Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
PLACER COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

Resolution No.: 2020-019

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held on January 28, 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes Weygandt, Holmes, Gustafson, Gore

Noes: NONE

Absent: UHLER

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Jennifer M Gore
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Megan Ward
Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2006, California State Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32), or the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, was signed into law, committing California to reducing statewide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to 2000 levels by 2010, to 1990 levels by 2020, and to a level 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2016, California State Senate Bill 32 (SB 32), was signed into law, committing California to achieving a reduction in GHG emissions to 40 percent below the 1990 levels by 2030; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2018, California Governor Jerry Brown issued Executive Order B-55-18, committing California to achieving carbon neutrality no later than 2045, and achieving and maintaining net negative emissions thereafter; and

WHEREAS, actions taken by local governments to reduce GHG emissions provide multiple benefits by providing energy and cost savings, air quality and public health improvements, local job creation, resource conservation, climate resilience, and enhanced equity; and

WHEREAS, the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), California Code of Regulations Title 14, Chapter 3, exempt certain projects from the provisions of CEQA, including Class 8 for "actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment" (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15308); and

WHEREAS, in July of 2019, a Public Review Draft of the PCSP was issued, with a public review period of July 22, 2019 to September 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, public outreach was conducted throughout the planning process for the Placer County Sustainability Plan (PCSP) including five community workshops, twenty-six Municipal Advisory Committee presentations, coordination with adjacent jurisdictions, and input from stakeholders and residents; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2019, the Placer County Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") held a noticed public hearing pursuant to Placer County Code Chapter 17, Article 17.60, Section
17.60.140 to consider the proposed PCSP, and the Planning Commission has made recommendations to the Board related thereto; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing was given in compliance with Placer County Code Chapter 17, Article 17.60, Section 17.60.140, and on____, 2020, the Board held the duly noticed public hearing pursuant to Placer County Code Chapter 17, Article 17.60, Section 17.60.140(D) to consider the recommendations of the Planning Commission and to received public input regarding the proposed PCSP; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the PCSP, considered the recommendations of the Planning Commission, received and considered the written and oral comments submitted by the public thereon, and has found the PCSP to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment); and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the proposed PCSP is consistent with the objectives, policies, general land uses, and programs specified in the Placer County General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the PCSP is in conformity with public convenience, general welfare and good land use practice, and will serve to protect and enhance the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of Placer County as a whole; and

WHEREAS, notice of all hearings required by statute and ordinance has been given and all hearings have been held as required by County ordinance and State law, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER that the PCSP dated November 2019, as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference, is hereby adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take force and become effective immediately.

Exhibits

Exhibit A: Placer County Sustainability Plan (Delivered under separate cover, available online at https://www.placer.ca.gov/5928/Draft-Placer-County-Sustainability-Plan, on file with Clerk of the Board's office)

Exhibit B: PRSP Errata

Exhibit A

Placer County Sustainability Plan

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Exhibit B

COUNTY OF PLACER
Community Development Resource Agency

Steve Pedretti
Agency Director

PLACER COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN
Errata

The following changes revise the November 2019 PCSP (Page 220):

Implementation Strategy 3: Continue to build partnerships with agencies and community organizations that will help support the implementation of the PCSP.

Action Items:

1. Continue formal memberships and participation in local and regional organizations that provide tools and support for energy efficiency, energy conservation, GHG emissions reductions, adaptation, education, and implementation of the PCSP.
2. Collaborate with other local jurisdictions to support the implementation of regional GHG reduction and climate adaptation efforts.
3. Support public-private partnerships to advance countywide climate solutions and support regional innovation in clean technologies.
4. Streamline the permitting process and/or incentivize projects/permits that align with the goals of the PCSP.
5. Encourage and support the development of innovative technologies which provide place-based, community-driven initiatives and projects that result in a demonstrable reduction in local greenhouse gas emissions, align with the goals of the PCSP, and further the sustainability goals of the Placer County General Plan.

Implementation Strategy 4: Continue to seek secure funding sources to implement the PCSP.

Action Items:

1. Identify funding sources from both government and private funding agencies for implementation of reduction strategies associated with the PCSP.
2. Research potential grants and funding sources as part of the annual reporting process.
3. Participate in cap-and-trade implementation to ensure that funds are returned to areas where GHG emissions are generated and used to fund projects and programs that benefit the communities impacted by emissions.
4. Explore the development of a grant funding program to provide financial assistance for the development of innovative technologies that result in a demonstrable reduction in local greenhouse gas emissions which align with the goals of the PCSP.

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