

# MEETING MINUTES Yolo County Climate Action Commission March 25, 2024 | 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM

#### **COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Suzanne Reed, District 1 Appointee
Robin Datel, District 2 Appointee
Mark Aulman, District 3 Appointee
Andrew Truman Kim, District 4 Appointee (VICE-CHAIR) (not in attendance)
Adelita Serena, District 5 Appointee
Chris White, Technical Lead (not in attendance)
NJ Mvondo, Environmental Justice Lead (CHAIR)
Bernadette Austin, Climate Scientist/Subject Matter Expert (not in attendance)
Pelayo Alvarez, Climate Scientist/Subject Matter Expert
Mica Bennett – At Large
Ken Britten – At Large

#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:**

Sarah Morgan, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Carla Fresquez, UC Davis

#### **SUPERVISORS:**

Supervisor Lucas Frerichs, Yolo County Board of Supervisors, District 2 (not in attendance) Supervisor Jim Provenza, Yolo County Board of Supervisors, District 4

#### Meeting started at 4:06 PM

- 1. Land Acknowledgement (Attachment A) (Suzanne Reed)
  - B. Austin was not present. S. Reed read the Land Acknowledgement.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
  - Consider approval of the agenda

**Decision:** Approved

Approved By / Seconded By: M. Aulman/S. Reed

Ayes: S. Reed, R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Serena, NJ Mvondo, P. Alvarez, M. Bennett,

K. Britten
Noes: None
Abstain: None

Absent: A. Truman Kim, C. White, and B. Austin

# 3. Public Comment

- A member of the public shared the need for community activism to achieve Yolo County climate goals.
- A member of the public thanked Yolo County staff member Gretchen James for her work contributions to the Yolo County Sustainability Division.

# 4. Approve February 26, 2024 Commission Meeting Minutes (Attachment B)

**Decision**: Approved

Approved By / Seconded By: K. Britten/ S. Reed

Ayes: S. Reed, R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Serena, NJ Mvondo, P. Alvarez, M. Bennett,

K. Britten
Noes: None
Abstain: None

Absent: A. Truman Kim, C. White, B. Austin

# 5. Staff Announcements/Reports (Staff) (15 Minutes)

- Updates to the Long Range Calendar were provided.
- An update on the CAAP Funding and Finance Roadmap was provided.
- An update on the Spring/Summer Outreach and Tabling schedule was provided.
- An update on the CAAP Calendar Art Contest was provided.
- An update on the Agricultural Equipment Replacement Program and Electrification Retrofit Rebate Outreach Program was provided.

# **Public Comment**

- A member of the public expressed concern that the 2024-2028 Draft Yolo County Strategic Plan does not address climate goals and urged that climate be integrated into all County plans moving forward.
- A member of the public expressed concern that the updated inventory and actions of the CAAP will not be available to the public before the Thursday or Friday prior to the April 9<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting.

# 6. Consider and Approve Phasing of CAAP Measure + Action List (K. Wraithwall; J. Reed; S. Halterman; M. Hendrix) (Attachments E, F, G) (45 Minutes)

• A presentation on the Phasing of the CAAP Measures + Actions List was given.

#### **Public Comment**

- A member of the public encouraged that the phase ranking of farm renewables be raised from phase 2 to phase 1 and emphasized the importance of microgrids for the CAAP to be successful.
- A member of the public recommended that quantification be included in the proposed phasing and that data be communicated in an accessible fashion for the general public. Another comment was made expressing concern for the number of actions and the aggressive timeline to implement them to achieve the 2030 net negative carbon goal.

**Decision**: Approve

Approved By / Seconded By: S. Reed/A. Serena

Ayes: S. Reed, R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Serena, NJ Mvondo, P. Alvarez, M. Bennett,

K. Britten
Noes: None
Abstain: None

Absent: A. Truman Kim, C. White, B. Austin

# 7. Consider and Approve Additional ARP Funding Allocations (Staff) (30 Minutes)

- An update on the remaining ARP Funds Status was provided.
- A presentation for the Home Energy Score Program design and budget request was provided.
- A presentation for the Weatherization Program design and budget request presentation was provided.
- A presentation for the CAAP Tracking Dashboard recommendations and budget request was provided.

**Decision**: Approve

**Approved By / Seconded By:** K. Britten/R. Datel

Ayes: S. Reed, R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Serena, NJ Mvondo, P. Alvarez, M. Bennett,

K. Britten
Noes: None
Abstain: None

Absent: A. Truman Kim, C. White, B. Austin

## **Public Comment**

- A member of the public expressed excitement about the CAAP dashboard.
- A member of the public expressed concerns over sustainable funding to continue programs and projects.
- 8. Grant Approval to Chair to Sign Letter of Support on Behalf of Commission for the Sacramento Region's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program Application (K. Wraithwall) (Attachment O) (7 minutes)
  - Staff presented the CPRGP Letter of Support.

**Decision**: Approve

Approved By / Seconded By: K. Britten/M. Aulman

Ayes: S. Reed, R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Serena, NJ Mvondo, P. Alvarez, M. Bennett,

K. Britten
Noes: None
Abstain: None

Absent: A. Truman Kim, C. White, B. Austin

#### **Public Comment**

• No public comment at this time.

# 9. Update on Technical Advisory Committees (TACs) (7 minutes)

- An update on the discussions and progress made at the March Equity and Engagement (E&E) TAC Meeting was provided.
- An update on the discussions and progress made at the March Natural and Working Lands (NWL) TAC Meeting was provided.

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

# 10. Commission Member Reports, Comments, Future Agenda Items

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment at this time.

#### 11. Adjournment

• The meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM.

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