case studies or mobile education unit, with a suggested budget of \$5000
- Transportation: add an item to support programs to incentivize commuter programs, similar to San Rafael as reported by Liz. \$8000 suggested; regarding EV charging at multifamily housing, Level I and II chargers should both be the focus
- Sequestration: it was noted that the budget the drafting of a Tree Plan would be the Town’s, not CAC’s; Liz described a recycling non-profit, Ridwell, in the East Bay

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Timms adjourned the meeting at 1:13 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED by Bruce Ackerman, acting secretary.