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TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Director of Public Works

SUBJECT

Climate Action Plan Update and Proposed Environmental Justice Element: Considerations for New General Plan Policies and Programs for the Hayward 2040 General Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the Planning Commission reviews and provides feedback on the proposed updates to the City's Climate Action Plan and new policies and programs related to the adoption of a new Environmental Justice element of the Hayward 2040 General Plan.

SUMMARY

The City is in the process of updating its Climate Action Plan (CAP) to establish policies and programs needed to meet greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets adopted by Council in 2020. The current CAP, part of the *Hayward 2040 General Plan* adopted in 2014, is being updated along with revisions to the Housing and Safety Elements of the General Plan, which is required by the State. This report also presents a draft policy framework for a new Environmental Justice element of the General Plan. This report provides a status update on the project, community engagement strategies, and next steps. The City is working with Rincon Consultants to forecast GHG emissions and develop policies and programs that will help reduce community-wide emissions. Staff will continue engaging with stakeholders to ensure that all policies in the CAP are equitable and align with community needs.

Staff is requesting feedback from the Planning Commission on the updates to the Climate Action Plan and proposed programs and policies related to a new Environmental Justice element of the *Hayward 2040 General Plan* and will forward that feedback to Council for their consideration at a future meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I Staff Report

Attachment II CAP mural Board Responses

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