From:

Sanford Krasner

Sent:

Sunday, September 19, 2021 4:36 PM

To:

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Subject:

MSC Meeting 9/20/2021 - Purchase of internal combustion vehicles

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I would like to request that the Municipal Services Committee pay attention to the impact of purchasing fossil-fueled vehicles which will be in use, and emitting greenhouse gases, for years to come.

The California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) provides information on available zero- or low-emission vehicles, and vouchers to reduce the cost of purchase. Many cities have had very good experiences purchasing these vehicles.

Electric vehicles typically have 10% of the moving parts of internal-combustion engine (ICE) vehicles. Multiple studies have shown that maintenance costs for these vehicles, as well as costs to "fuel" them, result in a lifetime cost that is significantly less than equivalent ICE vehicles.

Purchase or lease of these vehicles will save the city money, and will make a major contribution to reaching the greenhouse-gas emission targets of the City of Pasadena and the State of California. It will reduce the pollution that is still a problem in Southern California, and the effect on environmentally-impacted communities.

Sanford Krasner

Altadena, California

From:

Peter Parker

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To:

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Subject:

Purchase of Fossil Fuel vehicles

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more...<a href="mailto:more...</a>/mydoit.cityofpasadena.net/sp?id=kb\_article\_view&sysparm\_article=KB0010263>.

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Pasadena must NOT purchase fossil fuel vehicles of any type, sport utility, vans, trucks or heavy lifting operations and transport. The warnings not only of Antonio Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations, but also of our own JPL scientist Peter Kalmus (in an urgent editorial published in the

Guardian) warn humanity that at our present rate, climate change catastrophe will overtake us while we idle around saying "Next time we will buy EV's." There can be no "Next time."

Cancel current orders and examine the forward-looking EV/Hybrid choices and advice of all those working hard toward climate change and CO2 abatement, Let Pasadena become a role model for all of its neighbors, and for California and recalcitrant states. The public may have to start grading its local and state representatives from A+ to F in an annual published report of progress toward fossil fuel reduction. Must we shame our public councils into action?

From:

Kathy Berlin

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 9:16 AM

To:

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Subject: Attachments: City Council Meeting 9/20/21 LWV-PA Itr to City Council 9-20-21.pdf; LWV-PA Itr to MSC 9-13-21.pdf

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Attached please find two letters from the League of Women Voters Pasadena Area for the City Council meeting today, 9/20/21. One letter is addressed to the City Council. The other letter which is addressed to the MSC is an attachment to the letter to the City Council as noted in paragraph one of that letter.

Please distribute both letters to the City Council prior to the meeting today.

Thank you, Kathy Berlin LWV-PA



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September 20, 2021

City Council City Hall 100 N. Garfield Avenue Pasadena, CA 91109-7215

# RE: FOSSIL FUEL VEHICLE PURCHASE FOR PASADENA FLEET AGENDA ITEMS #5, 6 AND 7

Dear Members of the Pasadena City Council:

We previously provided the Municipal Services Committee (MSC) of this Council (letter dated September 13, 2021) with a full explanation of our concerns about the proposed purchase of internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles for the City fleet. See attached copy. We are disappointed that the MSC voted to recommend the purchase by a 3-1 vote.

We briefly restate here our reasons for believing that the proposed purchase of ICE vehicles is imprudent.

First, there are alternatives. Several EV's and plug-in hybrids are currently on the market and others will arrive in 2022. The only comparison of performance, GHG emissions and price was made to the Ford Explorer hybrid, a larger vehicle that is not an EV.

Second, there are numerous resources available to advise and assist the city in the purchase of EVs such as the Electrification Coalition and the Climate Mayor's Electric Vehicle Purchasing Collaborative. Sole source procurement from an outdated contract from 2016 seems unsuitable in this situation where there is a great need for up-to-date information and pricing.

With respect to the truck procurement identified in item 5 and in items 6 and 7, the State of California HVIP Program (Hybrid and Zero Emission Vehicle Incentive Program) includes a database of 140 truck and bus vehicles and a funding program that may save taxpayer funds. <a href="https://californiahvip.org/">https://californiahvip.org/</a> We realize that the City's operating departments have more information about the exact vehicle requirements in this case and about procurement practices in general, but we do hope that these information resources will be utilized before a final decision is made.

Third, and most important, we ask the full Council to send a message with this vote that climate action is an urgent matter, not a matter for future deliberation. GHG emissions damage our

quality of life, our property and our children's future. The City Council needs to make every action count.

Thank you for your careful consideration of these important issues.

Sincerely,

Martha Y. Zavala

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President, League of Women Voters, Pasadena Area



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September 13, 2021

Municipal Services Committee City Hall 100 N. Garfield Avenue Pasadena, CA 91109-7215

Dear Municipal Services Committee (MSC):

#### RE: FOSSIL FUEL VEHICLE PURCHASE FOR PASADENA FLEET

We have carefully read the draft memo dated September 20, 2021, concerning the proposed purchase of fossil fuel vehicles for the Pasadena fleet. We remain concerned that the process used for the procurement was perfunctory, did not appropriately consider non-fossil fuel alternatives, and gave too much deference to an outdated single source vendor contract. Unfortunately, the new memo does not offer information responsive to the issues discussed at the City Council meeting.

We appreciate the difficulty of procurement decisions, but we encourage the MSC to ask staff to augment their report by responding to the issues raised. We offer the following positive suggestions for how to proceed.

- 1. Identify *specifically* what the functional and operational requirements are for the requested SUVs and trucks (Vehicle Requirements).
- 2. Identify EVs or plug-in hybrids currently on the market or anticipated to be on the market in the next two years (Market Choices) including but not limited to:
  - a. Volkswagen ID.4 EV
  - b. Hyundai Kona EV and Ioniq
  - c. Ford Escape (EV in 2022)
  - d. Ford Maverick hybrid
  - e. Hummer EV
  - f. Chrysler Pacifica Plug in Hybrid
  - g. Tesla 3, Tesla S, Tesla Y
- 3. To support action #2, reach out to:
  - a. the Climate Mayors Electric Vehicle Purchasing Collaborative for information and options. <a href="https://climatemayors.org/ev-purchasing-collaborative/">https://climatemayors.org/ev-purchasing-collaborative/</a>.
  - b. the Electrification Coalition between Sourcewell and UCLA. <a href="https://news.sourcewell-mn.gov/an-electrifying-partnership/">https://news.sourcewell-mn.gov/an-electrifying-partnership/</a>
  - c. counterpart officials in cities that have evaluated and implemented EV purchasing plans, like Fremont, CA, Columbus, OH, New York City, NY, Winter Park, FL. See: <a href="https://driveevfleets.org/media/">https://driveevfleets.org/media/</a>
  - d. Sourcewell to determine if it has issued, or will issue, an RFP to qualify EV vendors for the Vehicle Requirements set forth in item # 1 above.

- 4. Where there is a timing gap between Vehicle Requirements (#1) and Market Choices (#2), consider leasing as an option to bridge the gap. Leasing can prevent a longer-term commitment to vehicles running on fossil fuels.
- 5. Instead of relying on a 2016 single source contract, exercise due diligence by contacting fleet managers and fleet departments, not just individual dealerships or vendors who may not be as committed as the city to transition to EVs. Include vehicles that are not in stock but projected to be available within 120 days. When comparing price, take "contingency allowances" into account, such as the 10% price increase in the 72-Hour LLC proposal.
- 6. Clarify any additional equipment to be fitted onto the SUVs, whether these are part of the purchase price, and whether they can be added to any vehicle identified in #2.
- Develop a specific and transparent conversion strategy and forecast. Elaborate on a plan that
  includes budget estimates for transitioning to 100% Zero Emission Vehicles by 2035, the date
  required by California law.
- 8. Include a forecast of non-fossil fuel options available in the short (2 year), medium (5-7 year) and long term (through 2035) time frame. Specific and firm information for vehicles for the long term may not be available at this time, but budget forecasts, market intelligence and changing Vehicle Requirements are among the matters that can be considered.
- 9. Adopt procurement policies that weight reduction of GHG emissions at least as heavily as price.
- 10. Task a specific staff member with responsibility and adequate resources for this work and public communication given the high level of public interest in the topic.

We also encourage the MSC to decline the request of City staff that the Council "find" that fossil fuel vehicles do not "have an effect on the environment" within the meaning of CEQA. Such a finding would put the Council in the untenable position of making a finding at odds with the City's own 2018 Climate Action Plan (CAP). That CAP states unequivocally that the greatest source of harmful greenhouse gas emissions is from fossil fuel vehicles. The goal is to substantively reduce current levels of GHG emissions, not to maintain current levels.

Finally, we encourage the MSC to return—for further work and analysis—the Power Point presentation entitled "City's Zero Emission Fleet Strategy and Forecast." This document is far too general to serve as a strategy or forecast. It provides little information, other than generalities, on the critical question of how the City will comply with California law requiring transition to 100% Zero Emission Vehicles by 2035.

We are past the time when price-only procurement and single source contracts for fleet vehicles can serve the needs of our community. Public procurement is important not only in its own right but also because it sets an example for the entire community to follow.

We have a great fight on our hands, the fight against the devastating effects of greenhouse gas emissions on our quality of life, our property and the survival of our children and grandchildren. Increasing heat, storms, and water shortages are frightening portents of things to come unless we make a prompt transition to a new way.

We appreciate the importance of our City staff and the hard work they do. We recognize that they execute their work with great professionalism and that they are responsive to policies set by our City leaders. They will effectively carry out any mandate.

The League of Women Voters at the national, state, and local level has no higher priority than climate change. Join us in this mission and take every opportunity that presents itself to safeguard our environment.

Sincerely,

Martha Y. Zavala

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President, League of Women Voters Pasadena Area

From:

Gary Day

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 11:26 AM

To:

PublicComment-AutoResponse

Subject:

Re: Authorization to purchase cars and trucks

**Attachments:** 

**Emergency Decision Making.docx** 

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I don't really know much about buying cars or trucks for a city, but I am convinced the context surrounding the issue is an **Emergency!** Unless the Department of Public Works has considered that we are in a crisis the entire matter must be reconsidered. I've attached a framework for all future city decisions.

# New Decision Making Criteria--An Emergency

The newest climate report by the IPCC should alarm everyone. Clearly, the catastrophe that we all knew was coming some time in the future, is now here. With much of the East coast underwater and the West on fire it's time to prepare for extreme disruption. Three days ago the United Nations chief, Antonio Guterrez, said the world is on target to reach 2.7 degrees celsius heating even if all the member nations stated reduction goals are met (1.5 degrees celsius is the goal). He said "We face an emergency". Yet, other than Covid masks and a few more solar panels and charging stations, most things remain strangely unchanged in Pasadena. School sports teams travel on fossil-fueled buses to play teams in other towns, restaurants and schools order food from distant farms, trash and compostable materials are shipped out of town, school lawns are mowed by gas-powered mowers, playground hardscapes are freshly painted, runoff water is routed to storm drains, many of us get into our cars to get a latte or go to gyms, and our kids still eat unhealthy food grown and processed hundreds of miles away.

When you are in an emergency, you do whatever it takes to overcome the problem. In a crisis, you boldly strike out with daring moves that don't always guarantee success. In our current situation it means changing everything we do--the way we live, work, educate our kids and eat. The future should not be getting back to normal, since our normal lives have caused the crisis. In an emergency shouldn't the number one goal be to save the world and give our kids a shot at a livable future?

So what should the leaders of Pasadena do? The answer is quite simple--do what is necessary and do it fast. If there are extremely contentious issues a "Citizens Assembly" can be chosen to arbitrate the decision. The time for patiently-thought-out, perfectly-orchestrated, deliberate action was 20-30 years ago.

# A Massively Short List of What We Could be Doing

- Declare an emergency--24 towns in the U.S. have done so including New York and San Francisco. Declaring an emergency adds a sense of urgency and puts citizens on notice that fundamental changes are coming. Leaders don't just poll their constituents, they make decisions based on the best available evidence. The decision making process will be entirely different given the context of an emergency.
- 2. Eliminate fossil fuels in the city--ration driving time, mandate all new construction be electric, expand solar, prohibit the use of natural gas, close streets, prohibit gas gardening tools, etc. Certainly this would have an impact on how the city purchases new vehicles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A Citizens Assembly is a statistically-relevant, randomly-selected group of citizens charged with deciding an issue (possibly even having the ability to enforce the decision). Used in many situations around the world, probably the most cited example of its success is in Ireland 2016.

- 3. Give food top priority--The latest U.N. report<sup>2</sup> discloses that agriculture will be one of the key climate mitigation strategies. Localizing food production will be critical. Every available piece of land should be utilized for food production, including football fields and golf courses (sorry, but remember, we're in an emergency!) Give incentives for a "victory garden" program. Get PCC involved in scientific studies with perennial grains that citizens can grow and mill locally. Create a City Conservation Corps based on what is being discussed on a federal level. Make soil regeneration and city beautification an alternative to the military. Locally-grown food will be a huge job creator along with an entirely new look and feel to the city--imagine trails, parks, local farms/gardens where citizens volunteer their time (and homeless people could live/work).
- 4. Localize everything possible. Consider incentives/disincentives for products imported from outside the city/county/state. Incentivise local shopping with tokenization.
- 5. Institute a city-wide composting program--collecting compostables at curbside with fossil-fuel burning trucks and shipping it out of the city is far less than ideal. Have a fleet of bikers pick up kitchen scraps. City compost will fuel food-growing programs.
- 6. Institute a new curriculum for all PUSD students that emphasises one thing: **SAVING OURSELVES**. A recent study shows a dramatic increase in youth "climate anxiety" with government inaction as one of the main culprits. Forty-five percent of the study's respondents said that thinking about climate change impaired their daily functions. Why would we continue educating kids in a way that traumatizes them?
- 7. Mandate water catchment basins, grey water systems, and cisterns. Prohibit lawns in conjunction with incentives to grow food. The future of lawns is easily gleaned in Las Vegas where water is scarce..

All current climate science and climate events clearly show that we don't have the luxury of planning for a future of business as usual. Life-changing decisions are mandatory. The upside--many of these changes will result in healthier, happier, more-productive lives. Whatever we decide, it must be done now.

It's true that quick, drastic change, seems unrealistic. The brutal truth confronting us now is that "We Don't Have a Choice"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021 08 adv.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=3918955

From:

Catherine Woods

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 11:31 AM

To:

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Subject:

Agenda items #'s 5, 6 and 7

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Dear City Council members,

I am a Pasadena resident with 3 school age children. I'm am concerned about their future. I hope that you will decide not to purchase fossil fuel vehicles for our City. Your decision in favor of more environmentally friendly vehicles will send a clear message to our community that you care about the future of our children.

Thank you for your consideration,

Catherine Woods

Pasadena, CA 91106

From:

William Denman

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 12:54 PM

To:

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Cc:

Gordo, Victor

Subject:

Planned Purchase of Gas Vehicles

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As a local resident who cares deeply about the quality of the air we breathe and the future of our climate, I urge the Council put the brakes on plans to spend almost a million dollars on gas vehicles that will be on the road for more than a decade. Ford, which the city is planning on purchasing the vehicles from, has both gas and plug-in hybrid options that could greatly reduce emissions.

As you know our window to act on the climate crisis is closing rapidly. 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. The city should be looking at both alternatives to using personal gas vehicles as well as improved infrastructure which limits all of our reliance of personal vehicles.

The City can take another step to implementing its own Climate Action Plan and accelerate the adoption of cleaner vehicles by leading by example. If the City can wait a few more months, Pasadena could be one of the first cities in the region to purchase zero emission alternatives.

Thank you,

William Denman

Subject:

FW: City Fleet

----Original Message-----From: Kitty Kroger

Sent: Monday, September 20, 2021 1:19 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse < publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: City Fleet

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It is discouraging that the City of Pasadena feels compelled to add to the CO2 in the atmosphere by buying fossil fuel vehicles for the fleet. When I hear comments from City Council members such as, "It's nice to be green, but....," I want to say, "No, it's not 'nice' to be green, it's 'crucial' to be green. And there can be no 'but'."

When council members say "There's no way we can do this right now," I want to say, "Where there's a will, there's a way." The problem is, there is no will, therefore there is no way.

Kathryn Kroger, Pasadena 91106

Subject:

FW: upcoming vehicle purchases

----Original Message-----From: Barry Olafson

Sent: Sunday, September 19, 2021 7:00 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: upcoming vehicle purchases

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**Dear City Council:** 

Re: City Council Agenda items #5,6 and 7.

I am a Pasadena resident in District 6. I noticed in a Pasadena Star New article that the city is purchasing eight Ford Edge SUVs. This is a mistake since there is at least one adequate EV SUV replacement, the Volkswagen ID.4. The overall sizes are similar (189" L x 76" W x 68" H for the Ford Edge and 181" L x 73" W x 64" H for the ID.4). The price for a Ford Edge starts at \$32,750. The lowest price for the ID.4 is \$39,995 but with the \$10,000 in federal and state rebates it may actually be cheaper than the Ford Edge. If the City of Pasadena is truly committed to reducing greenhouse gases and wants to do its part to stop our runaway climate, this is a very easy decision. If the city proceeds to purchase vehicles with internal combustion engines that will still be emitting greenhouse gases ten years from now, in will be in complete contradiction to your statements indicating your concern for the environment.

Yours truly, Barry Olafson, PhD

From:

Allis Druffel

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 1:49 PM

To:

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Cc:

Allis Druffel

Subject:

Time-Sensitive: Urging electric vehicles - Agenda Items 5, 6, and 7 - 9/20 meeting

**Attachments:** 

Pasadena City EV's not FF's 09.20.21.docx

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#### Hello!

Please see attached a letter to City Council members urging choices of electric vehicles in regards to agenda items 5, 6, and 7 for this afternoon's City Council meeting.

Thank you and all the best,

#### Allis Druffel

PS - though I live in Sierra Madre now, I grew up in Pasadena and lived there for many years. My mother, who passed away in 2020, lived in beautiful Pasadena since 1956. Pasadena rocks!

Allis Druffel, IHM Southern California Director California Interfaith Power & Light (310) 752-3436 allis@interfaithpower.org www.interfaithpower.org





September 20, 2021

Municipal Services Committee City Council Members City of Pasadena 100 N. Garfield Avenue Pasadena, California 91109-7215

RE: Purchase Electric Vehicles, Not Fossil Fuel Vehicles

Dear MSC and City Council Members,

California Interfaith Power & Light (CIPL) works with the faith community on energy efficiency, renewable energy, and environmental education and advocacy. Of our 720 member congregations in California, six are in the City of Pasadena, and are very active in the transition to clean energy. We are very concerned that forty percent of greenhouse gas warming in the Golden State is from transportation, with the accompanying pollution linked to respiratory and cardiac illness, hospitalizations, increased risk of cancer and premature death.

We understand that the City of Pasadena is moving toward the purchase of eight Ford Edge SUVs, two light-duty vehicles, and seven heavy-duty trucks for its Police, Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Community Services. We would encourage you very strongly to instead purchase electric vehicles. CIPL has been involved, for years, on the switch to electrification of transportation from fossil fuel vehicles, and has seen the impressive increase of electric vehicle options. Electric vehicles are reliable, do not pollute the air, and are fun to drive. And while the upfront purchase price may in some cases be more expensive, they more than make up for this in terms of savings on gas, less maintenance, and reliability in the long run. Anyone driving behind or near an electric vehicle from the City of Pasadena will breathe easy and be thankful for your choice.

As people of faith, we know that our choices matter. The City of Pasadena can make a strong – and visibly significant – step in protecting public health and decreasing pollution by choosing to electrify this next fleet of City vehicles.

Thank you for your attention in this matter and please reach out to learn of more about faith/climate action in the beautiful City of Pasadena.

Sincerely,

aleis Druffel

Allis Druffel, Southern California Director

From:

ruth judkins

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 2:32 PM

To:

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Subject:

Proposed purchase of internal combustion engines vehicles for City Fleet

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### Dear Mayor and City Council:

I live in neighboring Altadena but spend much time in Pasadena shopping, attending meetings, dining and visiting. It is a favorite city.

The governing body for Altadena is The LA County Board of Supervisors and on April 30, 2021, they unamiously agreed to Policy No. 3.020, Clean Fuel-Sustainable Fleet, that provides standards on the transition of the County's motor fleet to zero-emission vehicles. They have committed to replacing zero emission vehicles for the County when replacing ALL County vehicles, to the extent they are available and that they meet operational needs.

The proposal was justified and passed because Los Angeles County continues to suffer from the worst air quality in the nation, and the research indicates that more than 7,000 people die prematurely each year due to air pollution-related illness. The LA Countywide Sustainability Plan includes actions to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from County facilities operations, including calling for maximizing the number of zero-emissions vehicles is critical to achieve our climate goals since over 40% of the GHG emmisions in the County are from transportation. It also establishes standards for the new vehicle purchases and vehicle replacement cycles that will ensure the County's vehicles are replaced in a fiscally responsible and consistent manner that reduces energy consumption, criteria pollutants generation, and GHG emissions.

The Board approval of this plan supports the County's Strategic Plan II..3, Make Environmental Sustainability our Daily Reality by addressing the serious threat of global climate change by creating and implementing policies and programs to reduce the emission of GHG from all sectors of the community, and supporting a clean, flexible, and integrated multi-modal transportation system that uses and promotes electric and other clean vehicle technologies across all vehicle classes.

I am hopeful that the Pasadena City Council will recognize the threat to our air quality that purchasing new internal combustion engine vehicles would bring to Pasadena and neighboring cities over the life of these vehicles. I am further hopeful they will ask staff to research further to look for EV vechicles that are available or soon to be available and meet the requirements of the vehicles needing replacement, even if this means postponing purchase at this time.

Thank you, Ruth Judkins

Altaena, CA 91001

From:

Cary D Belling

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 2:51 PM

To:

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Gordo, Victor

Subject:

No on purchasing more polluting vehicles!

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#### Hello Victor,

As our mayor and previous council member representing my district, I know you care deeply about how the climate crises affects all of Pasadena, and especially those who have less means to deal with it. We face a long term world wide cataclysm unfolding before our eyes as fires rage all over California. If we don't collectively take action, it's only going to get much worse. Pasadena residents understand the problem, and expect you to make a responsible choice. Therefore I call upon you, and all council members and city staff to stop purchasing Internal combustion vehicles. Alternatively, Electric vehicles will greatly reduce the city's carbon footprint. I urge the Council put the brakes on plans to spend almost a million dollars on polluting gas vehicles that will be on the road for more than a decade.

The climate crises we face demands that the City of Pasadena must drastically reduce our GHG emissions. As President Biden is saying "We must act now". There are no excuses for purchasing internal combustion vehicles when much cleaner electric alternatives are on the market.

As you know our window to act on the climate crisis is closing rapidly. 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.

The City can take another step to implementing its own Climate Action Plan and accelerate the adoption of cleaner vehicles by leading by example. If the City can wait a few more months, Pasadena could be one of the first cities in the region to purchase zero emission alternatives.

Thank you, Cary Belling Pasadena Complete Streets Coalition Member Washington Square Neighborhood Association member.

# www.carybelling.com

"We are the change that we seek". - Barack Obama

From:

Pilar Reynaldo

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 3:49 PM

To:

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Gordo, Victor

Subject:

Cleaner car fleet

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Thank you,

Pilar Reyanldo Concerned citizen

Sent from my iPhone PRM

From:

cityclerk

Sent:

Monday, September 20, 2021 4:26 PM

To:

Flores, Valerie; Iraheta, Alba; Jomsky, Mark; Martinez, Ruben; Novelo, Lilia; Reese,

Latasha; Robles, Sandra

Subject:

FW: 9/20/21 City council agenda Items #5, 6, & 7

From: Denise Jones

Sent: Monday, September 20, 2021 4:26:01 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)

To: cityclerk <cityclerk@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: 9/20/21 City council agenda Items #5, 6, & 7

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# Hello Pasadena City Councilmember:

Regarding City Council 9/20/21 Agenda Items 5, 6 & 7, please consider the significance of climate change and fossil fuel emissions on our environment.

Please reject the staff recommendation for the purchase of fossil fuel fleet vehicles, especially for SUVs and trucks. Also, it would be great to consider leasing as an option to meet City needs until non-fossil fuel vehicles are available.

Priority should be given to developing and implementing a strategy to transition to Zero Emission fleet vehicles. We need a better approach which takes into account the climate crisis which we face.

Thank you.

Denise Jones
District One Resident

From:

cityclerk

Sent:

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# Hello Pasadena City Councilmember:

Regarding City Council 9/20/21 Agenda Items 5, 6 & 7, please consider the significance of climate change and fossil fuel emissions on our environment.

Please reject the staff recommendation for the purchase of fossil fuel fleet vehicles, especially for SUVs and trucks. Also, it would be great to consider leasing as an option to meet City needs until non-fossil fuel vehicles are available.

Priority should be given to developing and implementing a strategy to transition to Zero Emission fleet vehicles. We need a better approach which takes into account the climate crisis which we face.

Thank you.

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