



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE ACTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 AT 4:00 PM OKANAGAN LAKE ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER)

PRESENT: Councillor Guy
Mayor Cumming
Barry Dorval, Educators & Inst. - Primary & Secondary Rep.
Jenn Comazzetto, SD22 Rep.
Casey Bain, Youth Member
Donna Bartel, Community at Large Rep.
Sid Kwakkel, Educators & Inst. - Post Secondary Rep.

ABSENT: Jenna Boone, Youth Member
Patrick Riley, Okanagan Indian Band
Casey Neathway, Health and Social Services Rep.
Stephanie Hendy, Community at Large Rep.
Jordan Hart, Business and Commercial Services Rep.
Buffy Baumbrough, Science, Tech. & Environmental Services Rep.

STAFF: Kevin McCarty, Specialist, Climate Action
Jennifer Pounder, Records/Committee Clerk

ORDER The meeting was called to order at 4:17 p.m.

**LAND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** *As Chair of the City of Vernon's Climate Action Advisory Committee (CAAC), and in the spirit of this gathering, I recognize the City of Vernon is located in the traditional territory of the Syilx people of the Okanagan Nation.*

**ADOPTION OF THE
AGENDA** Moved by B. Dorval, seconded by J. Comazzetto:

THAT the agenda of the September 25, 2024 Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting be adopted:

CARRIED.

**ADOPTION OF THE
MINUTES** Moved by B. Dorval, seconded by J. Comazzetto:

THAT the minutes of the July 31, 2024 Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting be adopted:

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COUNCIL UPDATE

Councillor Guy provided the Committee with an update on City Council business.

STAFF UPDATE

K. McCarty provided a staff update.

**SUBCOMMITTEE
UPDATES**

B. Dorval provided a subcommittee update.

Moved by B. Dorval, seconded by D. Bartel:

THAT the Climate Action Advisory Committee recommends that City Council direct City Administration to provide the Climate Action Advisory Committee with regular, detailed updates on the status of the Official Community Plan and Transportation Plan renewal process.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

**COMMUNITY CLIMATE
ACTION OUTREACH
STRATEGY
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Moved by B. Dorval, seconded by J. Comazzetto:

THAT the Climate Action Advisory Committee recommends that City Council authorize the release of up to \$900,000 from the Local Government Climate Action Program funding reserve to enable the Long Range Planning and Sustainability Department to develop and deliver the climate action community outreach initiatives in the report titled "City of Vernon Community Climate Action Outreach Strategy Recommendations" dated September 25, 2024, being provided on table and respectfully submitted by the Specialist, Climate Action.

CARRIED.

Moved by J. Comazzetto, seconded by D. Bartel:

THAT the Climate Action Advisory Committee recommends that Council support the creation of a full time, temporary Project Coordinator position in 2025, funded by the Local Government Climate Action Program reserve, as presented on table in the report titled "City of Vernon Community Climate Action Outreach Strategy Recommendations" dated September 25, 2024 and respectfully submitted by the Specialist, Climate Action.

CARRIED.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Climate Action Advisory Committee is set for November 27, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Climate Action Advisory Committee adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


_____ Chair