

City of Santa Clara

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Agenda Report

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REPORT TO COMMISSION

SUBJECT

Introduction of Sustainability Manager for the City of Santa Clara.

BACKGROUND

Sustainability pervades all aspects of development in a city, from the type, location, and intensity of land uses to actual materials for building and landscaping. All of these components have a direct effect on the local and regional environment. By implementing sustainable measures and policies, Santa Clara can reduce its contribution to global climate change, minimize reliance on oil and other fossil-fuels and decrease consumption of natural resources.

Santa Clara has been a leader in sustainable development for more than 40 years, and the City's residents want to see these efforts continue as the City moves forward. The City has collaborated on regional efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to conserve water and energy resources, to recycle both waste and wastewater, and to expand transit-oriented and sustainable development opportunities.

DISCUSSION

Michelle Templeton, Sustainability Manager for the City of Santa Clara will discuss her new role, and the Sustainability Program for the City.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("ECQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund for the current action.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Parks & Recreation Commission agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov or at the public information desk at any City of Santa Clara public library.

RECOMMENDATION

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Welcome the new Sustainability Manager and listen to the presentation.

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