



**CLIMATE ACTION PLAN TASK FORCE
MEETING #8
MEETING MINUTES**

**May 18, 2022
6:00 PM**

Task Force Members:

- Present: Debbie Alley, Urban Carmel, Al Grumet, Greg Hildebrand, Karen Jaber, Fiona Matney, and Paul Moe
- Absent: Susan Gladwin

Staff attending: Patrick Kelly, Director of Building & Planning, and Danielle Staude, Senior Planner

Consultant attending: Christine O'Rourke, Principal, O'Rourke & Associates

Guest attending: Chris Choo, Planning Manager, Department of Public Works, County of Marin

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm by Chair Alley.

PUBLIC OPEN TIME

There were no public comments.

MEETING RECAP

It was MOVED by Task Force Member Grumet and SECONDED by Task Force Member Hildebrand to approve the April 19, 2022, minutes. The motion was carried by a 7-0 vote with None abstaining.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Task Force Member Moe suggested that the Task Force discuss wetlands.

Task Force Member Carmel announced that the Novato and San Rafael City Councils will be considering an ordinance banning gas-powered leaf blowers.

Task Force Member Grumet announced that the Earth 2050 event was a success with 1,500 people attending and will be hosted again next year.

Task Force Member Alley announced that Bike to Work Day was on Friday, May 20th.

PRESENTATION: UPDATE ON ADAPTATION COUNTY PROGRAMS. Chris Choo, Planning Manager with the County of Marin, gave a presentation reviewing historical flooding in Mill Valley and highlighting the findings from the 2017 Marin Shoreline Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment, a technical report detailing how shoreline flooding will worsen under various sea level rise and storm event scenarios. Chris also reviewed sea level rise adaptation projects in and near Mill Valley, including Bothin Marsh (in design phase), Aramburu Island (constructed in Richardson Bay 2011-2012), and Greenwood Cove Beach (in design and permitting phase).

NEW BUSINESS: SEQUESTRATION & ADAPTATION AND IMPLEMENTATION & MONITORING PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE IN THE CAP

It was **MOVED** by Task Force Member Grumet and **SECONDED** by Task Force Member Hildebrand to approve the Sequestration & Adaptation programs and Implementation & Monitoring programs as presented with the following changes:

- SA-C1: Urban Forest. Clarify that additional trees should be planted where they do not increase fire risk.
- SA-C2.4: Carbon Sequestration. Include action to evaluate the potential for carbon sequestration in aquatic environments.
- SA-C3.3: Carbon Offsets. Delete “local nonprofit” to acknowledge that other organizations may appropriate to work with.
- CE-C1: Community Education. Expand to include working with public and other non-profit organizations, not just community-based organizations.
- CE-C2: Community Outreach. Delete “communitywide” in first sentence in recognition that some outreach may be targeted.

The motion was carried by an 7-0 vote with **None** abstaining.

REVIEW OF NEXT STEPS

Senior Planner Staude said the next meeting will be held in August and will be devoted to review of the draft Climate Action Plan. The Task Force asked for the Tree Ordinance in preparation for the meeting and a discussion of the Climate Emergency Resolution to be placed on the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.