



Agenda

Sustainability Task Force

A Committee of the Chico City Council

Meeting of Thursday, October 9, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

Municipal Center - 421 Main Street, Conference Room No. 1 in the Council Chambers

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
2. **APPROVE SEPTEMBER 11, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**
Draft 09/11/14 minutes attached.
3. **Q&A WITH CITY'S RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE MANAGER REGARDING STATUS OF CAP ACTIONS AND OTHER STATE MANDATES**
4. **PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**
5. **IDENTIFY AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE STF MEETINGS**
6. **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.
7. **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**
These items are provided for the Task Force's information. Although the Task Force may discuss the items, no action can be taken at this meeting. Should the Task Force determine that action is required, the item or items may be included for action on a subsequent posted agenda.
8. **ADJOURNMENT**
Next meeting will be Thursday, December 11, 2014.

ATTACHMENT: Draft 09/11/14 STF Meeting Minutes

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Dave Donnan
Mike Rubio, Vice Chair

Ryne Johnson
Mark Stemen, Chair

William Loker

**CITY OF CHICO SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
September 11, 2014**

Municipal Center
421 Main Street
Council Chambers, Conference Rm. 1

STF Members Present: Mark Stemen, Chair
Mike Rubio, Vice Chair
Cheri Chastain
Dave Donnan
Ryne Johnson
William Loker
Lucas Ross Merz

STF Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Brendan Vieg, Principal Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stemen called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. STF members and staff were present as noted.

2. APPROVE JULY 31, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes were approved (6-0-1, Chastain abstained) as submitted.

3. DEVELOP A TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Planner Vieg summarized that the STF met at the sub-committee level, prioritized efforts and programs that will best implement the CAP and help the City achieve its GHG emission goals, and develop those priorities into Council recommendations. The ad hoc sub-committees shared their Council recommendations with the full STF for its consideration and action.

Energy Sub-Committee

STF member Stemen provided an overview of the Energy Sub-Committee's recommendations. STF members and staff discussed the California Green Building Code, the difference between mandatory and voluntary measures, and City's current enforcement

of the Code. Key voluntary measures include: planning and design, energy efficiency, water efficiency and conservation, material conservation and resource efficiency, and environmental quality.

The STF discussed which voluntary measures of the Green Building Code would provide the most benefit towards addressing GHG emissions.

STF member Chastain recommended that the STF's recommendation to Council include City adoption of voluntary Green Building Code measures that would further the City's GHG emissions reduction goal. STF member Stemen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 7-0.

STF member Loker recommended that the STF's recommendation to Council include City consideration of building fee incentives (e.g., reduced fees) for alternative energy installations. STF member Chastain seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 7-0.

After STF and staff discussions regarding the City of Boulder's effort to address GHG emissions, the STF directed that additional information be gathered regarding Boulder's efforts, including educational material, its carbon tax, staffing, and projects initiated. This information is to be shared with STF at its next meeting.

Solid Waste Sub-Committee

STF member Johnson provided an overview of the Energy Sub-Committee's recommendations.

The STF and staff discussed what recommendations the STF has already made to Council regarding the ongoing Solid Waste, Recycling and Other Services Franchise Options effort. The group also discussed recent Council direction to the City's consultant, R3, regarding development of the draft Franchise Options document.

STF member Merz recommended that the STF's recommendation to Council include direction that the under development 'Solid Waste, Recycling and Other Services Franchise Options' document include all relevant actions and concepts from the City's adopted Climate Action Plan, and that any future franchise agreement provide an opportunity to incorporate new technology that would further the Climate Action Plan's goals. STF member Donnan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 7-0.

The STF and staff discussed the status of City's efforts in implementing and enforcing new state regulations requiring recycling at multi-family residential projects and at commercial/industrial sites (CAP Solid Waste Sector Actions 1.1 and 1.2). There were a number of unanswered questions regarding the status of the City's efforts, so it was agreed

that the City's Recycling and Solid Waste Manager Linda Herman would attend the next STF meeting to respond to questions.

Transportation Sub-Committee

STF member Merz provided an overview of the Transportation Sub-Committee's recommendations. The sub-committee placed a lot of emphasis on the City continuing to pursue ongoing efforts like grant funding for more multi-modal facilities, and implementing new parking standards on development projects.

STF member Merz recommended that the STF's recommendation to Council include amendments to the City's development standards (Title 19) to require EV fueling stations for new parking lots of a certain size, and that City-owned Downtown parking lots be retrofitted to include EV fueling stations. STF member Chastain seconded the motion, which passed (6-0-1, Johnson absent).

The STF also requested that 1) a representative of CalWater attend a future STF meeting to discuss ongoing water conservation efforts, and 2) solar providers attend a future STF meeting to share any barriers and disincentives that might exist to solar installation.

Finally, several STF members requested that going live with the City's Sustainability Website is a priority, and that they would like it be available to the public as soon as possible.

4. ENERGY UPGRADE CALIFORNIA PROGRAM INFORMATION

Chair Stemen shared with the STF information provided from the Energy Upgrade California Program.

5. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no business from the floor.

6. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

There were no reports or communications.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business from the STF, the meeting adjourned at 7:17pm to the **meeting of Thursday, October 9, 2014.**

Date Approved

Mark Wolfe, AICP, Community Development Director