

ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE  
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Jay Gunkelman, Vice Chair  
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Katrina Garcia, Member  
Aleta George, Member  
Steve Olry, Member



ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE  
COMMITTEE MEETING

**A G E N D A**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUISUN CITY**  
**ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**

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**Suisun City Council Chambers - 701 Civic Center Boulevard - Suisun City, California**

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**NOTICE**

*Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b) the following Environment and Climate Committee meeting includes teleconference participation by:*

- *Committee Member Jay Gunkelman from: 1011 Prairie Drive, Suisun City, CA 94585.*

*ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE HELD IN-PERSON  
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM*

*ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION:  
WEBSITE: <https://zoom.us/join>  
MEETING ID: **844 9550 4564**  
CALL IN PHONE NUMBER: (707) 438-1720*

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CLERK@SUISUN.COM (PRIOR TO 4 PM), VIA WEBSITE, OR ZOOM CALL IN PHONE NUMBER (707) 438-1720.*

*(If attending the meeting via phone press \*9 to raise your hand and \*6 to unmute/mute for public comment.)*

**ROLL CALL**

Committee Members

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*(Oral participation from the audience is limited to 3 minutes to each speaker).*

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 1 Presentation on Ideas for Infrastructure in Suisun Marsh - (Jay Gunkelman).

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES**

- 2 Overview of Environment and Climate Committee Goals and Purpose.
- 3 Monthly Environmental Sustainability Themes.
- 4 Committee Member Comments.
- 5 Date and Time of Next Environment and Climate Committee Meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **Public Access To Agenda Documents**

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The City Council/Agency/Authority/Commission/Committee hopes to conclude its public business by 10:00 p.m. No new items will be taken up after 10:00 p.m., unless so moved by a majority of the City Council, and any items remaining will be agendaized for the next meeting. The agendas have been prepared with the hope that all items scheduled will be discussed within the time allowed.

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### **Decorum**

All participants are expected to conduct themselves with mutual respect. Conduct that disrupts meetings will be addressed in accordance with Section 54957.95 of the Government Code.

### **Ordinances**

Ordinances are city laws contained in the Suisun City Municipal Code. Enacting a new city law or changing an existing one is a two-step process. Government Code 36934 provides, except when, after reading the title, further reading is waived by regular motion adopted by majority vote all ordinances shall be read in full either at the time of introduction or passage; provided, however, that a reading of the title or ordinance shall not be required if the title is included on the published agenda and a copy of the full ordinance is made available to the public online and in print at the meeting prior to the introduction or passage.

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- Suisun City Fire Station, 621 Pintail Drive, Suisun City, CA;
- Joe Nelson Center, 611 Village Drive, Suisun City, CA;
- Harbor Master Office, 800 Kellogg Street, Suisun City, CA.

I, Bianca Vasquez, Administrative Assistant for the City of Suisun City, declare under penalty of perjury that the above agenda was posted and available for review, in compliance with the Brown Act.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-29**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING AMENDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, on February 19, 2019, the City Council approved the formation, mission, and functions of three new Suisun City Citizens Advisory Committees: Environment & Climate, Public Safety & Emergency Management, and Lighting & Landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 14, 2020 the City Council amended the structure of each Citizens Committees; extending the appointed term of membership to two-years, adding term expiration date of March 31 of each odd numbered year; and amend the membership of the Lighting & Landscaping District Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 8, 2020 the City Council approved changing the title of the Citizen Advisory Committees to Community Advisory Committees; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 29, 2022 the City Council approved dissolving and disbanding the Lighting & Landscaping Districts Community Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council’s purpose in establishing the new advisory committees was their desire to foster a culture of civic engagement as part of Suisun City’s form of governance; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Suisun City hereby approves changing the appointment from the Fire Department to the Suisun Professional Firefighters Association provided for in Exhibit A (deletions in ~~striketrough~~; additions in underlined).

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Suisun City duly held on Tuesday, the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2023, by the following vote:

<b>AYES:</b>	Councilmembers:	<u>Dawson, Pal, Washington, Mayor Hernandez</u>
<b>NOES:</b>	Councilmembers:	<u>None</u>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Councilmembers:	<u>None</u>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Councilmembers:	<u>None</u>

**WITNESS** my hand and the seal of said City this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2023.

  
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Donna Pock, CMC  
Deputy City Clerk

## Exhibit A

The Structure of each Community Advisory Committees would mirror one another in the following manner:

- A. Each Committee would be a “Standing Committee” as defined by the Brown Act as one which has “continuing subject matter jurisdiction.” Therefore, it is subject to the Brown Act’s notice and posting requirements. Standing Committees do not have to establish a “regular meeting time and place” but must meet in public and post notices of their meetings.
- B. Each Committee would hold regular meetings as needed, but meet at a minimum once a Quarter. The meeting will take place at a City Building and at a time convenient for its members and allow for maximum community participation.
- C. The Agenda shall be properly noticed and posted at City Hall and Suisun.com.
- D. Each Committee will serve as an Advisory Board to both the Council and the Commissions. Once a consensus of the Committee is reached, they will submit any findings, reports or comments to the City Council as needed, no less than bi-annually. All such reports and findings are to be solely advisory in nature. On occasion, the City Council or Commission may direct the Committee to review a particular item and may request a report with a specific date or time certain. In either case, the Committee would be subject to the same regular agenda process for appearing before the City Council or Commission.
- E. Committee membership will be for two-years, expiring March 31 or every odd numbered year, and determined based on the specific Committee and confirmed by the full City Council.
  - a. Environment & Climate: 7-member board with each member appointed by a member of the Council, with the Mayor having two appointments. The Chair and 7<sup>th</sup> member of the Committee will be a current City Council member appointed by the Mayor. The Vice Chair will be selected by vote of the members of the Committee annually.
  - b. Public Safety & Emergency Management: 9-member board with each member appointed by a member of the Council with the Mayor having three appointments, one member appointed by the Suisun Professional Firefighters Association and one member appointed by the Suisun City Police Officers Association. The Chair & Vice Chair to be selected by vote of the members of the Committee annually.

Purpose and Mission:

The purpose behind the creation of the Committees was identified in the Background Section of this report in that each Committee’s various missions will be a tool towards advancing civic engagement as a part of the Suisun City governance culture.

The Mission of each Committee will differ and will strive to undertake the following tasks:

**The Advisory Committee on Environment and Climate Impacts in Suisun City.** This Committee centers on the environment and our changing climate. Examples of the Committee’s duties include but are not limited to climate impacts on existing and planned developments, researching initiatives to enhance the Suisun City environmental quality of life, promoting ecotourism in Suisun City while focusing on opportunities for education and sustainability, being a forum for on topic presentations, and review of Environmental Impact Reports (EIR) prior to Commission or City Council review.

**The Advisory Committee for Public Safety & Emergency Management of Suisun City.** This Committee centers on reviewing critical public safety functions including but not limited to, scheduling and participation in disaster preparedness training through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Incident Command System (ISC), reverse 911 testing and evacuation modeling, involvement in “Table Top” exercises, creation, training and maintenance of Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), evaluation of Essential Services Facilities as defined by State and Federal Regulations, support for and creation of Neighborhood Watch Captains and periodic reviews of public safety response levels of service (LOS). All annual Fire and Police Annual Reports will be made to the Advisory Committee for Public Safety & Emergency Management prior to the City Council.

**Amendments**

March 21, 2023	Resolution 2023-29
March 29, 2022	Resolution 2022-45
December 8, 2020	Resolution 2020-148
January 14, 2020	Resolution 2020-01
February 19, 2019	Formation Resolution 2019-09