



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

CLIMATE CHANGE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018
CITY HALL
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

MINUTES

Present: Committee members Gary Lagerloef, David McCaughey, Nora Ferm Nickum, James Rufo-Hill, Council liaison Joe Deets. On the phone: Lara Hansen

Absent: Committee members Derik Broekhoff, Jane Rein, Deborah Rudnick

Public: Heidi Madden

1. Call to order
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm.
2. New co-chair
 - James Rufo-Hill was approved as the Committee's new co-chair.
3. Approval of minutes
 - Minutes from the previous meeting (December 11, 2017) were approved.
4. Public comment
 - Heidi Madden introduced herself.
5. Greenhouse gas inventory recommendations
 - The Committee's recommendations have been presented to Council. We understand that it was put on the consent agenda for January 23 Council meeting.
6. Committee size
 - Committee members present indicated that they strongly prefer to remain a nine-person committee, with an additional Committee member appointed to replace Michael Cox.
7. Subcommittee updates
 - Electrical generation subcommittee: PSE has a [Carbon Balance Program](#) that allows individuals to offset their emissions from electricity. The funds are handled by ClimateActionReserve.org and don't go to PSE. The subcommittee will look into it further. In the future, we might want to gather and provide more information about offsets and think about the advantages and disadvantages.
 - Adaptation subcommittee: Adaptation subcommittee members will focus on the Comprehensive Plan and will consider doing a charrette about how to tie adaptation to long-term planning on the island. They will also look at lessons from the City of Seattle.
 - Transportation subcommittee: ~~No updates.~~ *Written update attached.*
 - Waste subcommittee: No updates.



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8. VW settlement comment

- We understand that the City of Bainbridge Island has submitted a letter to the Washington State Department of Ecology supporting the use of VW settlement funds to help electrify the two largest ferries in the Washington State Ferry system, which serve Bainbridge Island. The Committee had recommended that the City submit such a letter of support.

9. New business: Community education and outreach on climate change (2.37.030.C.7)

- We discussed the idea of having a climate change dialogue event. We could do it at City Hall on April 21, the day before Earth Day and the same day as the Farmers' Market.
- The Committee could be the official convener.
- We could have tabling by all groups on Bainbridge Island that are interested and involved in things related to climate change.
- Gary, David, James, and Lara will follow up.

10. February meeting

- Agenda
 - i. Make a plan for getting the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the GHG inventory completed and issued.
 - ii. Outreach and education: Plan for the spring event and follow up about graphics/posters.
 - iii. Report out on subcommittee meeting with PSE.
- Date
 - i. The co-chairs will do a new Doodle poll to set the date for the February meeting. Starting in March, we'll be back to meeting on third Wednesdays.

11. Information from the Committee's Council liaison

- The Committee's Council liaison, Joe Deets, reported that he has requested that the money that Bainbridge Islanders put into the Green Power Program (about \$125,000 per year) stay on the island for local renewable energy or energy efficiency projects.
- Joe is also interested in introducing a resolution to Council that shows support for state legislation with regard to a carbon tax, a renewable portfolio standard, UTC rules amendments, and green building codes.

12. Meeting adjourned

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.



Co-Chair 2/13/18

Transportation Subcommittee of the COBI Climate Change Advisory Committee Meeting

January 9, 2018

Present: Deb Rudnick, Jane Silberstein Rein

RESPONDING TO THE COMP PLAN MATRIX

Our last meeting indicated that we were willing to wait and see how the City staff responded to the matrix showing climate change-relevant comp plan goal and policy statements, the implementation measures for each and the status and timeline for action on each.

The matrix states that there are 3 major items within the Transportation Element: Ferries, 305 and Environment. The first two have not yet been acted upon. The third, Environment, was listed as completed based on SEPA and the Island Wide Transportation Plan work, but we are not yet clear that these efforts are fully inclusive of climate change-related goals.

Suggested actions our committee could take on these Transportation items include:

Goal: TR-3 Ferries

Attend PSRC meetings, especially transportation policy Committee and Board of PSRC (Don Wulott represents Bainbridge Island on this committee) and Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (Tirman and Medina currently represent BI). Ferry service would surely be part of both body's planning efforts.

Goal: TR-5 Route 305

Regularly attend North Kitsap Trails Association Meetings; regularly attend meetings relating to STO project (305 Working Group: Ron Peltier currently represents COBI)

Goal: TR-12 Environment

TR 12.1: City states it has completed action on these matters via SEPA review, which, to our knowledge contains no reference to climate change. More work needs to be done in response to this policy.

TR 12.2: Obtain and review Island Wide Transportation Plan and determine to what extent it addresses climate change-related actions.

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

1) Most importantly, research existing plans and planning efforts relating to transportation systems on Bainbridge Island. This means finding documents as well as determining meeting schedules of regional and state transportation planning bodies and monitor their work and/or attend meetings.

2) Research cities similar to BI (climate, population, etc.) that have notable Climate Action plans or recognition to see what's been done relative to transportation. Visit? Bring back ideas from other places and test the waters.

3) Insure CCAC liaison to these COBI committees: Multi-modal; Utility; Design Review Board; Affordable Housing; ETAC; Historic Preservation; Island Center Planning; Marine Access