



City and County of San Francisco  
Commission on the Environment  
[Policy Committee](#)\*

**MEETING MINUTES DRAFT**

**Monday, November 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.**  
**Remote meeting via web conference**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Commissioners Mike Sullivan (Chair), Elmy Bermejo, and Johanna Wald.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Public comment will be taken before the Committee takes action on any item.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Mike Sullivan and Johanna Wald.

Excused: None.

Absent: Commissioner Elmy Bermejo.

**2. Review and vote on whether to approve Resolution File 2022-06-COE-PC, Resolution Making Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e).** Speaker: Kyle Wehner, Commission Affairs Officer. (Explanatory Document: Resolution File 2022-06-COE-PC) (Discussion and Action)

There was no public comment.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Sullivan and a second by Commissioner Wald, the resolution was approved without objection. (Ayes: Commissioners Sullivan and Wald; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Bermejo)

**3. Approval of minutes of the October 3, 2022, Commission on the Environment Policy Committee meeting.** (Explanatory Document: October 3, 2022, Meeting Draft Minutes) (Discussion and Action)

Upon a motion by Commissioner Wald and a second by Commissioner Sullivan, the minutes were approved without objection. (Ayes: Commissioners Sullivan and Wald; Noes: None; Absent: Commissioner Bermejo)

There was no public comment.

**4. General Public Comment.** Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.

There was no public comment.

5. **Director's Update.** Speaker: Tyrone Jue, Acting Director. (Discussion)

Tyrone Jue, Acting Director, discussed a California Energy Commission grant to fund electric vehicle charging in Bayview-Hunters Point. Tyrone Jue also discussed an upcoming report by the UC Berkeley Center for Law, Energy & Environment on long-term funding for the Climate Action Plan.

There was no public comment.

6. **Update on Greenhouse Gas Inventory.** Speakers: Cyndy Comerford, Climate Program Manager, and Stephanie Lee, Climate Program Assistant Coordinator. (Discussion)

Cyndy Comerford, Climate Program Manager, presented on 2020 Community-wide Emissions Inventory.

Commissioner Sullivan and Cyndy Comerford discussed the data collection process and carbon emissions in San Francisco compared to emissions in other cities. Commissioner Sullivan and Cyndy Comerford also discussed transitioning from fossil fuels in the building and transportation sectors, and Direct Access services. Commissioner Sullivan and Stephanie Lee, Climate Program Assistant Coordinator, discussed estimating emissions inventory more efficiently and estimating emissions in surrounding cities.

Commissioner Wald and Cyndy Comerford discussed the importance of estimating emissions and whether it should be completed annually or biennially.

Commissioner Sullivan and Cyndy Comerford discussed data collection to monitor process on Department goals. Cyndy Comerford and Tyrone Jue discussed aspects of the Department's emissions dashboards.

Commissioner Wald discussed highlighting successes from the inventory report. Cyndy Comerford discussed a new marketing campaign and the need for additional time and resources.

There was no public comment.

7. **Update on All-Electric New Construction Ordinance Implementation and Review of Department of Building Inspection Report on Exceptions to Building Code Section 106A.1.17.** Speaker: Barry Hooper, Senior Green Building Environmental Coordinator. (Explanatory Documents: Staff Memo and Board of Supervisors File No. 200701) (Discussion)

Barry Hooper, Senior Green Building Environmental Coordinator, presented on the All-Electric New Construction Ordinance.

Commissioner Wald, Barry Hooper, and Tyrone Jue discussed lawsuits related to similar ordinances in other cities.

Commissioner Sullivan and Barry Hooper discussed applications without mechanical details featured in the presentation.

Commissioner Sullivan and Barry Hooper discussed gutted buildings and whether they fall within the scope of the ordinance.

Commissioner Wald and Barry Hooper discussed the sale of buildings and whether it falls within the scope of the ordinance.

Public Comment: Jed Holtzman expressed concerns related to exceptions for new construction projects.

8. **Presentation on the EnergyAccess SF Program.** Speaker: Cara Bautista-Rao, Senior Energy Specialist.  
(Discussion)

Tyrone Jue introduced Cara Bautista-Rao, Senior Energy Specialist. Cara Bautista-Rao presented on EnergyAccessSF and the local partnership with PG&E.

Commissioners Sullivan and Wald expressed disappointment over the program's end. Commissioner Wald discussed drafting a letter from the Commission urging PG&E not to end this program.

Commissioner Sullivan and Cara Bautista-Rao discussed aspects of audits and referrals.

Commissioner Wald discussed the need to focus on historically marginalized residents.

Commissioner Sullivan stated that the Commission should act to support the program.

There was no public comment.

9. **New Business/Future Agenda Items.** Speaker: Charles Sheehan, Chief Policy and Public Affairs Officer.  
(Discussion)

Charles Sheehan, Chief Policy and Public Affairs Officer, discussed future meeting dates and potential agenda items.

There was no public comment.

10. **Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.