



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: General Services
Department No.: 063
For Agenda Of: 06/01/2010
Placement: Set Hearing
Estimated Tme: 30 minutes on 06/22/10
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority to Set Hearing

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: General Services Bob Nisbet, Director (560-1011)
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (568-3096)
SUBJECT: Set a Department Hearing for June 22, 2010 Regarding Staff Report on the County Sustainability Action Plan, All Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Select_Concurrence N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set a Departmental hearing for June 22, 2010, to receive staff report regarding the County Sustainability Action Plan.

Summary Text:

In order to assist the state in meeting the goals of AB 32, to comply with SB 97 and SB 375, and to prepare for any emerging Federal climate legislation, the County has prepared a Sustainability Action Plan. Santa Barbara County recognizes that climate change has the potential to dramatically affect our businesses and residents, as well as other communities around the world. Santa Barbara County also recognizes that local governments play a significant role in the efforts to reduce GHG emissions and mitigate the potential impacts of climate change. There are numerous actions that can lessen the emissions from our governmental operations, including: increasing energy efficiency in our vehicle fleets and buildings; demonstrating the use of clean, renewable energy sources; implementing vehicle transportation plans that reduce usage; encouraging waste reduction, and joining the Santa Barbara SCE and PG&E Partnerships.

The benefits from these actions include lowered energy bills, improved air quality, reduced emissions, economic development, and an improved quality of life throughout the County of Santa Barbara.

Background:

Sustainability Action Plan

Santa Barbara Energy Efficiency Partnership Program

On August 01, 2006, the County Board approved, passed and adopted Resolution No. 06-00732 supporting and endorsing the 2006-2008 Santa Barbara Energy Efficiency Partnership program making the County a Program Participant with Southern California Edison (SCE). Later on October 3, 2006 approval was granted authorizing the Chair to execute the Program agreement between the County and SCE. Since our involvement, the Partnership has provided outreach to Santa Barbara businesses in the form of training and lighting retrofits and several residential programs including Holiday Light Exchange, Refrigerator and Freezer Pickup, Lamp Exchange and Compact Fluorescent Giveaways.

North County Energy Watch Partnership Program

On February 12, 2008, the County Board approved, passed and adopted Resolution No. 08-044 supporting and endorsing the Energy Watch Partnership program and approving the County as a Program Participant with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E). Santa Barbara County and PG&E were the primary partners and provided outreach to Santa Barbara businesses in the form of training, lighting retrofits and Compact Fluorescent Giveaways.

On March 17, 2009, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 09-059 which committed the County of Santa Barbara to take immediate, cost effective and coordinated steps to reduce the County's collective Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions in order to protect the community from the effects of climate change and implement programs to comply with the State of California's greenhouse gas reduction goals.

Performance Measure: None

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: None

Budgeted: No

Attachments: None

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