

From: [Ian Curtis](#)
To: [citycouncil](#)
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan
Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 9:17:40 AM

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

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Mayor Bennett and Councilors, I urge you to hold public hearing and pass the Climate Action Plan.

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From: meghummon@gmail.com
To: [citycouncil](#)
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan
Date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:53:21 PM

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

I join members of 350.org Salem and many others in urging immediate action on the Climate Action Plan. This problem is real, and it is now. Delay will make solutions even more difficult, if not impossible.

Mayor Bennett and Councilors, I urge you to hold public hearing and pass the Climate Action Plan.

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From: [Nadene LeCheminant](#)
To: [citycouncil](#)
Subject: Approve the Climate Action Plan
Date: Friday, February 4, 2022 2:43:17 PM

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Sincerely,
Nadene LeCheminant

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1665 Cottage Street SE
Salem, Oregon 97302

From: Patricia Magnabosco <patricia.magnabosco@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 2:21 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

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I support these efforts being voluntary with associated incentive programs.

Please remove the requirements from these strategies in the Climate Action Plan.

Sincerely,

Patricia Magnabosco
710 Ratcliff Dr SE
Salem, OR 97302
patricia.magnabosco@gmail.com

From: Colleen Rees <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 3:44 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Housing costs are already so incredibly high, this will definitely impact many of us.

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Sincerely,

Colleen Rees
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Salem, OR 97304
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From: Sherrie Stanula <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 4:09 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Sherrie Stanula
2000 Robins Ln SE Unit 12
Salem, OR 97306
stanula53@icloud.com

From: James Cassidy <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 4:11 PM
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Sincerely,

James Cassidy
3263 Argyle Dr S
Salem, OR 97302
robbcassidy@hotmail.com

From: Linda Wheeler <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 2:08 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

My property taxes already went up over \$900. this year. I'm on a fixed income and do not appreciate a forced costly upgrades.and would not be able to have heat or hot water if you do this. I then would have to sell my home and move - where? Too sad. I should have the right to choose.

I vote no. No No.

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Sincerely,

Linda Wheeler
5466 Sugar Plum St SE
Salem, OR 97306
song1mom@yahoo.com

From: Gayle Harris <grharris1600@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 2:04 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

This would be a terrible burden for retirees and those on a fixed income.

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Sincerely,

Gayle Harris
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Salem, OR 97304
grharris1600@gmail.com

From: Edward Onimus <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 12:24 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

My ability to heat my home and heat my water should not be subject to the arbitrary supply abilities of PGE. This is an inappropriate infringement of my constitutionally protected property rights.

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Sincerely,

Edward Onimus
4730 Happy Dr NE
Salem, OR 97305
edwardonimus@outlook.com

From: Ray Cox <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 11:58 AM
To: SalemCAP
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Ray Cox
1951 Cuckoo Ct NW
Salem, OR 97304
rosebudrobin@outlook.com

From: Melissa Bailey <missybaileyrealestate@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 9:10 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Salem Climate Action Plan Recommended Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I fear the impact on the poorest in our community as affected property owners who may not have increased rents to the max may do so to alleviate the financial burden of such a mandate.

As a REALTOR and resident of Salem, I am writing to voice my opposition with the costly requirements of certain recommended strategies currently included in the draft Climate Action Plan.

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Sincerely,

Melissa Bailey
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Salem, OR 97306
missybaileyrealestate@gmail.com

From: Gregory Guerrero <gregguerrero.gg1@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 9:16 AM
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Sincerely,

Gregory Guerrero
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Salem, OR 97302
gregguerrero.gg1@gmail.com

From: Holly Hawes <Hollyraehawes@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 10:59 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Holly Hawes
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Salem, OR 97304
Hollyraehawes@gmail.com

From: David Tendick <Dntendick@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 10:01 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

When the ice storm that wreaked havoc on the valley hit, it was thanks to the gas water heater I was able to keep my 10mo baby warm. Gas stoves allowed my family to cook food and eat. Natural gas allowed us to help neighbors.

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1134 Tamara Ave S
Salem, OR 97306
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From: Misty Bingham <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:58 PM
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Sincerely,

Misty Bingham
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Salem, OR 97304
mistymarriah@yahoo.com

From: Stephanie Madison <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:54 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Avoid this costly plan that will do little good for the environment- it will hurt our local homeowners and makes us more vulnerable to power outages.

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Stephanie Madison
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Salem, OR 97304
stefrider5@hotmail.com

From: James Gordon <gordyn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:41 PM
To: SalemCAP
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James Gordon
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Salem, OR 97304
gordyn@gmail.com

From: Lisa Rousseau <lisalarea@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 8:49 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

During last year's ice storm my family had heat, hot water, and hot food to eat because we have natural gas appliances. It would have been a cold and miserable few days without the comfort that our gas appliances provided.

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Sincerely,

Lisa Rousseau
2268 Gibsonwoods Ct NW
Salem, OR 97304
lisalarea@gmail.com

From: Ann Summar <apsummar@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 8:30 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I live in an established neighborhood in West Salem where natural gas furnaces, hot water heaters and fireplaces appear to be the norm. I was grateful to have them all with the power outages last year. We upgraded our gas stove to electric as our personal preference but do not support a requirement which would prevent homeowner choice. For the city to require we meet a potentially moving target 5, 10 or 30 years in the future when it is time for us to sell is too much of an unknown. I am not opposed to climate change initiatives. I grew up in a northern Minnesota town that relied on steam heat for heat most of the homes during the dead of winter. I know that change and shifting of the usual patterns is difficult. Modernization and climate friendly initiatives are good; mandates that would require expensive upgrades by qualified tradespeople when the workforce is aging and dwindling will only increase those costs, delay transactions, and complicate the buying and selling of homes. By all means - set standards for minimum efficiencies and new home requirements. But please 'grandfather' well maintained homes to avoid 'as is' sales that will complicate future home sales across Salem. Thank you.

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Ann Summar
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Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 8:30 PM
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From: Al Begin <yvonneJacob@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 7:56 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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kmajorgenson@comcast.net

From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
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RANDY Lutke
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rplutke@gmail.com

From: Teresa Hartman <tmhart61@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 4:37 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

We use natural gas to heat our home and it was instrumental in choosing to buy our house. It is affordable and reliable. I would not choose to buy a home with electric heat. Why put this unfair burden on homeowners and owners of multi-unit housing. Rents are sure to rise to cover the additional cost. I also have a natural gas hookup for my barbecue for cooking.

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From: Victor Smith <saalemreopro@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 2:39 PM
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Victor Smith
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From: Brent Culver <brent@brentculver.com>
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Salem, OR 97304
brent@brentculver.com

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Brenda James
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Salem, OR 97302
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danarlewin@gmail.com

From: John Howard <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 12:55 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Dear Salem Climate Committee,

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mhbrenda@msn.com

From: Suzanne Lawrence <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 11:17 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Restrictions on gas appliances, etc on personal residential properties is a step to far. If I pay to purchase a home, it's my money on the line therefore, my choice. I opposed any City of Salem Restrictions on the use of gas in personal residential properties.

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Suzanne Lawrence
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From: Lynda Ogilvie <user@votervoice.net>
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Jeffrey Munson
230 Idylwood Dr SE
Salem, OR 97302
jeffm31727@aol.com

From: Paula Fordham <paulafordham@windermere.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:59 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

As a Real Estate Broker, I know this will have a direct effect on many sellers, many have to sell for financial reason and forcing a seller to pay for these updates can and will make the difference of moving/downsizing to save money and we could even see some people walk away from their homes and leave them to the bank. Forcing sellers to make these kinds of updates is not a sensible decision.

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Richard Scott
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From: Robert Fritts <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2022 11:57 AM
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Robert Fritts
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bfritts@mail.com

From: Karen Rosgen <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2022 3:41 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I have lived in this house for over 40 years & over 70 years old. I have 3 gas appliances, gas range, dryer and gas fireplace. I am on Medicare, raising my 11 yr old Granddaughter on my own. Then there are the medical problems that having to move would entail, where I do not have the funds to purchase electric appliances. I have limited savings, hoping that it will last until my granddaughter is old enough to be on her own when I pass.

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Karen Rosgen
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Salem, OR 97304
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From: Grover Carter <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2022 5:32 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I am at a loss where all this electricity will be coming from. With coal fired plants shut down it seems there may be a shortage of electricity.

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Sincerely,

Grover Carter
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grove19reed44@yahoo.com

From: Sherry Rogers <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2022 9:38 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

There are no measurements or studies that prove eliminating Natural Gas and financially punishing citizens for using it will help the environment in any way. This plan is just Salem bowing to the political games of Democrats in power. It's cowardly to not stand against government overreach and it's cruel to the people you are elected to serve to enact this plan.

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Sincerely,

Sherry Rogers
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From: Charles Ruppert <Sapphire4825@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 6:15 AM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Charles Ruppert
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Sapphire4825@comcast.net

From: Michelle Kent <termichkent@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 5:07 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Michelle Kent
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Salem, OR 97301
termichkent@gmail.com

From: Janet Graybeal <maxjanpow@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 4:52 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

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From: Hazel Stubbs <dina.stubbs@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 3:28 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

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dina.stubbs@comcast.net

From: John Stalnaker <usmc1310@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 2:18 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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John Stalnaker
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Salem, OR 97301
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From: Melinda Rossow <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 1:57 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I am absolutely opposed to this proposal. During the Silver Thaw the only thing that saved me and my mother who is a senior citizen, was our hot water powered by Northwest Natural Gas. We were without power for 6 miserable days, but at least we had a hot shower. Frankly, I feel like this is a serious overreach on behalf of the City of Salem. Please focus your energy on cleaning up the hideous mess this city has become rather than trying impose more regulations on homeowners.

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Melinda Rossow
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Salem, OR 97301
m_rossow@hotmail.com

From: Diane Schreck <dianeschreck6@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 11:50 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I am opposed to this action. It should be voted on and not adopted without community input.

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Sincerely,

Diane Schreck
2624 Andrew Ave NW
Salem, OR 97304
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From: Viki Harchenko <vikter@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 10:01 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I have a gas stove, gas fireplace, and gas water heater, and am looking to install a natural gas generator. Natural gas is a clean, affordable energy source used in a huge amount of homes in one way or another. People cannot afford to do away with their gas sources of cooking and heating!!! DO NOT EVEN THINK OF DOING THIS!! Green energy does NOT pencil and is NOT reliable!!! Solar and wind cannot sustain our energy needs consistently!!! This is insane!

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Sincerely,

Viki Harchenko
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Salem, OR 97306
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From: Frank Sproul <fsproul8@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 9:40 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Ah, the quixotic quest to stop something that may not even be occurring. And if the planet is actually warming slightly, is this bad? And are your proposed efforts even remotely effective? Not likely, and let's not overlook the fact that warm is good, carbon is the basic building block of life, and these proposals are spitting in the wind.

Natural Gas is desirable, clean, cheap, and necessary for our lives. As a contractor, I can tell you people demand it. Energy should be cheap and plentiful. And until those that think fossil fuels are of the devil embrace nuclear energy as an alternative, we need to focus on efficiency rather than elimination of fossil fuel. Reliance on hugely expensive, tax payer supported wind and solar (which aren't so green after all) is bad policy.

I do think the idea of an energy rating system is good as long as it doesn't favor alternatives, but rather focuses on efficiency.

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Tom Johnson
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tjohnson346@msn.com

From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 7:10 AM
To: SalemCAP
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RANDY Lutke
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Salem, OR 97306
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From: Rebecca Ruppert <Sapphire4825@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 29, 2022 4:39 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Rebecca Ruppert
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Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 7:37 PM
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Rebecca Griffiths
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From: Leah Sinclair <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 6:05 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Leah Sinclair
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leah.sinclair@hotmail.com

From: Ron Stewart <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 5:24 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Sincerely,

Ron Stewart
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ron.stewart@outlook.com

From: DUSTIN HUBBARD <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 5:23 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Sincerely,

DUSTIN HUBBARD
1480 Valley View Dr NW
Salem, OR 97304
zeus122395@yahoo.com

From: Kimberly Zahr <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 5:17 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I am 100% against these restrictions. I will not vote for these regulations.

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Sincerely,

Kimberly Zahr
575 Sahalee Dr SE
Salem, OR 97306
shhhasta@msn.com

From: Roger Bell <rbofrbjb52@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 4:52 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Please tell Kate and her followers that just because they are climate activists that want to make a name for themselves among the other activists, it doesn't justify a costly and ineffective plan that will waste resources and financially burden American citizens. Important fact: During the ice storm last February, it was the natural gas supply to our house that enabled us to get thru the week without electricity. You want to do something worthwhile, start getting the power lines underground, remove any trees that are near current above ground power lines and make a policy that prohibits planting trees near power lines, underground utilities or streets (roots tear up sidewalks and drop debris on streets that can impede movement of pedestrians and vehicles, or worst case, destroy property and injure people). You want to do something for the environment, set aside more land for parks and take care of them. Bottom line, start using some common sense when you propose ideas.

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Roger Bell
1386 Rees Hill Rd SE
Salem, OR 97306
rbofrbjb52@comcast.net

From: Ohik Parks <jpparks.salem@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 4:02 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Sincerely,

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From: Janet Maddux <Janmaddux@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 10:18 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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From: John Baker <john@nedbaker.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 3:19 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I own 17 properties in Salem and totally weatherized them in 2009. Most of my homes use gas because it is more efficient at cost per BTU than electricity and can operate during a power outage. This was very apparent at my daughters home in NE Salem last year where a gas fireplace was the only way to keep the home with some warmth during 5 days of no power during the Ice storm. To force consumers to heat their homes solely using in effect a metal box with "toaster coils" is ridiculous. Consumers have the right to choose products and services that meet their needs, it is not governments role to eliminate viable and more cost efficient options. When I buy a property, the inspector I hire has in his report the amount of insulation in the attic walls and under the floors. I can see if the windows are double pane. To have someone additional come in to give a home a number is of no value and just a penalty on many buyers who are using most of their funds just to get on the ownership bandwagon. Government does a lot of talking about affordable housing but it is the most egregious actor in the rise of its cost due to more rules and poor legislation such as this.

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From: Quinn Burke <qburke82@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 2:00 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I have worked with many lower income home sellers that would not be able to complete upgrades in order to sell a home. Requiring upgrades in order to sell will hurt the majority of lower and middle income families when it comes time to sell, and may constrain the supply of lower priced homes for first time home buyers.

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From: Rebecca Ruppert <Sapphire4825@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 1:55 PM
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From: Peggy Gordon <lexie@soldbyphoenixrealty.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 1:55 PM
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From: Tony Frazier <tonyfrazier2017@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 10:24 AM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Tony Frazier
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tonyfrazier2017@gmail.com

From: Ashleigh Fordham <ashleighfordham@windermere.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 9:51 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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It is with great intention that I submit this request to the Salem Climate Action Plan Committee, in the hopes that you will consider the concerns of your community.

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Ashleigh Fordham
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Salem, OR 97306
ashleighfordham@windermere.com

From: Marilyn Stover <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 7:33 AM
To: SalemCAP
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Marilyn Stover
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From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 9:20 PM
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RANDY Lutke
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From: Christina Kreitzberg <christina@rogwv.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 1:23 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Salem Climate Action Plan Recommended Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

As a REALTOR and resident of Salem, I am writing to voice my opposition with the costly requirements of certain recommended strategies currently included in the draft Climate Action Plan.

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Christina Kreitzberg
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Salem, OR 97306
christina@rogwv.com

From: Ernest Cooper <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 7:56 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

Give me a break people, we have been using natural gas for quite some time and I really don't think banning it is going to make that much difference in the over all scheme of things .

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Ernest Cooper
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From: Kore Richard <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 12:20 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Kore Richard
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From: John Ackerman <johnackerman89@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 8:10 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I particularly take issue with the ideas being floated of required, owner-funded home upgrades during a home sale.

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From: Donna Gandolfi <sweetpikkles32@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 10:40 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Salem, OR 97304
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From: Blythe Williams <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 9:00 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

This is strong arming, once again. Incentivize rather than force! This would break so many families on a financial end. A serious burden. I know so many families (including our own) who are considering leaving Oregon if more restrictions in how we choose to live or enforced.

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Salem, OR 97305
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Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 2:30 PM
To: SalemCAP
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From: [Vickie Clarke - Jon Ellis](#)
Sent: Saturday, February 5, 2022 8:40 PM
To: [SalemCAP](#)
Subject: Climate Action Plan Request for Clarification

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello,

I was reading the proposed Climate Action Plan and many of the items proposed seem to be programs that are already in place or have been and not utilized to the fullest. However, I noticed something in Appendix 8 that is confusing, and I would like clarification.

First: Does the action plan affect just within the Salem city limits or within the Urban Growth Boundary of the city of Salem.

Second: EN 20 states: Implement a City ordinance that requires a Home Energy Score be provided to prospective home buyers. Follow guidance from Home Energy Score programs established in other Oregon cities, including Portland and Milwaukie.

Who does that scoring and what all does it entail? What is the significance of having a score of 50 verses 90?

Third: EN 21 reads - Adopt **mandatory** home- and building-energy rating system requirements so that upon property sale, buildings (commercial and residential) are required to meet the energy rating system criteria. Work with non-profits and utilities to provide financial incentives when upgrading to new standards.

I read this to mean that the seller or the buyer will be mandated to upgrade the home to meet what the Energy Score programs require. Is this the intent? If so, I see many hardships for people both selling and buying, especially people with limited incomes in homes that have few updates.

IF the seller can afford to update, those costs will be added to the selling price to recoup that expense, making it even harder for the buyer to finance or pay the mortgage.

IF the seller cannot afford the updates are they not able to sell their home? I'm thinking of the 80 year old couple living on limited income in the home they bought in 1960 and now need to sell and move to care facilities. Or the young family wanting to sell their first home to get a bigger one but can't afford to pay for updates, are they also not able to sell their home?

There are so many scenarios of how this mandate would negatively impact the people trying to sell their home. It seems the emphasis on updating/upgrading homes to be more efficient would be better served by buyer programs where they can finance upgrades over the life of a mortgage.

Thank you for your time on clarification to my questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Clarke

3595 Echo Dr NW, Salem OR 97304

From: Denise Busch <denise@denisebusch.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 3, 2022 8:29 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Salem Climate Action Plan Recommended Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

New guidelines like this need to be established with the new construction and permitted updating, not the sale of homes.

As a REALTOR and resident of Salem, I am writing to voice my opposition with the costly requirements of certain recommended strategies currently included in the draft Climate Action Plan.

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Sincerely,

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From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 3, 2022 4:36 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

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Salem, OR 97306
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From: Kenneth Emmons <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 3, 2022 1:37 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I have read the final draft and strongly disagree with it. I have recently upgrade all appliances to high efficacy natural gas. I have insulated my garage, crawlspace and added insulation to the attic. Making NG more expensive is not the answer. I did not ready anything about adding to the power grid. How is Salem planning for the increase to our grid with increasing energy usage? Salem os turning onto a homeless camp mess. I had to sell three rentals due to the homeless breaking in and camping in the yards.

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Sincerely,

Kenneth Emmons
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Salem, OR 97302
kemmons3225@msn.com

From: John Reis <yoursalemrealtor@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 3, 2022 5:30 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

You can't force us to bend to your will unless you're ready to be bent to the will of the people.

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From: Ted Felix <ted.felix99@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 6:18 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

As a landlord who lives on the only property that I manage I must admit that passing a law like this would force me to sell and buy a single family home. I've had a great time having tenants but the only way to keep their rent low is if my costs don't go up. With the property taxes going up, I'm already debating raising rent as my last resort if I want to be able to keep the property. Laws like this make it difficult for a local person to own property and when big companies come in all they do is raise the rent without making improvements. I know first hand because the poor management of the apartments that I rented is what led me to buy a multi family property. This proposition has good intentions but making it mandatory will hurt local tenants more than it will help.

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Sincerely,

Ted Felix
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ted.felix99@gmail.com

From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 6:41 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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RANDY Lutke
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From: Rebecca Closser <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Saturday, February 5, 2022 11:18 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Closser
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Salem, OR 97301
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From: Candis Brummond <bruc@chemeketa.edu>
Sent: Saturday, February 5, 2022 4:30 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I live on a fixed income and cannot afford costly changes.

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From: Diane Whittier <dhwittier@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 6, 2022 11:28 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

I believe a less extreme plan would be a better option and still lead us in the right direction.

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Diane Whittier
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From: Delynn Cook <user@votervoice.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 6, 2022 1:31 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Sincerely,

Delynn Cook
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Salem, OR 97302
grandpacook@live.com

From: Rebecca Ruppert <Sapphire4825@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 6, 2022 3:37 PM
To: SalemCAP
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Rebecca Ruppert
4825 Rising St SE
Salem, OR 97302
Sapphire4825@comcast.net

From: Rebecca Ruppert <Sapphire4825@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 4:28 AM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

Dear Salem Climate Committee,

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From: RANDY Lutke <rplutke@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 4:01 PM
To: SalemCAP
Subject: Oppose Salem Climate Action Plan Costly Strategies

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Tami Carpenter

From: Avery Burstein <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 7:34 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Urgent! Please approve the Climate Action Plan Mayor Bennett & City Council

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

I am currently a student at Willamette University and for the foreseeable future Salem is my home. It is with great dismay that I learned from my professor that Salem is the only sizeable city in Oregon with no adopted Climate Action Plan. The Final Draft Climate Action Plan was sent to the Council in November with a staff report that said, "the final draft CAP will come to Council for consideration after the beginning of 2022." That time is now.

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The draft plan is far more than a list of short-term suggestions. It makes the climate crisis a priority for city policy and community action. Furthermore, the CAP makes equity a priority so that the needs and concerns of historically underserved and underrepresented communities are included.

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Mayor Bennett and Councilors, I urge you to hold public hearing and pass the Climate Action Plan.

Avery Burstein

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Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Angela Wanak <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 10:38 AM
To: citycouncil
Subject: [SUSPECTED SPAM] Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

As leaders in our community, it is time to step forward and address climate change so that we avoid climate catastrophes, foster life, and give our children a chance for a healthy future. Salem is the only sizeable city in Oregon with no adopted Climate Action Plan. The Final Draft Climate Action Plan was sent to the Council in November with a staff report that said, “the final draft CAP will come to Council for consideration after the beginning of 2022.” That time is now.

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Angela Wanak

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Salem, Oregon 97302

Tami Carpenter

From: Brenna Halverson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:32 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

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Brenna Halverson

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900 State St

Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Barbara Ray <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 6:38 PM
To: citycouncil
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Barbara Ray

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SALEM, Oregon 97301-4152

Tami Carpenter

From: Cindy Kimball <kimball.cindylou@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:15 AM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Climate Action Plan

I am writing to ask that you please adopt at your meeting on February 14, 2022 the draft Climate Action Plan that was developed by the Climate Action Task Force. Please do not be swayed to water it down. Salem needs to enact a multifaceted approach to dealing with the dangerous greenhouse gasses we produce on a daily basis. Diesel and gasoline vehicles make up the bulk of the nitrogen oxide and carbon monoxide in the air we breathe every day. We need alternative forms of transportation that people will use that do not contribute to greenhouse gasses. And we need alternative sources of energy such as solar in order to meet the 50 percent greenhouse gas reduction by 2035 that the council already adopted.

Thank you for your service to the city of Salem.

Sincerely,

Cindy Kimball

Ward 1

1260 21st St NE, Salem, OR 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Cassandra Locke <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 3:10 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

Whole Council City Council,

Dear Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

The PNW and Oregon have long been a symbol of environmental care and protection in the United States. However, symbolism does not equal action and this means that the entirety of Oregon needs to adopt a climate action plan. Salem is the only sizeable city in Oregon with no adopted Climate Action Plan. The Final Draft Climate Action Plan was sent to the Council in November with a staff report that said, “the final draft CAP will come to Council for consideration after the beginning of 2022.” That time is now.

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Cassandra Locke
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Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Diane Chavez <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 5:51 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

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Diane Chavez

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Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Janet Lorenzen <jlorenze@willamette.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 4:34 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Salem Climate Action Plan - on agenda

Hello Mayor and Salem City Councilors,

I was a member of the Salem Climate Action Plan (CAP) Task Force as were some of you.

I am deeply concerned that I don't see the Salem CAP on the city council agenda. I am emailing to ask that you add it to the agenda.

As I'm sure you know, reducing the worst impacts of climate change has an expiration date and Salem is the only large city in Oregon without a plan to do our part. Resiliency and equity were also big parts of the CAP that need to be discussed.

If the Major will not add the CAP to the agenda, I call on city councilors to please make a motion to hear and then pass the Climate Action Plan.

Thank you,
Prof. Janet Lorenzen
(I live in Ward 3)

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Associate Professor Janet A. Lorenzen, Ph.D. (she/they)
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Willamette University was previously the Indian Manual Labor Training School and is on the land of the Kalapuya, represented today by the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz. Support the climate goals of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians: <http://atntribes.org/climatechange/>

Tami Carpenter

From: Jim Scheppke <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 9:57 AM
To: citycouncil
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Jim Scheppke

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Tami Carpenter

From: kim davis <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 5:21 PM
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kim davis

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Salem, Oregon 97306

Tami Carpenter

From: Lorie Fontaine <loriefontaine@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 10:16 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Climate Action Plan

Dear City Councilors,

Thank you for your dedication to our community. I was shocked and disheartened to learn that Mayor Bennett is directing the Climate Action Plan, that has been such a huge effort by so many dedicated and concerned citizens, to city staffers rather than through our elected representatives. Citizens deserve to participate in this process. Local political action is the groundswell that improves our regional quality of life and creates policy models for the large scale progress we desperately need. Our local actions matter!

We are already seeing the ravages of climate change devastating our beautiful state, especially impacting our most vulnerable citizens. My precious little grandbabies are three and one years old. Don't let Northwest Natural Gas dictate our future.

Sincerely,
Lorie Fontaine
Ward 7

Sent from my iPad

Tami Carpenter

From: meghummon@gmail.com <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:53 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

Whole Council City Council,

To Mayor Chuck Bennett and Salem City Council,

I join members of 350.org Salem and many others in urging immediate action on the Climate Action Plan. This problem is real, and it is now. Delay will make solutions even more difficult, if not impossible.

Mayor Bennett and Councilors, I urge you to hold public hearing and pass the Climate Action Plan.

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Salem, Oregon 97302

Tami Carpenter

From: Margaret Stephens <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 9:47 AM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

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Margaret Stephens

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Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Peter Bergel <pbergel@igc.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 3:47 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Please move forward expeditiously on the whole Climate Action Plan

Dear City Councilors,

I understand that the City's Climate Action Plan is in danger of being picked apart because of objections to it expressed by Northwest Natural Gas.

It is to be expected that a fossil fuel company would object to a plan that phases out the use of natural gas in Salem homes. I'm sure that a century ago the buggy whip manufacturers objected to the development of an economy that increasingly depended on automotive transport, but that objection did not stop that development. Similarly, as we perceive the deadly weaknesses of the economy we have built on fossil fuels, we must again reconfigure our economy in order for human life to survive.

Please disregard the vested interest of the fossil fuel industry and let us move ahead to create a comprehensive Climate Action Plan, just as the other cities in Oregon have done. Do not let economic interests condemn us to the worst consequences of climate change.

I live in Ward 2 and am represented by Tom Andersen.

Peter Bergel
pbergel@igc.org

Tami Carpenter

From: Phil Carver <philiphcarver@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 7, 2022 6:12 AM
To: citycouncil; SALEM Manager; Patricia Farrell
Cc: Clair Clark; Scheppke Jim; Janet Lorenzen; Laurie Dougherty; Ray Quisenberry; Sarah Deumling
Subject: Public Hearing Date for CAP?

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To the Mayor, City Council and City Manager

Below is a quote from the Statesman Journal of Dec. 6, 2021

The final draft of the [climate action] plan was released in November after 15 months of work by a 33-member community task force and multiple rounds of community engagement.

Patricia Farrell, the parks and natural resources planning manager for the Public Works Department, said the plan provides a roadmap for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and creating a resilient city while also considering equity in all strategies – meaning they don't want any of the suggestions to have a disproportionate impact on marginalized or lower-income residents.

Yet there is apparently no public hearing scheduled on the plan.

In October 2020 the Council adopted a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 50 percent by 2035. Since that adoption more than a year has passed. There are only 13 years left to achieve that goal. Several years will be needed to decide on how to implement the adopted plan and several more to begin implementation.

There has been no stated reason for delaying the scheduling of a public hearing on the final draft plan. Salem in the last two year has seen catastrophic wildfires and hazardous smoke pollution, an historic ice storm and unprecedented heat dome extreme temperatures in June. Delay in slowing climate change is unacceptable.

To City Manager Steve Powers two questions:

1. What date do you plan for the public hearing on the final draft climate action plan?
2. If you do not have a date in mind, what is the reason for delay in scheduling one?

Thank you for an overall excellent final draft. 350 Salem looks forward to an inclusive and fair process of final adoption.

Sincerely,
Philip H. Carver, Ph.D.
Co-coordinator 350 Salem Oregon

Tami Carpenter

From: Phil Carver <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 9:50 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

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Patricia Parvin

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Salem, Oregon 97301

Tami Carpenter

From: Philip Ratcliff <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 10:14 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

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Philip Ratcliff

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Salem , Oregon 97302

Tami Carpenter

From: noreply@cityofsalem.net on behalf of robertaanne1@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 12:22 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Contact City Council
Attachments: ATT00001.bin

Your Name	Roberta Cade
Your Email	robertaanne1@gmail.com
Your Phone	5035802878
Street	1321 Chemeketa St NE
City	Salem
State	OR
Zip	97301
Message	Mayor, Councilors: I, too, am concerned about the lack of urgency on the part of the City of Salem regarding changes needed to mitigate climate change. Whether it's Mayor Bennett, NorthWest Natural Gas or people who don't have all the information needed to save the planet, it's short-sighted to not incorporate the Climate Action Plan draft that has been worked on by professionals for months and months. Salem OR needs the comprehensive plan to start the process of bringing Salem into alignment with those places in the world which are bicycling more, improving transportation options, ending the use of plastic, etc., all in an effort to end the use of fossil fuels. Thanks for listening,

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Tami Carpenter

From: Raymond Dukes <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 6:18 AM
To: citycouncil
Subject: [SUSPECTED SPAM] Mayor Bennett & City Council: Approve the Climate Action Plan

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Raymond Dukes

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Salem , Yucatán 97302

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Ray Quisenberry

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Salem, Oregon 97301

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Salem, Oregon 97304

Tami Carpenter

From: noreply@cityofsalem.net on behalf of tiellis@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 4:38 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Contact City Council
Attachments: 350 Salem Press Release January 26, 2022_____FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE.pdf

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Your Phone	503-385-5594
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City	Salem
State	OR
Zip	97302
Message	<p>It has come to my attention that Mayor Chuck Bennett is planning to withhold the draft Climate Action Plan from consideration by the City Council, and instead has asked the City Manager to recommend isolated "non-objectionable strategies" from the plan for approval in February. We do not know why Mayor Bennett has chosen to do this, or who "objected" to it and why, but this action is not acceptable. The Salem Climate Action Plan has been in the works for five years. In late 2020, Council approved the formation of a Climate Action Task Force, consisting of selected City Councilors and stakeholders from interests throughout the city, and they approved spending approximately \$170,000 of the taxpayers' money to hire a professional consulting firm, Verdis, to guide the Task Force through the process of negotiating and drawing up a comprehensive plan, on the understanding that Council would meet to review it at the beginning of 2022. If this plan is withdrawn from consideration now, it will have no official status in future City deliberations, and its provisions to assess progress periodically toward the emissions reduction goals will be lost altogether. Hence, the plan as a whole is far more than just a list of suggestions to be selected (or ignored) at random! Furthermore, the term "non-objectionable strategies" begs a huge question: Who is objecting, and why, to strategies carefully hammered out by a diverse task force (representing the public interest as a whole), approved in advance by the City Council? And what authority do these "objectors" have to thwart the overwhelming public interest in curbing an existential threat to all our futures? I trust I've made my case. I have attached the press release for your information, so I expect you, as our elected representatives, to proceed with your original, stated intention--to introduce, and vote on, a motion to APPROVE the Salem Climate Action Plan! Like every other community on the planet, Salem must take action now to reduce carbon emissions, so that our children and grandchildren will inherit a liveable city, state, and planet!</p>

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Tami Carpenter

From: Thomas Ellis <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 5:24 PM
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Thomas Ellis
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, Oregon

Tami Carpenter

From: Valerie Brooks <vbrooks428@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 2:37 PM
To: citycouncil
Subject: Salem Climate Action Plan

Hello,

I reside in Ward 7, and have done so for the past 7 years.

One question: Why is the Chuck Bennett holding up the approval process to this city's Climate Action Plan? If I had to take a guess, I'd say that his resistance has to do with his relationship with special interest groups, including Northwest Natural.

Our planet is suffering. Salem is the ONLY major city in Oregon that continues to not have an adopted Climate Action Plan - how embarrassing! It's 2021, and the planet isn't getting any healthier.

I don't have kids or grandkids, but I still care about leaving this place better than when I arrived. Salem needs to have a plan in place so that we can begin lowering emissions. Let's be done with the politics, and do the right thing - don't let Chuck Bennett get away with dismissing the Plan we so desperately need.

Sincerely,

Valerie Brooks

January 26, 2022
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350 Salem OR Calls on Mayor Bennett to Stop Blocking Approval of the Climate Action Plan

Salem, Oregon – 350 Salem OR calls on Mayor Chuck Bennett to allow the City Council to consider the draft Salem Climate Action Plan. 350 Salem OR has learned that instead of allowing the City Council to approve or reject the draft Salem Climate Action Plan, the Mayor has directed the City Manager to recommend non-objectionable strategies from the plan to the Council for consideration in February.

Without Council approval, the draft plan won't have official status in future City discussions. Also, Council needs to reevaluate the plan every few years to assess progress on the Council's emission reduction goals. The draft plan is far more than just a list of short-term suggestions.

A report to City Council at their meeting on December 6th stated that "the final draft CAP will come to Council for consideration after the beginning of 2022", but no action has been scheduled.

The final draft of the Salem Climate Action Plan, released in November, was the result of a year of work by a 42-person Task Force appointed by the Mayor. The Task Force was led by the Verdis Group consultants who were paid approximately \$170,000 for their work on the plan.

350 Salem believes that the holdup is due to objections from Northwest Natural against elements of the plan that would reduce or eliminate the use of natural gas (fossil methane) in new developments. Houses built now will stand for 100 years and lock in decades of methane and carbon dioxide pollution. The greenhouse gas inventory completed in 2019 as part of the Climate Action Plan process showed that "stationary emissions," (mostly from natural gas) comprised 16% of total emissions in Salem.

"We object to Mayor Bennett holding up final approval of the Salem Climate Action Plan because of objections from the fossil fuel industry," said 350 Salem OR Co-Coordinator Phil Carver. "Northwest Natural has no right to veto Salem's plan so that they can forever contribute to the climate-related harms that we are already experiencing in Salem."

350 Salem OR began advocating for Salem to have a Climate Action Plan five years ago. Salem is the only major city in Oregon that does not already have an adopted Climate Action Plan.

Prof. Janet Lorenzen, an environmental sociologist at Willamette University explains, “I spent months volunteering my time on the Salem Climate Action Plan Task Force, we worked hard to prioritize both climate and equity, and now the Mayor seems to be caving to special interests who have a business model of unlimited growth and pollution. Residents on the side of clean air, climate resiliency, and racial justice don’t even get a hearing.”

“The Mayor’s approach will never get us to the Council’s adopted goal of cutting our emissions in half by 2035, just 13 short years away,” said Phil Carver. “He should consider his legacy in his last year in office. We ask: Will he stand on the side of the fossil fuel industry or on the side of our children and grandchildren?”

350 Salem OR is the local affiliate of international climate action organization 350.org. The mission of 350 Salem OR is to build an inclusive grassroots movement that targets keeping fossil fuels in the ground, advocates for a just transition to a renewable energy economy, and supports community-based resilience in response to the climate crisis. “350” refers to the safe level of carbon dioxide (ppm) in the air, a level that the world passed in 1988. Today the level is 417 ppm, the highest level in the last 3 million years.

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