



The Committee on Energy and the Environment Agenda Report

January 26, 2022

Item 4

**SUBJECT: REVIEW THE FINAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN 2.0 AND MAKE A
RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City's draft Climate Action Plan (CAP 2.0) and draft Initial Study- Negative Declaration (IS-ND) were in circulation for public review and comment from November 19 through December 21, 2021. On December 15, 2021, the Committee on Energy and the Environment (Committee) reviewed the draft documents and on December 21, 2021, the City Council reviewed the documents. Staff has reviewed and implemented feedback from the Committee and Council and input received through the public comment period as appropriate. Staff presents the final CAP 2.0 and IS-ND for review by the Committee. After almost two years of work, the Committee is requested to consider providing its formal recommendation on adoption of the CAP 2.0. The Committee's recommendation will be presented to City Council as they take action on the CAP 2.0 in February.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests the Committee's review the final CAP 2.0 and IS-ND and seeks a formal recommendation to the City Council. Staff suggests the Committee recommend approval and adoption of the CAP 2.0 and IS-ND.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The CAP 2.0 process has been nearly a two-year effort as detailed to the Committee on December 15, 2021 and described in the final CAP 2.0 (Attachment 1). Representing a culmination of the process, a draft CAP 2.0 and draft Initial-Study Negative Declaration were prepared and in public circulation from November 19, 2021, through December 21, 2021. While the information included in the draft CAP 2.0 was reflective of the public process, the intent of the public comment period was to continue to implement community input, ensure the document accurately represents the direction to date, confirm the document achieves initial CAP 2.0 objectives, and allow an opportunity to implement further refinements/adjustments to the draft document.

During the public review period, staff publicized the plan through social media, the Pleasanton Weekly, TV 30, community newsletter, and project email distribution lists. The plan was also shared with implementation partners and interest groups (e.g., StopWaste, Zone 7, PG&E, etc.) that have participated throughout the CAP 2.0 process. Additionally, there were three opportunities to provide comments verbally at a Community Meeting on December 2, 2021, a Committee on Energy and the Environment hearing on December 15, 2021, and a City Council hearing on December 21, 2021. Correspondence received during the public review period is summarized and attached for reference (Attachment 3). Staff received feedback across all sections of the plan.

Staff has implemented several modifications to the draft CAP 2.0 in response to the comments and feedback received and prepared a final CAP 2.0 and IS-ND (Attachment 1 and 2).

Ultimately, the final CAP 2.0 document (Attachment 1) includes four sections as follows:

1. **Introduction:** This section introduces the CAP 2.0, describes CAP 1.0 progress, the shaping of the document, public process, and details the local, regional, and state context (e.g., state regulations like SB 1383).
2. **Climate Vulnerability and GHG Emissions:** This section articulates Pleasanton's vulnerability and current GHG emissions. It covers best available science and outlines the City's GHG emission reduction targets.
3. **Climate Solutions:** This section is the main policy focus of the CAP 2.0. It outlines the strategies and actions across six sectors (Buildings and Energy, Transportation and Land Use, Materials and Consumption, Natural Systems, Water Resources, and Community Resilience and Wellbeing) the City will take to reduce GHGs locally, comply with state emission reduction targets, and enhance the City's resilience to climate change. The CAP 2.0 includes 16 new primary actions and 9 new secondary actions as well as the continuation of several existing actions the City is already taking. As outlined, the City is on track to meet the 2030 GHG emission reduction target and is considered a "qualified CAP" through 2030.
4. **Implementation:** This section provides the CAP 2.0 implementation and monitoring plan. It identifies partners, resources, and a monitoring protocol. It also outlines staffing, costs, equity consideration, and phasing of CAP 2.0 actions over the next 10 years.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Pursuant to CEQA, the City prepared a final Initial Study-Negative Declaration evaluating the potential environmental impacts of the CAP 2.0. The initial study evaluated the CAP 2.0’s potential impacts to 20 environmental factors and determined that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment. The full documentation can be reviewed in Attachment 2. The City has prepared what is considered a qualified GHG Reduction Plan under CEQA through 2030.

COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests Committee review of the final CAP 2.0 and IS-ND. Staff requests a Committee recommendation to the City Council. Staff suggests the Committee recommend Council approval of the final CAP 2.0 and IS-ND.

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Attachments

1. Final CAP 2.0
2. Final IS-ND
3. Public Comments on Draft CAP 2.0