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Honorable Board Members,

We need to take aggressive action on minimizing internal combustion engine vehicles. I urge you to exert every effort to invest in electrically powered ambulances. If they are not available, plug in hybrid vehicles would be a good second choice. More electric vehicles are coming on the market and it is extremely important to eliminate global warming. I hope that the City of Pasadena will do its part in converting all municipal vehicles to electric driven ones.

Thank you for your consideration.

Peter T. Parker

Altadena, CA 91001

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Dear Councilmembers,
Please do not invest in any more fossil fuel vehicles. Do not give short-sighted approval to the funds for the costly gas powered ambulances. Think climate!
Thank you
Therese Brummel
D2 resident 43 years

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August 15, 2022

Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council
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Pasadena, CA 91109-7215
Via email

Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

**AGENDA ITEM #7: THE PURCHASE OF TWO GASOLINE-POWERED
AMBULANCES**

The League of Women Voters of the Pasadena Area requests that the Pasadena City Council direct the city staff to investigate the opportunities available to purchase electric ambulances before a decision is made about the city purchasing two fossil fuel powered ambulances. The urgent climate crisis that we are experiencing requires that we pursue all opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and thereby mitigate the damages of climate change. Since the proposed fossil fuel powered ambulances will not be available for 500 days, almost a year and a half, it is even more important that the city pursue electric options. The climate crisis will only become worse with time.

Below are several examples of information available about electric ambulances. There is a company in El Monte that manufactures electric ambulances. Los Angeles has an electric ambulance. New York City has an electric ambulance. And there is much more information at the following sites:

<https://investors.revgroup.com/investor-releases/2022/03-04-2022-150023261>

PREVIEW- LAFD's new Electric Fire Engine <https://youtu.be/XX6BwSlyX1Y>

Electric Ambulances: Are They Really Being Manufactured and When Will They Be at a Hospital Near You?
<https://blinkcharging.com/electric-ambulances-are-they-really-being-manufactured-and-when-will-they-be-at-a-hospital-near-you/?locale=en>

<https://www.autoevolution.com/news/battery-electric-ambulances-to-operate-on-the-roads-of-california-starting-next-year->

176578.html#:~:text=The%20first%20ones%20are%20scheduled,switch%20to%20battery%20electric%20ambulances

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/eshachhabra/2022/04/14/ambulance-business-goes-electric-with-its-new-fleet/?sh=432b67fecaab>

Pasadena must consider the effects on the climate of all its decisions.

We know it is difficult for the city's operational departments to make a sharp pivot and begin responding to the climate crisis by considering the effects of its purchases on our air quality, temperature, wildfires, and drought. All these effects are the result of climate change which is caused by GHG emissions. The challenge of the climate crisis requires the city to find new ways and places to do business. Each and every decision beginning NOW must be made with this in mind. We cannot continue to make fossil fuel powered purchases from the usual businesses selling those products.

We encourage you to ask the operating departments to act proactively in response to the climate crisis. In this instance, request comprehensive information on the availability of electric ambulances so you can make a truly informed decision about this matter. Electric ambulances are available and in use.

We appreciate how complex your jobs have become. Thank you for your dedication and for working to keep Pasadena safe.

Respectfully submitted,



Martha Y. Zavala
President, League of Women Voters Pasadena Area

McMillan, Acquanette (Netta)

From: Kitty Kroger
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Subject: Agenda Item 7 on purchase of 2 rescue ambulances

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Dear City Council,

Thank you for giving me, a Pasadena resident, the opportunity to present my reaction when I read this proposal for gas-powered ambulances and hear that you may approve it.

I am mystified and saddened when I learn that all in your power may not be done to mitigate climate change, as indicated by your reluctance to purchase electrically powered ambulances for the fire department's fleet.

If most cities in the United States adopted policies to reduce emissions wherever possible, then just think about the amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere that would significantly decline. But if cities let obstacles get in their way—even when they are significant, as I understand you are rightfully concerned with—then the dire consequences of climate change will grow ever greater. For the protection of us, the citizens of Pasadena, we need to do everything possible not just to *adapt* to climate change catastrophes—a strategy that will deplete our coffers ever more every year—but also to lessen their severity through *mitigation*—which means dramatically reducing the use of fossil fuels.

Not only that, but Pasadena would be setting an example for other cities on electrification of their municipal fleets.

Finally, think of all the money that would be saved on maintenance, repairs, and gasoline over the years. Not to mention the financial costs of damage to people's health from fossil fuel pollution.

I believe I understand the seriousness of at least some of your misgivings, and I'm sure that you want what is best for the welfare of Pasadena. But the welfare of Pasadena means taking on the climate crisis, and I feel skeptical that there is no way that these electric ambulances could not be operated as safely as gas-powered vehicles and purchased expediently if we put our minds to it. Where there is a will, there's a way. Other cities have successfully carried out the purchase of electric ambulances. What's preventing us?

My request is for you to reject the purchase of gas-fueled municipal ambulances and research a responsible way to purchase electrically powered ones.

Thank you,

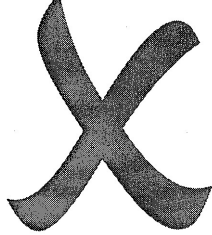
Kathryn Kroger,

Pasadena

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Gas-powered
2023 Ford E450, 4x2

Proposed Pasadena
Ambulance Vehicles



PWP EV Fleet



PWP EV Incentives

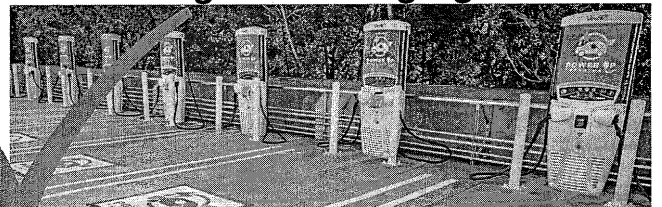
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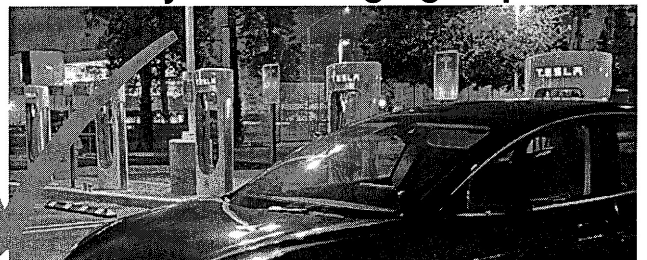
Electric Vehicle Workshop

- Residential Customers
 - > No cash incentives for EV or charger
 - > Free energy use audit upon EV purchase
 - > "Bonus" incentives for energy efficiency retrofits
 - > Experimental TOU rates with Off Peak discount
 - > Waive TOL meter fee
- Commercial Customers
 - > Cash incentive of \$500 for installing L2 chargers accessible to public, limited to retail, entertainment and hospitality locations (malls, restaurants, theaters, parking lots)

Marengo EV Charging Plaza



Arroyo EV Charging Depot



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