



Memorandum

Date: 10/6/2020

Meeting of: Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services

File No. CM 20-288

Type: Committee Memo

TO: Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services

FROM: Mayor Angela Birney

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TITLE:

Discussion of Climate Emergency Declaration

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

During the September 15, 2020, Business Meeting, Council adopted the Environmental Sustainability Action Plan and began discussions to develop a climate emergency declaration. The climate emergency declaration discussion history and associated documents are outlined below:

Date	Action/Description	Document Reference
9/15/2020 Business Meeting	Declaration discussion initiated; discussion continued to 9/22/2020 Study Session.	Climate Emergency Declaration Draft - Version 1 (Attachment A)
9/22/2020 Study Session	Declaration discussion with request for comments on Version 2 draft; discussion continued to 10/6/2020, Parks and Human Services Committee of the Whole.	Climate Emergency Declaration Draft - Version 2 (Attachment B)
9/30/2020	Councilmember Kritzer comments on Version 2 draft	Councilmember Kritzer Comments on Version 2 draft (Attachment C)
9/30/2020	Staff comments on Version 2 draft	Staff Comments on Version 2 draft (Attachment D)
10/1/2020	Councilmember Forsythe submitted Climate Emergency Declaration Draft - Version 3 based on 9/22/2020 Study Session discussion	Climate Emergency Declaration Draft - Version 3 (Attachment E)
10/1/2020	Staff comments on Version 3 draft	Staff Comments on Version 3 draft (Attachment F)

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☒ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
Environmental Sustainability Action Plan, Community Strategic Plan
- **Required:**
N/A
- **Council Request:**
During the September 22, 2020, Study Session, Council requested time during the October 6, 2020, Parks and Human Services Committee of the Whole meeting to workshop language for a climate emergency declaration.
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

Adoption of a climate emergency declaration.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

The climate emergency declaration has no direct cost impacts.

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☒ **N/A**

Budget Offer Number:

N/A

Budget Priority:

N/A

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:

N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
9/10/2019	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Receive Information
9/17/2019	Business Meeting	Approve
11/19/2019	Business Meeting	Receive Information
12/10/2019	Study Session	Receive Information
3/10/2020	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Receive Information
4/14/2020	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Receive Information
6/2/2020	Business Meeting	Receive Information
7/14/2020	Study Session	Provide Direction
8/11/2020	Study Session	Provide Direction
9/8/2020	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Provide Direction
9/15/2020	Business Meeting	Approve
9/22/2020	Study Session	Provide Direction

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
TBD	Business Meeting	Approve

Time Constraints:

N/A

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: 9/15/2020, Climate Emergency Declaration Draft Language - Version 1
Attachment B: 9/22/2020, Climate Emergency Declaration Draft Language - Version 2
Attachment C: 9/30/2020, Councilmember Kritzer Comments on Version 2
Attachment D: 9/30/2020, Staff Comments on Version 2
Attachment E: 10/1/2020, Climate Emergency Declaration Draft Language - Version 3
Attachment F: 10/1/2020, Staff Comments on Version 3