



County of Santa Cruz

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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MINUTES

Regular Meeting – January 23, 2013 at 5 p.m.

Board of Supervisors Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Fifth Floor

I. Roll Call/Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Present: Haifley; Herbert; Pepping; Talmadge; Culbertson; Clark; Johnson; Adelman; and Ketley

Excused Absence: Kasa.

II. Additions/Changes to Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes – December 5, 2012

Approved minutes of December 5, 2012

Motion: Pepping

Second: Culbertson

Ayes: Haifley; Culbertson; Clark; Kasa; Johnson; Adelman; Pepping; Talmadge; and Herbert.

Absent: Kasa

IV. Public Input/Oral Communications

V. Business Matters

A. Discussion to provide input for Planning Department Climate Action Strategy report to the Board of Supervisors – Planning staff

Motion approved to endorse Climate Action Strategy plan to Board of Supervisors for adoption, with additional language regarding County's risk for coastal inundation and stream/water supply erosion and to have County staff work with Monterey County and agriculture community in regional planning efforts.

Motion: Johnson

Second: Culbertson

Ayes: Haifley; Culbertson; Clark; Kasa; Johnson; Adelman; Pepping; Talmadge; and Herbert.

Absent: Kasa

B. Sustainability Manager funding/update on Board request – Planning staff

C. Follow up on question regarding hydraulic fracturing ('fracking') regulatory authority

D. Follow up on question regarding riparian corridor study

E. Updates from Commissioners (by consensus, tabled to March meeting)

- i. Climate Action Compact Working Group (Johnson)
- ii. Green Building Task Force
- iii. AMBAG Sustainable Communities, Regional Advisory Committee (Johnson)
- iv. Community Choice Aggregation (Clark/Johnson)
- v. CaliforniaFIRST (Clark)

F. Legislative recommendations

G. Annual work plan

H. Annual report for 2011-2012

Approved motion to submit report to Board of Supervisors

Motion: Johnson

Second: Clark

Ayes: Haifley; Culbertson; Clark; Johnson; Pepping;
Herbert. Ketley; Talmadge; and Adelman

Absent: Kasa

I. Set next agenda

J. Announcements

VI. Adjournment

Approved motion to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Motion: Adelman

Second: Haifley

Ayes: Haifley; Ketley; Culbertson; Clark; Kasa; Johnson; Pepping and
Herbert; Talmadge; and Adelman

Absent: Kasa

Next regular meeting is March 27, 2013