



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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### MINUTES

February 10, 2021

**PRESENT:** Vice-Chair David Goldemberg, and Committee Members Dick Gaiser, James Maddox, and Jim Phelan

**ABSENT:** Chair, Anaiah Kirk

**STAFF:** Quincy Yaley, Community Development Department Director

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#### CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

Vice-Chair Goldemberg called the meeting of February 10, 2021, to order at 10:00 a.m.

Vice-Chair Goldemberg asked staff to roll call the Commission.

Chair Kirk: Absent

Vice-Chair Goldemberg: Aye

Committee Member Gaiser: Aye

Committee Member Maddox: Aye

Committee Member Phelan: Aye

Vice-Chair Goldemberg indicated that there was a quorum.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

##### 1. Reports:

#### PUBLIC FORUM:

Vice-Chair opened the 15 minute public comment period, during which anyone wishing to could come forward and address the Commission on any item not on the Agenda.

1. Randy Hanvelt suggested that the Committee review, endorse and possibly have the Board of Supervisors (BOS) write a letter in support of AB 297, which addresses wildfire mitigation. He also suggested having Tuolumne County Association of Realtors (TCAR) give a presentation to the Committee on a Wildfire Protection Plan.
2. John Pierce gave an overview of his company which addresses water systems.
3. John Buckley gave an overview of Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions (YSS). He explained that YSS is a collaborative group working to assist the United States Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Yosemite National Park, and private land managers in achieving healthy forests and watersheds and in developing recovery and restorations plans for the Rim Fire and other areas in need of rehabilitation.

## **NEW ITEMS:**

### **1. TUOLUMNE COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN PRESENTATION**

Quincy Yaley, Community Development Department Director, gave overview of the Climate Action Plan. She noted that in April 2020 the County entered into an agreement to prepare a Climate Action Plan which was a requirement of the 2018 General Plan Update. She noted the County modified the scope of work to include a study of the County's vulnerability to climate change and provide effective and specific adaptation strategies and actions to mitigate the climate risks, helping the County address future risks to infrastructure. She noted that on February 25, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. they would be having a public forum workshop for the community.

Hannah Kornfield, Ascent Representative, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Climate Action Plan. She noted that broader goals for the Climate Action Plan is to align the County with statewide greenhouse gas reduction goals as well as integrate climate adaptation and focus on climate resiliency. She noted that Ascent has conducted a greenhouse gas emissions inventory for 2019 and using the inventory to forecasted emissions.

Mr. Buckley raised concerns regarding the forecasted emission levels.

A discussion ensued on the inventory for greenhouse gas emissions.

Ms. Kornfield discussed the importance of community engagements with agency stakeholders like Cal Fire to develop a prioritization matrix where we can weigh certain factors and identify what the co benefits such as improved air quality and water quality.

Dana Baker noted that she would like to see improved resiliency to climate impacts be a main goal rather than a co-benefit.

Ms. Kornfield noted that in the Climate Action plan will seek to both mitigate greenhouse gas emission, but also adapt to climate change.

Nora De Cuir, Kerns and West Project Representative, gave a review of the community engagement strategy for the Climate Action Plan.

Mr. Buckley asked if Ascent has helped create a Climate Action Plan for regions similar to Tuolumne County. He suggested providing a link where county agencies and the public could see what has already been implemented.

Jim Phelan asked if they could have a hard copy of the Climate Action Plan presentation for Ascent.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice-Chair Goldemberg adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,

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