



**WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
Municipal Climate Change Action Plan (MCCAP) Committee Agenda
February 10, 2021 – 10:00am
Virtual Meeting (Zoom)**

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- 2.0 Approval of Agenda and Additions**
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PRESENT: Councillor Debbie Francis, Chair
Councillor Rupert Jannasch
Councillor Jeff Hart, Vice-Chair
Melissa Sheehy-Richard, Resident Member
Saira Shah, Planning Designate
Madelyn LeMay, Director of Planning and Development
Shelleena Thornton, Protective Services Designate
Rob Butler, Public Works Designate
Kathy Kehoe, Director of Community Services
Casey Parker, Sustainability Planner

STAFF: Vanessa Lake, Planning Meeting Secretary

REGRETS: Mark Phillips, CAO
Greg Pace, Resident Member

PUBLIC: There were no members of the public present.

Call to Order and Identification of Designates.

Chair Francis called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Committee members identified their MCCAP designation.

Approval of Agenda and Additions

Planning Designate Shah suggested that items 5.1 and 5.2 be switched so that Sustainability Planner Casey Parker could present first. Moved by Planning Designate Shah and seconded by Resident Member Sheehy-Richard that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Protectives Services Designate Thornton and seconded by Public Works Designate Butler that the minutes be approved as circulated.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

New Business

GHG Emissions Reports and Recommendation (Casey Parker)

Sustainability Planner Casey Parker gave a presentation regarding the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) inventory report and the milestone progress for the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program. For Milestone 1, Ms. Parker presented the findings of the report, which gave a baseline forecast for both corporate and community emissions. The data used for corporate emissions was from 2018-2019 and 2016 for community emissions. The report outlined emissions based on categories and the predicted reduction for 2030 based on a "business as usual" scenario.

Moved by Councillor Hart and seconded by Resident Member Sheehy-Richard that:

MCCAP Committee recommends that Council complete Milestone 1 of the PCP Program by submitting the *Regional Corporate and Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory Report*.

Motion carried.

For Milestone 2, Ms. Parker presented a series of options for emission reduction targets. These options were based on corporate and community targets implemented by other jurisdictions and the data from Milestone 1. These targets will be achieved by implementing actions to reduce emissions. WSP developed a background report on actions that will be used to create a local action plan and complete Milestone 3.

Ms. Parker presented four (4) scenarios for both corporate and community emissions. The committee discussed these options and many committee members wished to set aggressive targets that align with Provincial objectives.

Moved by Resident Member Sheehy-Richard and seconded by Councillor Jannasch that:

MCCAP Committee recommends that Council set a reduction target for corporate emissions of 45% from 2018/2019 by 2030 and community emissions of 45% from 2016 by 2030.

Motion carried.

Councillor Hart had a question concerning insulation and municipal regulations, and Director LeMay informed the Committee that the energy code will likely be updated in December of 2021. This is a topic of interest and will be brought forward by staff in a future meeting.

Coastal Flood Planning (Saira Shah)

On January 21, 2020, the former MCCAP Committee discussed the potential impact of coastal flooding on development and requested additional information on flood proofing measures, insurance, and damage assessment. Planner Shah brought this requested information to the new Committee. Planner Shah presented four (4) options for both existing and new buildings regarding what kind of development would be allowed in a flood prone area. Types of flood proofing, both temporary and permanent, were explained. Planner Shah also gave examples of insurance policies in other areas regarding flooding incidents and how damage would be assessed. The Committee discussed the options presented at length. For new buildings, the Committee agreed it would be best to allow certain buildings only with flood proofing. For existing buildings, the Committee would like a combination of options; allow existing buildings to be rebuilt but not expand after flood events, based on damage, and allow existing buildings to be rebuilt and expanded if flood proofing is incorporated into the design.

Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous topics to discuss.

Adjournment / Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for April 7th, 2021. Due to time conflicts with other meetings, the next MCCAP meeting will begin at 11:00am instead of 10:00am.

Moved by Resident Member Sheehy-Richard and seconded by Councillor Hart that the meeting adjourn at 11:33am. Motion carried.