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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works

SUBJECT

Climate Action Plan: Considerations for New General Plan Policies and Programs Related to the City's Climate Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council reviews and comments on this report and provides direction on the draft measures and actions to staff.

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. The CAP, part of the Hayward 2040 General Plan, is being updated along with revisions to the Housing and Safety/Hazards Elements and a new Environmental Justice Element of the General Plan. This report provides an update on the project, draft measures, and Council's responses to a survey on the draft measures. Staff is working with Rincon Consultants to develop a list of draft measures that will help reduce community-wide emissions and seeking community feedback. The measures, to be included in the updated CAP, are intended to enable the Hayward community to meet its 2030 goal of reducing emissions by 55% below 2005 levels. This goal will not be easy to achieve. To be successful, the entire community will need to participate by making investments and reducing emissions in all sectors of the local economy.

Staff will continue engaging with community stakeholders to ensure that all policies in the CAP are equitable and align with community needs. Staff is seeking direction and ideas from the Council regarding the draft measures and any additional potential GHG-reducing measures to be considered for the draft CAP.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I Staff Report

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