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**From:** Joyce Waterhouse, PhD  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 10, 2021 11:10 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Re: Vehicle purchase

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To the mayor and city council,

I would encourage you to purchase electric vehicles instead of gasoline powered vehicles in your upcoming purchase. Everyone, including the city, should do all they can to phase out fossil fuels.

Sincerely,

Joyce Waterhouse, PhD

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**From:** Sean-Michael Berrellez  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 6:41 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** New Fords Being Purchased

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Unfortunately I cannot make it to the meeting tomorrow, however, I find it highly irresponsible and short sighted from the City of Pasadena to be purchasing gas-powered vehicles given the current state of global warming and burning of fossil fuels.

I understand that cars may not be responsible for a large portion of pollution compared to corporation, but I still believe Pasadena should be doing their part. Plus, this move would only further benefit the City, look good for PR and keeps our air cleaner.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Bob Buckner <' '>  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 10, 2021 1:50 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** July 12, 2021 Council Meeting - agenda item 8 - AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH 72 HOUR LLC FOR PURCHASE OF EIGHT SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, SEVEN 3/4-TON TRUCKS AND TWO 1/2-TON TRUCKS FOR A TOTAL OF \$672,512

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Regarding the decision to immediately purchase 17 light duty vehicles for the City of Pasadena, based on the age of the vehicles slated to be retired, you are committing the city to continue to burn gasoline and produce planet heating greenhouse gasses for the next 15 years. By waiting a few months or a couple of years they could be replaced with electric vehicles that will save the City thousands of dollars in fuel and maintenance costs and tons of avoided greenhouse gas emissions. Given the rapid emergence of suitable electric vehicles in the coming months and years this item should be reviewed and modified for the betterment of our collective future.

Robert Buckner

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**From:** Monica Kelly <[monica.kelly@pasadena.net](mailto:monica.kelly@pasadena.net)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 3:25 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Fossil fuel vehicle purchases???

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I am strongly in favor of the Council REJECTING the contract before you on 7/12/21 to purchase gas-powered vehicles. For a city with a green face it is very disingenuous. I do not live in Pasadena, but will breathe the pollution from the vehicles for their lifecycle, and continue to suffer from lack of action on reducing fossil fuel use.

Please take climate-positive action by not moving forward with the proposed city fleet purchase contract. Even a simple internet search identifies multiple options for hybrid trucks, if full electric is not an immediate solution.

Thank you for your attention.

M.Kelly  
South Pasadena

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**From:** Marina Deak  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 4:11 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** New Vehicles Purchase

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Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well. I'm writing to ask that you consider purchasing electric vehicles instead of fossil fuel powered vehicles in the upcoming purchase. As climate change wreaks havoc around the world, we Southern California residents will suffer more and more with extreme heat, droughts and fires, so making mindful choices is key.

Thank you,

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Marina Deak  
(310)

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**From:** Joseph McLaughlin < >  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 4:38 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Stop purchase of gasoline/diesel vehicles.

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As a driver of an electric vehicle, I am dismayed that Pasadena is considering purchasing gasoline and/or diesel powered vehicles for its fleet. The useful life of these new vehicles would extend them well into the future when we should be cutting back on fossil fuel in a drastic way. The environmental impact of these vehicles need to be investigated to comply with California law.

In addition to being in possible violation of law, the emissions from these vehicles will be contributing to global and Pasadena warming for years to come. There is also a danger that these ICE vehicles will become stranded assets due to restrictions on their use as the climate crisis worsens.

It is certainly a prudent and wise move to postpone the purchase of these vehicles until hybrid or all electric vehicles can be purchased. Also, another consideration going forward is the much reduced maintenance and fuel operating expense of electric vehicles.

Sincerely,

Joe McLaughlin

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**From:** Sanford Krasner <[sanford.krasner@gmail.com](mailto:sanford.krasner@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** City council meeting July 12, 2021 - Proposed purchase order for 17 vehicles

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Hello,

I am writing to ask the Pasadena City Council not to proceed with the proposed purchase of 17 fossil-fueled vehicles.

I am not sure of the typical lifetime for a city vehicle, but the typical gasoline-powered car lasts 10-11 years. These vehicles may be burning gasoline, polluting the air, and emitting greenhouse gases for a decade or more. Even with the current electricity mix in California, electric vehicles will produce approximately one-quarter the CO2 emissions of equivalent gasoline-powered vehicles. The electric power used by these vehicles also produces significantly less of other air pollutants. These comparisons will grow more stark as Pasadena's and California's renewable electricity mix improves over the next few years.

The recommendation states that there are no available or feasible alternatives. I question this statement. Two of the proposed trucks are Ford F150s. In Spring 2022, Ford will begin selling an electric F150 Lightning, at a base price of \$39,974, or \$897 more than listed in the recommendation. (I do not have information to compare the specific trim packages, but I would expect the costs to be comparable.) In addition, the electric version will have significantly smaller "fuel" and maintenance costs. Is the need for these trucks so urgent that the City cannot delay this purchase for 9 months?

Ford does not make an electric version of the Edge SUVs. However, a few minutes' search with Google found numerous electric SUVs in the same price range. Are the requirements for these passenger vehicles so stringent that only these particular vehicles are suitable?

I will admit that I was unable to find electric equivalents for the heavy-duty trucks.

I strongly urge the Pasadena City Council not to rush into acquiring these vehicles. Instead consider the lifecycle costs, and the lifecycle impacts on the environment. You will be living with the consequence of these decisions for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sanford Krasner

Altadena, CA 91001

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For identification purposes only, I am an aerospace engineer with Bachelors and Masters degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. I work for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.



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**From:** Carlos Robles  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 5:41 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Purchase of vehicles for the City of Pasadena

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Dear Sir/Madam

My wife and I are former residents of Pasadena, now in La Crescenta, and my wife works full time in Pasadena. We urge you to reconsider the purchase of ICE vehicles for use in city business. If you go ahead, 3-4 years from now the climate situation will appear even more dire than it is right now, and you will be stuck with these polluting vehicles while all your constituents clamor for carbon reduction. Do not saddle us all with further contributions to the climate crisis. Show wisdom and thrift. Not only are EVs far less polluting, their service life is more than twice as long. A little upfront effort and you save in the long run.

Sincerely,

Carlos Robles and Andrea Robles

La Crescenta

US Congressional district 28

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**From:** Dublin Galyean < >  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 5:46 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** More Fossil Fuel Vehicles?

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Dear Councilwomen and Councilmen,

I have always loved Pasadena. I went to Fuller Seminary and both my wife and I worked there. We still go to church there and exercise on the Rose Bowl Loop. Today I went to a chiropractic session on El Molino and we have never stopped buying books at Vroman's. We go to restaurants and concerts in Pasadena, too. I played in the Pasadena Community College orchestra until I injured my shoulder two years ago, but we still buy bon mi sandwiches from Che Cali across the street from the campus.

We now live in South Pasadena and have become concerned about how fossil fuel use contributes to global warming.

**Could you possibly consider electric alternatives to your 3-year contract to buy almost \$700,000 worth of fossil fuel vehicles?**

Here in South Pasadena the city council is considering new police vehicles. We hope we can follow your lead and take a small step into an emissions-free world.

Dublin Galyean

South Pasadena, CA 91030

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**From:** David Guttman <[dave.guttman@pasadenacalifornia.gov](mailto:dave.guttman@pasadenacalifornia.gov)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 6:45 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** PURCHASE FOR EIGHT SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, SEVEN 3/4-TON TRUCKS AND TWO 1/2-TON TRUCKS

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Hi,

I am a Pasadena resident of Steve Madison, District 6, I live at 466 S Euclid Ave.

As the west is experiencing a second heat wave I find it abhorrent that the City of Pasadena is not considering the environmental consequences of this purchase.

I do not agree the this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment. In my option buying seventeen gas powered vehicles when there are less polluting vehicles available for similar prices (and lower maintenance costs) does affect the environment.

My latest vehicle is hydrogen powered which only emits water vapor. Ford has an electric powered truck that is available at the same price as their gas powered one. The larger trucks have hydrogen versions available.

There are many electric and plug in hybrid SUV's available on the market.

I urge the city council to think beyond the short term and make every decision for city funds with the environment and climate change in mind.

Please reconsider this purchase and go green. Our children will thank you for it.

Dave Guttman

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**From:** sally beer <  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 7:16 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** More Gas Vehicles for the City of Pasadena?

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Dear Councilpersons:

Isn't it well past time that Pasadena should transition to an all-electric vehicle fleet and add charging stations for that fleet?

A \$672,512 3-year contract for gas vehicles for this City in 2021 is truly shocking. Vote NO!

Sally Beer  
(former City of Pasadena employee)

Altadena

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**From:** Diana Wright <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 7:46 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** You Must Buy an Electric Fleet for Pasadena

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Hi,

I recently learned you are planning on spending over \$600,000 on a fleet of gas vehicles for the city of Pasadena. Not only do I think this is not forward thinking, but it's also absolutely destructive to the environment. You referenced that you simply don't have the budget to accommodate EV vehicles, well, after having the hottest June on record, the city of Pasadena doesn't have the time to absorb more CO2 into its atmosphere. By buying EV vehicles, you would present a forward thinking plan and set up the city of Pasadena to be cooler in the future literally and figuratively. The press alone will be worth the investment. It's the decisions we make today that will determine whether Los Angeles is even liveable in the future. Isn't that worth the investment?

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE use this money to purchase EV vehicles for the city. My 6 month old daughter deserves a chance to live on a planet that is full of the wonderful plants and animals that we know today. Do not blame a tight budget to mortgage her future!!

Thank you,

Diana Wright

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**From:** Benjamin Smolen  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 7:57 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Gas Powered Fleet

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Hello,

It is my understanding that the city of Pasadena is voting tomorrow afternoon on whether or not to purchase a fleet of gas powered vehicles. Due to the environmental concerns, I, an Eagle Rock resident, would strongly urge you to vote no.

Thank you.

Best,  
Ben Smolen

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**From:** D Shires < >  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 8:37 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** 3 year contract to buy gas vehicles for the city fleet- please vote no!

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Please reject the 3-year contract to buy \$672,512. worth of fossil fuel vehicles for the city fleet. We deserve better. Instead, please transition to an electric fleet unless there is an urgent reason not to do so.

Diane Shires 2 South Pasadena, CA, 91030

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 9:59 PM  
**To:** s.madison@cityofpasadena.net  
**Cc:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Purchase of Fossil Fueled Vehicles for the City

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Dear Mr. Madison and Council Members,

I am reading on the agenda and staff report for item #8 at tomorrow's council meeting that the city will be spending \$672,000+ for new non-hybrid or electric vehicles.

I see many electric city vehicles around the city and park sometimes in the Holly Street garage.

There are many unused charging stations in that building, so the city is not using its charging capacity. No problem with charging now.

I can understand why it's difficult to find trucks at this time that are hybrid or can be fueled by electricity.

**The eight sport utility vehicles are another story.** There are many hybrids and electric SUVs on the market now. Why not purchase eight of those??

The city is to be congratulated for purchasing many new electric vehicles and for that, **we are very grateful and applaud the city for its efforts to clean up our**

**air.**

Why stop this momentum?

Can the current truck fleet not be maintained until larger hybrid trucks are available?? Hopefully, the new trucks would be significantly

more efficient to make it worth not maintaining the older ones.

Thank you for reading my comments and thank you for your service to our city.

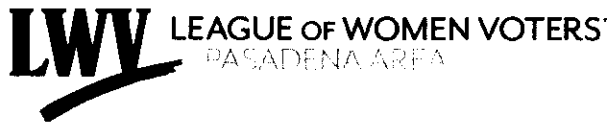
Sincerely,

Molly Kennington

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**JULY 12 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA, ITEM 8: AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH 72 HOUR LLC FOR PURCHASE OF EIGHT SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, SEVEN 3/4-TON TRUCKS AND TWO 1/2-TON TRUCKS FOR A TOTAL OF \$672,512**

Dear Mayor Gordo and City Council Members,

The League of Women Voters Pasadena Area is writing to you to raise questions regarding this proposed fossil-fuel vehicle purchase in light of the City's Climate Action Plan (CAP), and to ask your Council to consider purchase of electric and hybrid vehicles instead of the proposed purchase of fossil-fuel vehicles. This leadership from the Council would signal the City's commitment to fight climate change and contribute to achievement of the State's climate action goals.

The City's Public Works Department is about to initiate its 3-Year Fleet Replacement Plan with the proposed first year purchase. The staff report indicates that **there are no available or feasible electric or hybrid vehicle models currently in the market that will meet department needs and specific vehicle duties required.** Public Works proposes to purchase 8 Ford Edge SUVs, 7 Ford F250 trucks and 2 Ford F150 trucks. However, Ford has an extensive line of hybrid and electric SUVs and trucks. It is unclear why only fossil-fuel vehicles are adequate to meet the City's needs to perform diverse fieldwork such as "maintenance in public right of way, landscaping and irrigation activities, 24/7 response to critical incidents and investigations associated with public safety." The League is concerned that use of the Sourcewell contractor, 72 Hour, may have contributed to the inability to source electric or hybrid vehicles. The staff report indicates that price was the most heavily-weighted factor in the selection of 72 Hour and does not indicate what other factors were considered or how they were weighted.

The State of California has adopted a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. Pasadena's CAP indicates that in 2009, vehicle emissions contributed 52 percent of the greenhouse gas emissions in the City. Per the staff report, the average life cycle of the vehicles is expected to be 10 years, which is beyond 2030.

The staff report asks the Council to find that the proposed purchase is exempt from CEQA because it has no effect on the environment. The staff report does not include mention of the City's CAP in the Council policy consideration. The League questions the omission of the CAP from the policy discussion and asks the Council to find that purchase of fossil-fuel fleet vehicles would fail to implement the CAP.

Climate change is a very serious issue. Our citizens are already experiencing more extreme weather with higher temperatures, warmer winters, less rainfall, declining groundwater basin levels, poorer air quality

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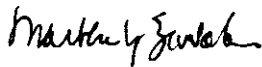
and increased threat of wildfire. Purchase of new fossil fuel fleet vehicles would have significant cumulative adverse impacts to greenhouse gas emissions driving climate change. Further, this purchase would set a bad example when the City is supposed to be encouraging citizens to transition to EVs.

To help cities to contribute to the State's climate goal, the Legislature is currently considering AB 1110, which would use the State's bulk purchasing power for the benefit of local government acquisition of zero-emission fleet vehicles and equipment. Annual purchases would be made by the State Department of General Services on behalf of local government entities beginning in June 2022 and extending through 2027. This legislation has been supported by Assembly Member Holden and Senator Portantino.

The request to exempt the "proposed purchase...from CEQA because it has no effect on the environment" must be reconsidered expressly because the purchase will not advance the City's stated goals to improve the environment. Swapping out one fleet with another that pollutes equally is not a harmless action. It delays coming to grips with the changes that must be made, inconvenient as they may be. Deferred action is no action.

The League of Women Voters encourages the City of Pasadena to take a leadership role in the San Gabriel Valley to initiate and maintain momentum for climate-smart actions. We request that the Council question the urgency of this proposed purchase, determine that electric and/or hybrid vehicles will meet the needs of the City and return this item to the Department of Public Works for identification of options that include electric and hybrid vehicles.

Respectfully submitted,



Martha Zavala  
President  
League of Women Voters Pasadena Area

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**From:** Benjamin G. <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 11, 2021 11:13 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Correspondence Submission for 12-July-21 Meeting

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Correspondence Submission from Benjamin Garza

I am a 16-year old student who is very concerned about the future of our planet and am writing because you (the Pasadena City Council) are about to make a critical decision which will impact not only the residents of Pasadena but also the citizens of the world. You are about to decide whether or not to approve the purchase of \$672,512 worth of gasoline-powered maintenance vehicles. Purchasing a fossil-fueled fleet will result in more contaminated air and the release of more man-made carbon dioxide, the greenhouse gas which is the most responsible for the rise of global temperatures. It is also an unwise financial choice.

First, when fossil fuels are burned, carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxide are released. Common side effects of these toxins include head pain and respiratory problems. In addition, smog—a visible form of air pollution—is created by fossil fuel combustion. If the purchase is made, local residents will have to inhale more polluted air than they already do.

Second, if these vehicles are purchased, residents' tax payments will be used in a way that worsens human-caused climate change. Although carbon dioxide is not toxic to inhale, it traps a large amount of heat energy and increases average global temperatures. Even small increases in average global temperatures cause more frequent and harmful natural disasters, including droughts. Transportation is currently the main source of greenhouse gas emissions in the country. In fact, the combustion of every gallon of gasoline releases about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide. For this reason, a transition to vehicles which do not rely on fossil fuels is necessary.

Third, spending money on these vehicles is not the best financial choice. Even though fossil-fueled vehicles might seem like the most affordable choice right now, it is important to consider the maintenance and fuel expenses in addition to the initial purchase price. Gasoline is very expensive compared to electricity, and gasoline-fueled vehicles have higher maintenance costs than electric ones.

Purchasing \$672,512 worth of fossil-fueled vehicles is not the best environmental or economic choice. Pasadena has joined the national Climate Mayors EV Purchasing Collaborative and adopted a climate action plan which acknowledges the need to transition away from gasoline-powered vehicles. Purchasing more fossil-fueled vehicles is not consistent with the city's climate-related goals. By switching to electric vehicles, the city of Pasadena will be a leader and example for surrounding cities. It is important to remember that the purchase choices of surrounding cities will affect Pasadena residents too.

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**From:** Ian Mayberry  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 1:09 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Council Meeting - Truck Spending

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Hello,

This email is in regards to the Pasadena City Council meeting this Monday to approve spending for a set of Ford SUVs, light-duty and heavy-trucks.

I'd like to urge the council to please consider purchasing electric vehicles with these funds rather than gasoline powered vehicles. It's important for us to reduce carbon emissions as much as possible at this point, and transition away from fossil fuels. Ford will have all electric F-150 "Lightning" trucks available in Spring of 2022.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
Ian Mayberry

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 7:01 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** for the city council - urgent

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I understand that the Pasadena City Council is considering purchasing over \$600,000 worth of fossil-fueled vehicles to update the city's motor pool.

I feel that this would be a serious mistake because:

1. These would contribute to global warming by adding CO2 to the atmosphere – the current heat wave is yet another example of the dangers of global warming driven by such emissions.

2. Over the perhaps 10-year lifetime of these vehicles, electric vehicles will become an increasingly attractive alternative, both economically and environmentally.

I urge the City Council to switch to electric vehicles for all or most of the planned purchases.

Thank you very much

Michael Werner

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Michael Werner

, Pasadena, CA 91107

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**From:** Leigh Adams  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 7:06 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Masuda, Gene; Kennedy, John J.; Wilson, Andy; Hampton, Tyron; Williams, Felicia; Rivas, Jose  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 8 - Please Invest in Cleaner, 21st Century Vehicles

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I moved out of Pasadena and up to Altadena as I felt the air was less toxic. As a local resident who cares about the quality of the air we breathe and the future of our climate, I urge the Council to delay adoption of Agenda Item 8.

The transportation sector is the main source of local air pollution in the City of Pasadena, which lies within one of the most pollution-burdened air basins in the United States. High rates of asthma and other respiratory illnesses, as well as cognitive impairments, some cancers, and even obesity have all been linked to exposure to high levels of air pollution. In addition, the transportation sector - primarily on-road individual and commercial vehicles - is responsible for over half of all GHG emissions in the state of California when one accounts for emissions related to the extraction, processing, and distribution of oil.

The City can help accelerate the adoption of cleaner vehicles by leading by example. Please delay the proposed purchase of almost \$700,000 in fuel-inefficient vehicles and ask staff to review existing and soon-to-be-available near and zero emission vehicles. At a minimum, there are a number hybrid SUV and pickup options in 2021. If the City can wait a few more months, Pasadena could be one of the first cities in the region to purchase all-electric pickup trucks such as the Ford F-150, which is already taking orders.

Let Pasadena be a leader in addressing this issue!

Thank you, Leigh Adams

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**From:** Pilar Reynaldo <  
**Sent:** Monday, July 12, 2021 8:06 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Masuda, Gene; Kennedy, John J.; Wilson, Andy; Hampton, Tyron; Williams, Felicia; Rivas, Jose.  
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It is long been time to invest in the future.

Sincerely,

Pilar Reynaldo

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Item 8

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Mayor Gordo and members of the City Council,

At this time of climate emergency we should not be participating as a city in continuing to contribute to greenhouse gas emissions. It is urgent that the city take a responsible position in protecting the health and welfare of its residents by NOT purchasing fossil fuel vehicles. Instead the city must purchase zero emission vehicles. They are available and it is the only responsible thing to do now.

Please deny the purchase of fossil fuel vehicles and procure zero emission vehicles.

Thank you,  
Kathy Berlin



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As a local resident who cares about the quality of the air we breathe and the future of our climate, I urge the Council to delay adoption of Agenda Item 8.

The transportation sector is the main source of local air pollution in the City of Pasadena, which lies within one of the most pollution-burdened air basins in the United States. High rates of asthma and other respiratory illnesses, as well as cognitive impairments, some cancers, and even obesity have all been linked to exposure to high levels of air pollution. In addition, the transportation sector - primarily on-road individual and commercial vehicles - is responsible for over half of all GHG emissions in the state of California when one accounts for emissions related to the extraction, processing, and distribution of oil.

The City can help accelerate the adoption of cleaner vehicles by leading by example. Please delay the proposed purchase of almost \$700,000 in fuel-inefficient vehicles and ask staff to review existing and soon-to-be-available near and zero emission vehicles. At a minimum, there are a number hybrid SUV and pickup options in 2021. If the City can wait a few more months, Pasadena could be one of the first cities in the region to purchase all-electric pickup trucks such as the Ford F-150, which is already taking orders.

Thank you,