

## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** May 10, 2021

**TO:** City Commissions

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**SUBJECT:** Climate Action and Adaptation Plan Update, May 2021

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### **Recommendation**

1. Informational
2. Requesting Commissioner engagement and participation in the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) process, including completing the online survey #1 and attending upcoming workshops as identified below.

### **Background**

Information related to the CAAP process is typically posted on the website within a week following events or product completion, at <https://www.cityofdavis.org/sustainability/2020-climate-action-and-adaptation-plan-caap>.

Currently, the April 22 Introductory Workshop YouTube video is posted online. There were over 100 attendees, who participated in an introductory CAAP conversation to:

- Understand why Davis is undertaking this plan
- Learn more about actions we can take to reduce our carbon footprint and prepare for extreme events
- Provide input and share ideas to shape climate actions
- Learn about additional opportunities for input

Additional community outreach will include online surveys, workshops, ambassadors to small socially-distanced group meetings of targeted community members ('meetings in a box'), and when appropriate, tabling at community events such as Farmers Market (pop-up meetings).

### **Upcoming events and information for you to put on your calendar**

**Online Survey:** now posted and open until May 30 in English and Spanish. Please provide your input now if you have not already taken the survey, and share on your social media posts and contacts.

***Cool Davis Coalition meeting:*** May 19, 2021 4:30 pm

The CAAP project management team will present an overview of the CAAP planning process and the importance of community input. Equitable, inclusive and measurable CAAP priorities will identify a roadmap to carbon neutrality by 2040. A panel of experts and stakeholders will discuss specific areas of greenhouse gas emissions reduction that may emerge, including transportation, building energy, consumption issues (water and waste), urban forestry and housing, to name a few.

***City Workshop: Community Resilience & Equity,*** May 27, 2021, time TBD (6:30 pm)

This is an opportunity to have a community conversation about resiliency and deepen our understanding of the issues and values of equity, inclusion and cultural diversity in the Davis context. This workshop follows the May 21, 2021 *World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development*, a day set aside by the United Nations as an opportunity recognize the values of community and to learn to live together in harmony.

**City Commission Input**

The Natural Resources Commission (“NRC”) is the primary Commission receiving regular CAAP updates from the project management team. Other commission liaisons to the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) have been appointed from the Bicycling, Transportation and Street Safety Commission, the Senior Citizen Commission and the Utilities Commission. CAAP updates to the NRC are scheduled at the beginning of the agenda for all commission meetings remaining in 2021.

Members of all Commissions have a range of opportunities to provide input into the CAAP, including:

1. Members will receive updates and/or informational staff reports at regularly scheduled meetings from their Commission staff liaison;
2. Members can appoint a Commission liaison to the NRC and that liaison can provide additional updates at regularly scheduled meetings;
3. Members can agendaize the CAAP as a regular agenda item (via the regular agenda-setting process managed by the Commission Chair and Commission staff liaison) and discuss recommendations that can be sent to the CAAP project management team; and
4. Members can comment as individuals through the CAAP webpage and/or at any of the community workshops and/or on-line surveys noted in the table above.

Due to time and budget constraints, the CAAP project management team cannot provide regular in-person updates to all the City’s Commissions. Staff believes the above input opportunities will allow all members of the City’s various Commissions to stay informed and provide valuable input into this project.

**Background**

This information was provided in a previous staff report to commissions and is repeated here. The 2020 CAAP Update supports recent Davis City Council actions to establish climate action and carbon reduction policies to accelerate the Davis carbon neutrality goal to a 2040 target and identify a road map to achieve these reductions. The 2020 CAAP will also bring the city into compliance with current state legislation. The CAAP website has a significant amount of information, including the Scope of Work and announcements about upcoming community events:

<https://www.cityofdavis.org/sustainability/2020-climate-action-and-adaptation-plan-caap>.

The city staff liaison to each Commission is being kept informed of the CAAP development progress, in order to give periodic updates, and to provide information about CAAP stakeholder outreach opportunities. Commissioners are encouraged to participate throughout the CAAP process through a variety of options or to contact the CAAP Project Management Team by email at [CAAP@cityofdavis.org](mailto:CAAP@cityofdavis.org).