

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BURLINGAME
RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF THE UPDATE OF THE
BURLINGAME CLIMATE ACTION PLAN AND AMENDMENT TO THE BURLINGAME
GENERAL PLAN**

THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BURLINGAME HEREBY FINDS:

WHEREAS, the City of Burlingame prepared its first Climate Action Plan (CAP) in 2009 to address greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the city; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the CAP in 2009, the City has implemented multiple programs and efforts to significantly reduce GHG emissions from City operations and the community, and is on track to achieve the 2020 GHG reduction goal set by the original 2009 CAP; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the State Legislature passed SB 32, setting a mandated reduction target for GHG emissions of 40% below 1990 by 2030, and an intermediate target of 80% below 1990 levels by 2050, set in Executive Order S-3-05; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of California Government Code Section 65300 et seq., the City of Burlingame prepared a new general plan for the physical development of the City (2040 General Plan); and

WHEREAS, the City prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) in June 2018 that analyzed the potential environmental impacts associated with the adoption and implementation of the 2040 General Plan, including potential impacts from GHG emissions, energy use, and other effects of global climate change (State Clearinghouse No. 20170820180); and

WHEREAS, the preparation of a 2030 CAP Update was introduced in the DEIR as a mitigation measure to reduce GHG emissions levels consistent with the State's GHG goals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the General Plan and certified the General Plan EIR in January 2019; and

WHEREAS, a Draft 2030 CAP Update was prepared as a mitigation measure to reduce GHG emissions levels consistent with the State's GHG goals, and to further augment and inform the Goals, Policies and Actions of the 2040 General Plan; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the 2030 CAP Update would include amendments to the 2040 General Plan, as outlined in Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Draft 2030 CAP Update was introduced at a Joint City Council and Planning Commission meeting on April 27, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Draft CAP was presented at the Burlingame Citizens Environmental Council (CEC) meeting on May 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Burlingame, after proceedings duly and regularly held and noticed as provided by law, did on August 12, 2019 review and consider the staff report and all other written materials and testimony presented at said hearing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission recommends to the City Council that it adopt said Update to the Climate Action Plan and Amendment to the General Plan.

Chairman

I, _____, Secretary of the Planning Commission of the City of Burlingame, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission held on the 12th day of August, 2019, by the following vote:

Secretary

EXHIBIT “A”

Amendments to the 2040 General Plan to implement the 2030 Climate Action Plan Update:

- New General Plan Policy HP-2.16 – Electrification of Yard and Garden Equipment: Support the transition of yard and garden equipment from gasoline to electric fuel sources.
- Amend General Plan Policy HP-3.12 – Construction Best Management Practices: Require construction projects to implement the Bay Area Air Quality Management District’s Best Practices for Construction to reduce pollution from dust and exhaust as feasible; require construction projects to transition to electrically-powered construction equipment as it becomes available; and seek construction contractors who use alternative fuels in their equipment fleet.
- New General Plan Policy HP-2.17 – Alternately-Powered Residential Water Heaters. Support the transition from tank-based, natural gas water heaters to solar, or electrically-powered water heaters in residential development.
- Amend General Plan Policy CC-2.2 – Increase the Public Street Tree Population: Identify ways to increase the overall population of ~~street~~ trees in Burlingame to stem the natural decline of the urban forest and create a more equitable distribution of tree canopy.