

Created At	Name	Organization or Affiliation	Agenda Item 11: Climate Action Plan - Adoption
4/6/2020 17:25	Gita Dev, Sierra Club, Sustainable Land Use Committee	Sierra Club Loma Prieta	<p>Bicycle Master Plan and Climate action Plan  Before these are finalized, we would like to request that the "Sustainable Green Streets" Concept be reviewed for inclusion in both these documents.</p> <p>While each concept included is not new, the policy of integrating these concepts into a new "Sustainable Green Street network" brings together many strands that address and affect the GOALS of both the Bicycle Master Plan as well as the Climate Action Plan. It requires a policy for departments to work together on integrated street solutions rather than in their traditional silos.</p> <p>We have forwarded, via email, a VERY SHORT presentation that would have been presented at the " Green Streets for Sustainable Communities" Symposium, organized by about 20 different groups, for March 12th - but which has been postponed to September because of COVID.</p> <p>We believe it can have a major impact on your Bicycle Master Plan and Climate Action Plan to have a Sustainable Green Streets network and policy in place.</p> <p>We look forward to working with the City of San Mateo to ensure benefits for both Plans.</p>
4/6/2020 19:15	Adam Nugent		<p>I want to briefly voice my praise for the City's Climate Action Plan. Metrics are extremely important, and we need to frame our role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions in a way that acknowledges that we are members of a single planet.</p> <p>By focusing our targets on a per capita basis we will allow San Mateo to be both a climate leader and city that welcomes future change in ways that do not pass off our regional responsibilities somewhere else. People will want to live and work in a city like ours - a city that can provide them with the ability to lead a great, low-carbon lifestyle. Let's show the world how to do it. Thank you.</p>
4/6/2020 19:58	Cliff Bargar	Urban Environmentalists	<p>I want to commend San Mateo for forming a climate action plan and particularly applaud setting goals that are per-capita, rather than absolute. As a region we need to work together to collectively lower all of our emissions; we know that the very nature of GHGs is that we can't wall off any particular jurisdiction and ignore what is going on outside our boundaries. By setting a per-capita goal San Mateo allows for future growth (which can lower regional emissions) without the potential perverse incentive of trying to hit an absolute emissions goal.</p>
4/6/2020 19:37	Nathan Chan		<p>San Mateo should be proud of its decision to evaluate its progress on reducing emissions on a per capita basis. This will ensure that future policymakers are not incentivized to raise the city's barriers to entry to level or reduce emissions. It will instead encourage those policymakers to figure out how to reduce the carbon intensity of all its citizens in an equitable and just fashion.</p>