



# County of Santa Barbara

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Minute Order

June 27, 2023

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**Present:** 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 23-00582

**RE:** HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding 2030 Climate Action Plan (CAP) Development Update and Financial Analysis Options, as follows: (EST. TIME: 1 HR. 30 MIN.)

- a) Receive and file an update on the development of the draft 2030 CAP;
- b) Provide direction to staff on any changes to the draft 2030 CAP;
- c) Provide direction to staff regarding the 2030 CAP greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goal, as follows:
  - i) Retain the Board-adopted goal to reduce unincorporated County GHG emissions 50% by 2030 (below 2018 baseline levels) and direct staff to incorporate the actions necessary to achieve the goal in the draft CAP; or
  - ii) Adopt a new goal to reduce unincorporated County GHG emissions 40% by 2030 (below 2018 levels) and maintain the CAP as currently drafted;
- d) Provide direction to staff regarding potential options to expand the scope and amount of the existing Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc. for climate action planning services for the purpose of conducting additional financial analysis on the costs to implement the 2030 CAP, as follows:
  - i) Conduct County Government Cost Analysis (Cost range: \$45,000.00-\$60,000.00);
  - ii) Conduct Community Cost Analysis (Cost range: \$25,000.00-\$35,000.00); and/or
  - iii) Conduct Green Economy and Employment Analysis (Cost range: \$35,000.00-\$55,000.00); or
  - iv) No further analysis; and
- e) Determine that the above-recommended actions do not constitute a project and are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), as they are organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. When projects and programs



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proceed to implementation, they may be subject to environmental review under CEQA.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

*HEARING TIME: 2:20 PM - 3:58 PM (1 HR. 38 MIN.)*

**Received and filed staff presentation and conducted a public hearing.**

**A motion was made by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Hartmann, that this matter be acted on as follows:**

- a) Received and filed;
- b) Provided;
- c) i) **Provided direction to staff to retain the Board-adopted goal to reduce unincorporated County GHC emissions 50% by 2030 and directed staff to incorporate the actions necessary to achieve the goal in the draft CAP;**
- c) ii) **No action taken;**
- d) i) and ii) **Provided direction to staff to conduct a County Government Cost Analysis and to conduct a Community Cost Analysis and return to the Board when appropriate;**
- d) iii) and iv) **No action taken; and**
- e) **Approved.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino