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UNAPPROVED DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE
CITY OF SEBASTOPOL
MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2026

CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE:

The notice of the meeting was posted on August 6, 2026.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Ocon called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Chair Emily Ocon,
Committee Member/Councilmember Phill Carter,
Committee Member Steve Pierce,
Committee Member Kenna Lee,
Committee Member Lila Newton,
Committee Member Sunny Galbraith (arrived late)

Absent: Committee Member Mark Szatmari

Staff: Tori Henkel, Permit Technician

3. STATEMENTS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 14, 2026

Committee Member Lee made a motion to approve the minutes of July 14, 2026, as submitted.

Chair Ocon seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0-1-2

Ayes: Committee Members Carter, Lee, Newton, Chair Ocon

Noes: None

Abstain: Committee Member Pierce

Absent: Committee Members Szatmari, Galbraith

6. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT

7. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

8. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Zero Waste Grant was discussed.

B. Volunteer Opportunities were discussed.

- a. August 23 - Farmers Market Booth**
- b. September 13 - Meadowlark Field Birdboxes (Laguna Foundation)**
- c. September 19 - Laguna Clean-Up Day**
- d. September 19 - International Coastal Clean-Up Day**
- e. September 20-26 - Creek Week**
- f. September 21-27 - National Pollution Prevention Week**

C. Week Without Driving was discussed.

D. Lowering Age of Youth Applicants to 15

Committee Member Lee made a motion to formally ask the City Council to lower the age of accepted Climate Action Committee youth applications from 17 to 15.

Committee Member Newton seconded the motion.

VOTE: 6-0-0-1

Ayes: Committee Members Carter, Pierce, Lee, Newton, Galbraith, Chair Ocon

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Committee Member Szatmari

E. Working Groups Report Out was discussed

F. Chair Report was skipped, as nothing to report

G. Member Announcements were given

H. Input from Members Regarding Next Meeting Agenda was discussed

I. Review of Action Items was conducted

9. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Ocon adjourned the meeting of the Sebastopol Climate Action Committee at 4:57 p.m. The next regular Climate Action Committee meeting will be held on September 8, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.