

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

SPECIAL SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

February 18, 2015
9:00 am – 10:30 am
City Hall, Room 15

X Councilmember Bendy White, Chair
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FINISHED ACTIONS

1. Public Comment

9:00

The committee heard comment from Mayor Schneider introducing the report with recommendations from the President's State, Local and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience. The committee requested a comparison of the recommendations from President's State, Local, and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience to the City of Santa Barbara's current and planned actions on the same.

2. Mid-Year Sustainability Projects Status Report

9:05

ACTION: Receive a report on the current status of Fiscal Year 2015 Sustainability Projects.

The Committee received mid-year status updates on the Fiscal Year 2015 Sustainability Projects. Public comments were heard on Community Choice Aggregation, which would allow cities and counties to aggregate the buying power of individual customers within a defined jurisdiction in order to secure alternative energy supply contracts on a community-wide basis. The Committee gave direction to: 1) to initiate conversations between elected officials regarding support for Ventura County participating in a study to examine the feasibility of a regional Community Choice Aggregation, and 2) to bring a budget discussion to the full City Council regarding funding for the feasibility study. Additionally, staff was directed to research costs for recent similar feasibility studies prior to the Council budget discussion.

Comments were received following discussion of the Bike Corrals and the Committee encouraged staff to proceed with an additional pilot location in the Funk Zone during the 18-month pilot period.

3. Car Share Program

9:50

ACTION: Receive an update and provide input on a potential carsharing initiative that would designate parking in downtown Santa Barbara for shared vehicles and operate through a partnership with a qualified carsharing firm.

The Committee received a presentation on the potential benefits of a Car Share program for the City of Santa Barbara. A proposed Car Share Ordinance and pilot will go first to the Ordinance Committee prior to going to the City Council. Public comments were heard on this issue.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS: Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Sustainability Council Committee after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Administrator's Office located at City Hall, 735 Anacapa Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101, during normal business hours.

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