



CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Edward D. Reiskin
City Administrator

FROM: David Ferguson
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SUBJECT: Adoption of 2030 Oakland Equitable
Climate Action Plan – Supplemental
Memo

DATE: July 24, 2020

City Administrator Approval

Date: Jul 24, 2020

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council: 1) Adopt By Resolution The 2030 Oakland Equitable Climate Action Plan; 2) Receive Information On The Progress Of Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions; And 3) Adopt A Resolution Committing The City Of Oakland To Achieve Carbon Neutrality By 2045.

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL

This Supplemental Report outlines changes made to the draft final 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP) since the plan was reviewed by the Public Works Committee on July 20, 2020.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On July 20, 2020, Oakland's Public Works Committee reviewed the draft final 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP) and associated documents. Committee Chair Kalb requested certain changes to the ECAP in a Supplemental Memo dated July 17, 2020. Staff made appropriate modifications to the ECAP pursuant to the revisions requested by Councilmember Kalb, additional concerns voiced by members of the Committee and public commenters, as well as minor administrative errors discovered by staff and members of the public since the draft final plan was made available to the public on July 6, 2020.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Administrative Changes to the 2030 ECAP

In his role as Public Works Committee Chair and sponsor of the Carbon Neutrality Resolution that accompanies the 2030 ECAP, Councilmember Kalb requested certain modifications to the ECAP. The following revisions were made pursuant to Councilmember Kalb's July 17, 2020 Supplemental Memo:

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1. History of Climate Leadership (p. 3): Staff consolidated language in the introductory paragraph and added bullets to the timeline referencing creation of the Oil Independence Task Force (2006) and the Ban on Storage and Handling of Coal in Oakland (2016).
2. Public Health and the Climate Crisis (p. 6): Staff modified and added language to reference the impacts on outdoor air quality, and resulting public health consequences, related to operations at the Port of Oakland.
3. Green Economy (p. 18): Staff updated the photographs to provide a broader depiction of green jobs.
4. Wildfire Risks (p. 85): Staff rewrote narrative and added Oakland Fire Department as Lead Agency.
5. Port of Oakland (p. 121-122): Staff modified language as follows:
 - a. By 2022, adopt Develop a plan for sufficient electric charging infrastructure for yard trucks and cargo handling equipment.
6. Appendix A (p. 130): Staff added language to clarify that the ECAP ad hoc Community Advisory Committee was formed pursuant to City Council Resolution.
7. Appendix D (p. 149): Staff added introductory language explaining the relevance of concurrent City plans, the relationship of the 2030 ECAP to the 2020 Energy and Climate Action Plan, and two Actions from the 2020 Plan that are not included in the 2030 ECAP.

Staff made revisions to the 2030 ECAP pursuant to public comments and Committee discussion at the July 20, 2020 Public Works Committee as follows:

1. Wildfire risks: Staff rewrote Action A-4 to correct factual inaccuracies and provide more information about wildfire risks and the City's efforts to mitigate those risks. Via this memo, staff also clarifies that wildfire risks are addressed in numerous areas of the 2030 ECAP including:
 - a. Actions to reduce the incidence of fires by eliminating highly-flammable gas from all buildings in Oakland (Actions B-1, B-2, and B-5);
 - b. Actions to bolster and increase the health of green infrastructure, and fund proactive urban forestry maintenance (Actions A-4, A-6, CR-1, CR-2, CR-3, and CR-4, as well as inclusion of the key performance indicator "City funding dedicated to proactive urban forest maintenance and tree preservation" in the Carbon Removal section and the first three Advocacy items in the Adaptation section).
 - c. Actions to better understand, mitigate, and prepare for the impacts of all climate-related disasters, including fires and wildfire smoke (Actions A-1, A-3, A-4, and A-5).
2. Port of Oakland: Following a meeting with Port leadership on July 24, staff adjusted language on P-1 (the first of the two Port Action items) to remove the word "enforceable" and the phrase "and begin implementation," which had been added after the July 20 Public Works Committee meeting to the first three bullets, and to revert to the "develop" language for all three bullets, rather than "adopt." These changes essentially restore the bullet points to the version released prior to the Public Works Committee meeting.

In the weeks since the 2030 ECAP was posted online for members of the public to review and comment on, staff discovered minor errors, some of which were pointed out by members of the public. Staff made revisions to fix these errors as follows:

1. P. 7: Minor grammatical correction.
2. P. 22-23: Elimination of duplicate paragraph.

3. P. 24: Correction of typographical error
4. P. 26: Correction of formatting error
5. P. 76: Minor arithmetic correction above graphic.
6. P. 124: Moved Measure Q from Bonds to Taxes
7. P. 125: Corrected title of Action CL-5
8. P. 134: Correction of typographical error

FISCAL IMPACT

The revisions described above do not result in any change to the fiscal impacts of adopting the 2030 ECAP beyond those described in the original Agenda Report.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

The revisions outlined above are the result of ongoing public engagement, specifically:

- Members of the public have been able to review, comment, and post questions in the draft final ECAP in the online platform Konveio since July 5, 2020. As of July 21, 145 comments had been posted in the online document.
- More than 35 members of the public attended the Public Works Committee meeting on July 20, 2020, with more than 25 commenting.

COORDINATION

To ensure that the final 2030 ECAP is accurate and maximizes existing resources and partnerships, OPW Sustainability staff has continued to work closely with multiple City Departments, as well as divisions across OPW, to review proposed modifications and finalize language. This has included the Department of Race and Equity; Department of Finance; Oakland Public Works; Oakland Fire Department; and the City Administrator's Office.

Staff met with the Port of Oakland on Friday, July 24, to ensure that the Port Actions included in the ECAP would be acceptable to Port leadership. In discussion with five Port leaders, staff agreed to adjust language to remove the suggestion of adoption or enforcement, preserving the ability of the Port Board of Commissioners to adopt actions when they deem it feasible.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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For questions regarding this report, please contact Daniel Hamilton, Sustainability Program Manager, at (510) 238-6179.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments (5):

- A: 2020 GHG Emissions Inventory Report
- B: 2020-2030 ECAP Action Map
- C: 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan
- D: Racial Equity Impact Assessment and Implementation Guide
- E: CEQA Memo