



## City of Oakland

### Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP) Community Advisory Committee [ad hoc]

#### Special Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Via Teleconference

Committee Members: Najee Amaranth (Co-Chair), Nicole Bratton (Co-Chair), Ryder Diaz, Anne Olivia Eldred, Barbara Haya, Jhamere Howard, Navina Khanna, Jody London, Ryan Schuchard, Susan Stephenson, Tyrone “Baybe Champ” Stevenson Jr., Dominic Ware, Jacky Xu. Alternates: Brian Beveridge, Bruce Nilles

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#### 1. Call to order, Roll call / Determination of quorum

6:00 – 6:05

- Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM by Co-Chair Najee Amaranth.

Committee Members	Present	Excused
Najee Amaranth	X	
Nicole Bratton	X	
Ryder Diaz	X	
Anne Olivia Eldred	X	
Jhamere Howard	X	
Barbara Haya	X	
Navina Khanna	X	
Jody London	X	
Ryan Schuchard	X	
Susan Stephenson	X	
Tyrone “Baybe Champ” Stevenson Jr.		X
Dominic Ware	X	
Jacky Xu	X	

Alternates	Present	Excused
Brian Beveridge	X	
Bruce Nilles	X	

#### 2. Approval of draft meeting minutes (Attachment A)

6:05 – 6:10

*Seek motion to adopt the June 23, 2020 ECAP ad hoc Community Advisory Committee Meeting minutes*

➔ **Motion to adopt the June 23 minutes made by Najee; Ryder seconds**

- *Roll call: All in favor.*

- Ryder and Anne Olivia would like to have the Youth vs. Apocalypse resolution (**Attachment B**) shared from the 6/23 meeting included in the meeting minutes. Anne Olivia to send the resolution to Shayna to include in the minutes for this meeting.

**3. Public comment** **6:10 – 6:22**

- Ember, member of NLC, commended the improvements from the ECAP stemming from community input. She shared that community input must be continued throughout implementation, the Racial Equity Impact Assessment and Implementation Guide (REIA) must be adopted, a commission must be adopted to hold the City accountable throughout implementation, a democratic participatory process must be involved in the Oakland Climate Action Network (OCAN), and change “explore” to “create” in Action CL-4.
- Lisa Jacobs, staff from Councilmember Kalb’s office, thanked the Committee for their work and expressed Councilmember Kalb’s desire to see the Port section strengthened.
- David Ralston, a member of OCAC, expressed disappointment to not see the community recommendations expressed in a signed OCAC letter sent to City staff in the ECAP. Also hopes that ad Hoc Committee can serve a similar oversight role in ECAP implementation.

**4. Agenda modification** **6:22 – 6:27**

No motions for agenda modification were made.

**5. Chair’s Report** **6:27 – 6:37**

- Nicole shared an incident involving community member, Miesha Singleton, who fell victim to a hit-and-run accident at 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Cherry Street intersection. She proposed to rename the intersection as “Miesha’s Crossing” and designate it a safe zone to prevent any further accidents, and asked about the available resources and protocols in moving forward with the renaming.
  - Jody and Daniel suggested first contacting Councilmember Reed’s office, as this intersection is located in his district. Staff will send information to Committee members on how to proceed with contacting the appropriate staff for this measure. Nicole will send background information on what’s already put in place and how the Committee can collaborate on supporting the renaming.
- Anne Olivia read the letter from OCAC (**Attachment C**) and will send the letter out to the Committee.
  - Navina suggested using this letter to strengthen the Committee’s letter to the City Council.

**6. Staff Update/Responses to Process Questions** **6:37 – 6:45**

- Daniel stated Yvonna, staff member from the Mayor’s office, is on the line and will take questions for the Mayor verbally. In response to the public commenting process questions, he explained that the requirements and period for accepting public comments are determined by the City Clerk, City Administrator, and the City Attorney. Staff receive direction from the chain of command on the period of accepting public comments.

**7. Further Changes to Port Section** **6:45 – 7:00**

- Daniel explained City leadership’s decision to reinstate the Port actions:

- ECAP now includes two Actions regarding the Port as written prior to the initial exclusion, except with the addition of “The City of Oakland recommends that the Port Board of Commissioners” at the beginning of each Action.
- The City Attorney’s Office added this text because under the City Charter, the Council does not have the authority to require the Port to make changes to its operations.
- Anne Olivia asked Councilmember Kalb’s staff what CM Kalb would like to see strengthened in the Port section.
  - Lisa Jacobs responded CM Kalb would like to include enforceable language, e.g. changing “develop a plan” to “to adopt a plan” in regard to the first bullet point under P-1.
- Anne Olivia asked about the equity considerations for the Port Actions.
  - Shayna shared the REIA analysis of each Port Action.
  - Anne Olivia called for adopting the REIA and strengthening the language for the Port with clear targets and/or mechanisms to make these Actions enforceable.

**8. Letter to City Council regarding ECAP Adoption (Attachment D) 6:50 – 7:30**

- Jody explained the Committee letter to City Council.
- Nicole asked about the protocols and speedbumps Committee would encounter to make edits to the ECAP.
  - Shayna responded that the ECAP has already been submitted, so changes cannot be made at this point prior to the Public Works Committee hearing. Shayna expressed that substantial changes may delay the ECAP timeline and go over budget for the City’s consultant teams. She also reiterated the direction from the Department of Finance that the wording for Action CL-4 cannot be changed due to the inability of the City to form a Public Bank on its own, the lack of sufficient liquidity, the absence of a viable feasibility analysis, and other challenges.
- Navina called for strengthening the language around establishing OCAN in the letter to Council.
- Anne Olivia emphasized the need to include the full adoption of the REIA, and requested strengthened language in the letter in a way that doesn’t delay adoption of ECAP.
- Susan pointed out that there is a national NGO called the Climate Network that may prompt a name change to OCAN.
- Barbara recommended using the results and reports from the Equity Facilitator process to guide the ECAP implementation.
  - Nicole asked Barbara to email exact language on adding that item.
  - Shayna noted that the EF reports are on the City website and will be maintained on the ECAP website, and that their findings are incorporated in the Racial Equity Impact Assessment.
- Jody stated the letter to City Council must be completed by the end of this week in time for Public Works Committee meeting on Monday. She also shared that there is new state legislation being discussed around community banks that may help solve the issues arisen from the Department of Finance.
- Nicole asked to add Barbara’s suggestion to the letter.
  - Anne Olivia will send Shayna an updated letter that includes the following points:
    - Full adoption of the REIA as well as the founding documents as guidance for the Council
    - Request for stronger targets and goals
    - Request for a dedicated funding source

- Request to center concepts of equity and enforceability in the form of metrics
  - Nicole asked to change the word “support” to “ensure” in the letter
    - Anne Olivia noted language cannot be changed in the ECAP, but the Committee can request stronger targets. Anne Olivia will work with staff on how much strengthen this language.
- Brian asked how a public bank relates to the ECAP and for clarification on the dedicated funding source for the ECAP.
  - Daniel answered that staff projected the analysis for the public bank will come from the General Fund.
  - Brian stated that he would like to see reallocated funding to achieve these goals of the ECAP, and a broad shift in budget priorities. The ECAP should be guiding departments in their budgeting decisions.
  - Anne Olivia will work with Brian to include this concept into the letter to Council.
  - Daniel noted that Action CL-1 describes how the ECAP will run across the City budgets, and is specifically targeted to incorporating climate considerations across all City budget decisions. He also pointed to the funding section in the back of the ECAP that includes resources and numbers that may be helpful, and he will be available to field questions outside the meeting.

➔ **Anne Olivia moves to make conservative changes necessary to the letter to reflect the following feedback:**

- **Full adoption of REIA, including founding documents**
- **Emphasis on establishing a local network that has been referred to as OCAN**
- **Dedicated funding source (Brian and Anne Olivia to work on the exact language)**
- **Enforceability and strengthening of language in the Committee’s letter to advise Council to strengthen language in the ECAP regarding the Port and the bank**

➔ **Navina seconds.**

- *Roll call: All in favor except Jody who left the meeting earlier and Jacky whose vote was unheard.*

**9. ~~Additional Discussion on ECAP and REIA as needed~~ ~~7:30~~ ~~7:55~~**

**10. Next Steps: Discussion 7:55 – 8:00**

- Nicole asked if the Committee has anything to say to the Mayor’s office.
  - Susan expressed appreciation for the Port Action items being put back in.
  - Navina expressed hope that the Mayor’s office will take the ECAP seriously and move to dedicate resources to make it happen.
  - Brian emphasized that the Port Commission needs to have a community-based representation so that Port policy reflect needs of the Committee.
  - Anne Olivia expressing looking forward to presenting ECAP themselves as a Committee, and offered the Committee as a resource to the Mayor’s office. Anne Olivia also emphasized the importance of the REIA in the City’s work going forward.
  - Nicole called for the Mayor to ensure that an implementation committee is established including members of the ad hoc Committee.

➔ **Motion to extend meeting until done, Nicole seconds**

- *No roll call took place.*

- The Committee continued expressing gratitude to the membership of the Committee and the City staff working closely with the ECAP.

**11. Adjourn**

**8:00**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.



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**1. Call to order, Roll call / Determination of quorum 6:00 – 6:05**

- Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Co-Chair Najee Amaranth. Susan Stephenson joined in at 6:10 PM, and Brian Beveridge joined in at 6:27pm.

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Najee Amaranth	X	
Nicole Bratton		X
Ryder Diaz	X	
Anne Olivia Eldred	X	
Jhamere Howard		
Barbara Haya	X	
Navina Khanna	X	
Jody London	X	
Ryan Schuchard	X	
Susan Stephenson	X	
Tyrone “Baybe Champ” Stevenson Jr.		X
Dominic Ware		X
Jacky Xu		X

<b>Alternates</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Brian Beveridge	X	
Bruce Nilles	X	

**2. Approval of draft meeting minutes (Attachment A) 6:05 – 6:08**

*Seek motion to adopt the February 25, 2020 ECAP ad hoc Community Advisory Committee Meeting minutes*

➔ **Motion to adopt the February 25 minutes made by Jody; Anne Olivia seconds**

- *Roll call: All in favor.*

**3. Public comment**

**6:08 – 6:20**

- Carrie Ramirez, of Youth vs. Apocalypse, read statements from youth in the organization.
- David Ralston, a member of Brower Dellums Institute and city planner, commended all efforts on the ECAP and the journey thus far. Ralston said that there are critical gaps that committee should consider in the ECAP:
  - Community priorities have not been fully incorporated (i.e. public bank, no deliverables or targets on food systems, not enough resilience hubs, lack of land use maps)
  - ECAP should be an element in General Plan
  - Oversight Equity Council to see across implementation of ECAP
  - Connect to ‘Defund OPD’ budget for funding stream to implement the ECAP

**4. Agenda modification**

**6:20 – 6:23**

➔ **Motion to move Youth vs. Justice (prev. Agenda Item 8) to the beginning of the meeting made by Anne Olivia; Najee seconds**

- *Roll call: All in favor.*

**5. Youth vs. Apocalypse**

**6:23 – 6:28**

- Anne Olivia introduces Carrie and Carolyn from Youth vs. Apocalypse who read a statement/resolution

➔ **Motion to support the Youth vs. Apocalypse resolution made by Anne Olivia; Navina seconds.**

- *Roll call: All in favor except Jody and Barbara who abstained, and Brian who was present but was not called to vote. Motion passes.*

**6. Changes to Port of Oakland section in the ECAP**

**6:28 – 6:50**

- Daniel explained direction from the City Administrator to remove Port actions and only reference the Port’s two existing plans: Seaport Air Quality 2020 and Beyond Plan and the West Oakland Community Action Plan (WOCAP). Shayna discussed with the EF team and leadership at WOEIP prior to the Committee meeting, and explained that the rewritten Port section affirms the City’s commitment to pursuing WOCAP implementation in alignment with ECAP goals and principles.
- Committee asks whether there is time to update the ECAP?
  - No more chances to change draft before committee consideration.
- Committee asks whether there is timetable for future updates to the ECAP?
  - Plan doesn’t specify regular updates, will be direction of Council or City Administration.
- Brian Beveridge explained WOCAP, and encouraged the Committee to become engaged with the Port’s decision-making due to the significant climate and GHG emissions impact of the Port’s activities. Encouraged Committee members to look at WOEIP and WOCAP for Port-specific items, and overlap between Port strategies and the ECAP. Stressed that there is now a window of opportunity because the Port Commission has been

sympathetic to West Oakland climate impacts. Brian feels that City cannot reach GHG goals without reducing emissions at the Port.

- Jody London calls for focus on practical aspect of the committee’s advisory role given the City administration direction.
- ➔ **Motion to write a Committee letter to the City Council, Mayor, City Administrator, Port Commission, and the Port Executive Director expressing disappointment that Port Actions were removed from the ECAP, and expectation that the Port continues to work with the City on alleviating its impact on surrounding communities made by Jody London; Anne Olivia seconds.**
- Committee discussion followed on overall disappointment and need for explanation from the City Administrator on the decision to omit Port Actions from the ECAP. The Committee further asked:
  - About the legal authority of bypassing the public comment process,
    - Daniel answered that staff will find out and report back to the Committee.
  - Whether the existing Port plans fall short of the removed ECAP Port Actions,
    - Daniel confirms Port plans likely fall short of original ECAP goals.
  - And whether the Committee’s objection to the process that took place and the content of the Port section of the ECAP can be included in the staff report.
    - Daniel answered the staff report has already been finalized, but staff can request that the ad hoc Committee be included in the presentation.
- ➔ **Motion to write the letter discussed above before the Council meeting, and include that the Committee objects to the handling of the situation in the Staff PowerPoint presentation to Council made by Najee. No Committee member seconded the motion.**
  - **Roll call: All in favor.**
  - The Committee designated members who will write the letter: Jody, Ryan, Barbara, Anne Olivia, and Brian. Jody will send an email.
- ➔ **Motion to schedule a special meeting made by Navina; Anne Olivia seconds.**
  - **Roll call: All in favor.**
  - Shayna will send out a doodle poll to schedule the special meeting and the link to the Port Task Force meeting this Friday at Brian’s request.

**7. Committee Discussion: 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan (final draft)**

*Discussion and possibly vote. See Attachment B, available at*

<https://wettransfer.com/downloads/5e52ee810d945a04e24b4b5c5cdf9eb120200616234322/ef52bf>

- Shayna noted that formatting is still in process, and Appendices have yet to be formatted and included, but narrative content is final. Staff intends to have full document completed by end of this week, and still need to add 4 appendices. Expresses gratitude to Committee.
  - Many priorities and concerns from the Committee are incorporated in the final document, including crosscutting equity sections (Public Health, Housing Security, Food security); incorporation of food security and urban agriculture considerations into Action items A-6, CR-4, and CR-3; expanding the scope of T-4 (public transit) beyond just cost; incorporating energy efficiency and energy resilience in B-2 and A-2.
  - New Action: City Leadership 5: Establish Oakland Climate Action Network

- ➔ **Motion that the Committee writes to Council to support the adoption of the REIA and its recommendations/direction in entirety made by Anne Olivia; Najee seconds**
  - *Roll Call: All in favor*
  
- ➔ **Motion to send a letter to Council that says to explicitly state creation of public bank in the ECAP made by Najee; Anne Olivia seconds with Amendment to include that Council gives direction to staff to include all of the community priorities that were removed from the ECAP.**
  - *A complete roll call vote did not ensue; no vote was held.*
  - The Committee discussed its role in prioritizing actions to be included in the ECAP, acknowledged limited City staff capacity to rewrite the Plan, and reaffirmed its commitment to highlighting only the major priorities that the Committee considered valuable by the community but that the ECAP was unable to incorporate. Brian stressed the importance of focusing the letter on the need for the Port to be held accountable for progress under the ECAP. Committee members agreed.

~~7. **Racial Equity Impact Analysis** ~~7:15 7:40~~  
*See Attachment C*~~

**8. Next Steps: Discussion** **7:50 – 8:00**

- Najee recommended that the Committee members show up to the Council meeting. Shayna will send out a link that explains how to join a Council meeting as an attendee. The Committee members interested in writing the letter to Council should get in contact with Najee.

**9. Adjourn** **8:05**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

## Attachment B

### **Resolution: Support for Removal of Police from Oakland Unified School District Campuses and Investment in Student Community Resources**

WHEREAS the climate crisis disproportionately impacts frontline communities of color and exacerbates existing inequities; and

WHEREAS the systems that created the climate and ecological breakdown we are currently living through have been built on, and depend on, racism and systemic white supremacy

WHEREAS climate policies need to go beyond reducing greenhouse gas emissions and address a just transition that centers community resilience and well-being of frontline communities of color; and

WHEREAS police brutality is a significant contribution to the systemic violence and oppression experienced by Black and Brown communities; and

WHEREAS school resource officers are part of that system of police brutality, criminalization of youth behavior, and the school-to-prison pipeline that many Black and Brown youth are funnelled through; and

WHEREAS Black and Brown students are more likely to be disciplined by school police, with Black students accounting for 73% of Oakland School Police Department's arrests over a two-year period even though they only make up 30.5% of the student population<sup>1</sup>

WHEREAS militarization of campuses through heavily armed school resource officers, surveillance cameras, security systems, and metal detectors contributes to a culture of fear and anxiety among students and undermine a healthy learning environment from which to push for equitable climate solutions; and

WHEREAS building liveable, equitable, and resilient communities in the just transition means fighting systemic racism and eliminating police brutality everywhere, including in schools; and

WHEREAS the input of student leaders from diverse communities has been a powerful force for climate justice, and students' physical, mental, and emotional well-being and safety can be better supported through school counselors, nurses, psychologists, social workers, and programming; and

WHEREAS Oakland Unified lacks funding for teachers and support staff, and ranks among the worst in the country in its student-to-school-counselor ratio with an overall ratio of 1,016-to-1 from 2010-11; now therefore be it

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<sup>1</sup> From Report Card to Criminal Record: The Impact of Policing Oakland Youth (2013). A Report by the Black Organizing Project, Public Counsel, and ACLU of Northern California  
<http://www.publiccounsel.org/tools/assets/files/0436.pdf>

RESOLVED that this committee supports the removal of school resource officers from Oakland Unified School District campuses; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this committee supports the defunding of Oakland Police Department by 50%; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that funding should be invested in school and community programming for mental health, environmental justice, restorative justice, well-being, and a truly equitable climate action plan for Oakland.

**Letter of Request to the Equitable Climate Action Plan Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee**

Esteemed members of the ECAP Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee,

The [Oakland 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan](#) is a step forward toward climate equity and a Just Transition. We commend the City of Oakland for aspiring to take an equitable approach to climate action and for being among the first cities in the country to do so.

The ECAP includes great language and action shaped by community input. Top community priorities reflected in the plan include “Take Action to Reduce and Prevent Displacement of Residents and Businesses” (Transportation & Land Use 3), “Abundant, Affordable, and Accessible Public Transit” (Transportation & Land Use 4), “Fund Creation and Operation of Resilience Hubs” (Adaptation 1), “Explore Creation of Public or Green Bank” (City Leadership 4), and “Establish the Oakland Climate Action Network to Support Inclusive Community Engagement on ECAP Implementation” (City Leadership 5).

To further bolster these positive priorities, we ask the Community Advisory Committee to advise Oakland City Council resolve to take the following four actions as they consider adoption of the draft 2030 ECAP later this month:

1. Adopt the Racial Equity Impact Analysis
2. Establish an ECAP Equity Oversight Commission
3. Create a dedicated funding source for the ECAP
4. Strengthen the ECAP presented (as described below)

Explanation of each point follows.

Thank you for the creativity and dedication you have demonstrated to the ongoing health and resilience of our communities and neighborhoods. We look forward to working with you in the coming years to ensure equitable implementation of the ECAP and build off the hard work and love that has gone into its creation.

Thank you,  
Oakland Climate Action Coalition (OCAC)

Colin Miller, OCAC Coordinator

OCAC Steering Committee  
Gavin Raders, Planting Justice  
David Ralston & Beth Teper, Brower Dellums Institute for Sustainable Policy Studies & Action  
The East Oakland Collective  
Local Clean Energy Alliance

Mark Hall, ReValue.io

## Letter of Request to the Equitable Climate Action Plan Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee

Explanation of the four points of action to recommend to City Council:

1. **Adopt the [Racial Equity Impact Assessment \(REIA\)](#) with equal weight to the Equitable Climate Action Plan**, and adopt the REIA's recommendations.
2. **Establish ECAP Equity Oversight Commission** with a focus on ensuring racial equity in ECAP implementation. Set aside funding for staff and stipends for frontline community members. Post-ECAP passage, provide for interim membership of Commission with existing ECAP Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee members if they are available to serve.
  - a. Commit to co-designing a democratic, participatory process with community groups to form the **Oakland Climate Action Network (OCAN)** (City Leadership-5, p. 112-113).
  - b. Grant OCAN members voting power to help nominate and appoint Commissioners from the neighborhoods.
  - c. OCAN to host Neighborhood Assemblies connected to ECAP Implementation and opportunities for a Participatory Budgeting process (along the lines of the [Community Democracy Project's ballot measure](#)).
  - d. *Along with inclusion of Equity Checklist, this would satisfy implementation of the [Priority Conservation Areas Resolution](#) passed in 2015 to establish a Community Equity Oversight Committee for equitable urban greening without gentrification and displacement.*
3. **Create a dedicated funding source for Implementation**
  - a. Provide additional staffing to Oakland Sustainability Division, Oakland Department of Race & Equity, and Resilience Department.
  - b. Reallocate funding from the Oakland Police Department (OPD) to provide funding for implementation. Implement a hiring freeze and remove existing OPD officers.
4. **Strengthen the ECAP** by directing staff to ensure the following community priorities — developed during the ECAP community engagement process — are achieved.
  1. **Transportation & Land Use (TLU)**
    - a. **Support Oakland's Indigenous communities**, starting with a commitment to work with and advance legal recognition of Chochenyo Ohlone people going forward, as well as tribal consultation and cooperation as part of implementing the Plan, in alignment with the [UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#). ("Honoring The Land and its Original Stewards", p. ii) (See also *TLU-3: Take Action to Reduce and Prevent Displacement of Residents & Businesses*, for reference to support for Land Trusts, p 35)
    - b. **Support Tiny House Eco-Villages** to provide housing and services to unsheltered / curbside communities (*TLU-3: Take Action to Reduce and Prevent Displacement of Residents & Businesses*).
  2. **Buildings (B)**
    - a. **Advocate to East Bay Community Energy** Board and Staff, including Oakland's representative, to remove barriers to and promote local, **community-owned** solar in the Local Development Business Plan.
    - b. Include home health improvements to "Plan for Existing Buildings to be Efficient and All-Electric by 2040" (B-2, p. 56) including mold and lead abatement, including [Green Lease](#) language to eliminate the split incentive preventing renters from financially benefiting from improvements.

## Letter of Request to the Equitable Climate Action Plan Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee

### 3. Adaptation (A)

- a. Change from **3 to 6 Resilience Hubs and 50 Resilience Spaces by 2024, and to 12 Resilience Hubs and 100 Resilience Spaces by 2030** in frontline neighborhoods. (A-1: “Fund Creation and Operation of Resilience Hubs”, p. 80-81) ([Urban Sustainability Directors Network’s definition](#)). In line with the support letter from the City of Oakland City staff (Alex McBryde, Chief Resilience Officer), for the grant spearheaded by the NorCal Resilience Network from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
  - i. Resilience Hubs and Spaces can also be members of the Oakland Climate Action Network (City Leadership 5, p. 112-113)
- b. **Include a goal to “Achieve 5% local food production within City limits by 2030”** (per 2005 City Food Security Resolution) by supporting more community-based farms and gardens on vacant lots, under-utilized public and private land, and in Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs). (A-6: “Expand and Protect Green Infrastructure, Biodiversity & Local Sustainable Food Systems”, p. 87-88).

### 4. City Leadership (CL)

- a. **Change language from “explore” to “Support creation of” an East Bay Public Bank** (City Leadership 4, p. 111)
- b. **Support cooperative economic development** through ECAP implementation by passing an [Ordinance for the Promotion of Worker Cooperatives](#), as a follow-up policy to implement the aspirational goals adopted by Council in 2015 as a [Resolution Supporting the Development of Worker Cooperatives In Oakland](#). (New Action)

### 5. Trees and Transit

Bring this Plan into **alignment with prior City efforts by adding a map targeting investments**. Prior City efforts identified existing gaps and needs were collected via coordinated City efforts targeting frontline communities, including efforts made in the [East Oakland Neighborhoods Initiative Plan](#) and through the Priority Conservation Areas planning process (p.87). Multiple sections of the ECAP are relevant to addressing disparities in diesel exposure, tree canopy coverage, and transit routes (Transportation & Land Use, Adaptation, Carbon Removal) to be added where appropriate.

The map should include:

- a. Diesel Particulate Matter (PM)
  - i. Highlight areas where people, particularly sensitive populations like schools and seniors, are exposed to the highest diesel pollution from truck traffic and goods movement.
- b. Trees
  - i. Demonstrate desired locations for tree buffers along freeways and between industrial areas. Quantify needs and set goals for their establishment.
  - ii. Highlight green boulevards/bike boulevards and creek/riparian watersheds that should be a focus for trees, in accordance with and in preparation for the Urban Forestry Master Plan.
- c. Transit
  - i. Shuttle routes, including Hegenberger shuttle, Merritt College, Laney College, and West Oakland-Emeryville.
  - ii. Designations of transit-challenged communities and existing gaps to access BART, bus and ferry.

Dear Mayor Schaaf and Members of the Oakland City Council:

For over a year, the ECAP Ad Hoc Community Advisory Committee has had the pleasure of working with City staff on development of the Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP). The City has employed a community-driven process for assessing priorities, and paid particular attention to engaging diverse voices and viewpoints. Particularly noteworthy has been the engagement of the equity facilitator, a group which led meetings across the city, analyzed the ECAP for equity opportunities and impacts, and serves as an example for other jurisdictions. We encourage you to use and meaningfully apply the priorities and feedback you have received through this ECAP development process.

There are a few items to which we wish to call your attention, as we believe they will help the City achieve its goal of an equitable path toward cost-effectively reducing Oakland's local climate emissions a minimum of 56%, transitioning away from fossil fuel dependence, and ensuring that all of Oakland's communities are resilient to the foreseeable impacts of climate change, by 2030. The Ad Hoc Committee recommends the City Council be mindful of the items below as you adopt the ECAP.

The Port of Oakland is capable of making greater contributions. The Ad Hoc Committee appreciates the steps the Port has taken in recent years to reduce its air pollution emissions. There is still significant room for the Port to do more to reduce its emissions of greenhouse gases that have a disproportionate impact on the residents of West Oakland, near the maritime operation, and East Oakland, near the airport. The ECAP recommends two actions for the Port:

- Reduce Emissions from Port Vehicles and Equipment
- Reduce Emissions from Electricity

The Port of Oakland should be one of the bright spots of the ECAP. Zero-emission port equipment and heavy-duty trucks are making some of the fastest-growing advances in clean technology. Zero emission vehicles for ports that are now commercially-available include battery-electric drayage trucks, battery-electric terminal tractors, conversion kits for battery-electric terminal trucks, zero-emission transport refrigeration units, electric forklifts, electric railcar movers, electric mobile and ground power units, and electric mobile shore power cable management systems.

The State of California has funding available to cover the incremental cost of all of these technologies through California CORE and the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project ("HVIP"). Other ports like the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach are making good use of the resources available and leaning in to deploy zero-emission trucks and off road equipment.

Furthermore, on June 25, 2020, the California Air Resources Board approved a first-of-a-kind rule requiring that manufacturers of trucks and other port-related vehicles sold in California

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transition to being zero-emission -- including 100% of drayage trucks being zero-emission by 2035. There is no good reason why an equitable climate plan for Oakland should not at least be following suit with other ports -- and better yet, leading -- and putting Oakland's Port at the forefront.

Create a community bank. A key request in the community meetings and at meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee was for the City to create a public or green bank. We encourage the City to take action on Action CL-4: Explore Creation of Public or Green Bank, early in the ECAP implementation.

Prioritize establishing the Oakland Climate Action Network. Action CL-5 calls for the City to help residents of the City's frontline communities develop better capacity to engage on climate, sustainability, and equity issues. This is extremely important and we encourage the City to implement this action as soon as possible. The Ad Hoc Committee appreciates the diverse perspectives and expertise from across the City that comprise our group, all with a focus on ensuring that all residents of our City participate in and benefit as we transition to a low-carbon economy. These voices can be amplified and increased through the Oakland Climate Action Network.

The Ad Hoc Committee extends our thanks to the City's sustainability staff for their tireless service, particularly Shayna Hirshfield-Gold. We congratulate the City on adopting, with the modifications recommended above, an innovative ECAP that puts people at the center of the work.

Sincerely,

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