



County of Santa Cruz

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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DRAFT MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, July 31, 2024

Time: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers

701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor

I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

A. Call to Order

Call to order at approximately 5:00 PM

B. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Lee, Hunt, Ramon, Culbertson, Damhorst, Johnson

Absent: Commissioners Weiss, Woonink, Perez

Approximately 20 members of the public were in attendance

II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of May 22, 2024 meeting

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Hunt to approve the May 22, 2024 meeting minutes

Ayes: Commissioners Lee, Hunt, Ramon, Culbertson, Damhorst, Johnson

Abstain: Commissioner Lee

IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

V. BUSINESS MATTERS

- A. Scheduled Item – 5:15 PM. Presentation from Community Development and Infrastructure Department regarding Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) Implementation Objectives assignments. (45 minutes)

The Commission received a presentation from the Community Development and Infrastructure Department staff from Transportation, Special Services, and Recycling and Solid Waste Divisions regarding implementation of CAAP Objectives in their respective areas. Commissioners asked questions and discussed the subject matter.

- B. Scheduled Item – 6:00 PM. Presentation from Health Services Agency Department Water Resources Division regarding CAAP Implementation Objectives assignments. (45 minutes)

The Commission received a presentation from the Health Services Agency Department Water Resources Manager regarding implementation of the CAAP Objective to manage the County's water resources and aquifers in particular. Commissioners asked questions and discussed the subject matter.

- C. Consider Proposed Amendments to Santa Cruz County Code Section 2.54 and Bylaws for the Commission on the Environment

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Hunt to approve the proposed amendments to the County Code and updates to the Bylaws.

Ayes: Commissioners Lee, Hunt, Ramon, Culbertson, Damhorst, Johnson

- D. Discussion of upcoming items of interest on Board of Supervisors calendar

- August 27th Further updates and recommendations on County commission restructuring

- E. 3CE & Podcast Updates

Commissioner Damhorst provided an update on the podcast project and an updates on 3CE electrification incentive programs

- F. Discussion of upcoming items for the Commission's agenda

Commissioner Ramon proposed an item for the next agenda suggested by Supervisor Cummings regarding an initiative to address tobacco waste.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:09 PM