



# County of Santa Cruz

## COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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### MINUTES

**Regular Meeting – May 27, 2015 at 4 p.m.**

**Board of Supervisors Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Fifth Floor**

#### **I. Roll Call/Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Vice Chair Hunt.

Present: Clark; Culbertson; Francis; Johnson; Hunt; Wise-West and Christensen.  
Absent: Pepping and Kippen.

#### **II. Additions/Changes to Agenda**

#### **III. Approval of Minutes – March 25, 2015**

Approved minutes of March 25, 2015.

Motion: Johnson  
Second: Culbertson  
Ayes: Clark; Wise-West; Christensen; Johnson; Hunt; Kippen; Francis and Culbertson.  
Noes: none  
Absent: Pepping and Kippen.

#### **IV. Public Input/Oral Communications**

#### **V. Strategic Planning**

- A. Review toward approval the Draft 2015-2016 COE Work Plan (pages 2-12) and the proposed process to revise the work plan (pages 13-14) and template agenda to manage the work load (pages 15-16).

**Motion to approve 2015-2016 COE work plan, proposed process to revise the work plan, and template agenda with following changes:**

**COE Work Plan - add language that dates are adjustable as necessary; change Sustainable Santa Cruz County Plan presentation to December 2; and change Open Space District presentation to September 23.**

**Revision to the COE Work plan draft document - Retitle to 'Process for Revising the COE Work Plan' and add 'County Board of Supervisors' to proposing parties examples)**

Motion: Christensen  
Second: Wise-West  
Ayes: Christensen Clark; Wise-West; Johnson; Hunt;; Francis and Culbertson.

Noes: none  
Absent: Pepping and Kippen.

- B. Discuss toward approval recommending to the Board of Supervisors that the Planning Department staff support the Commission.

**Motion to write a letter to the Board of Supervisors asking that Planning be assigned as staff to the Commission on the Environment (replacing the General Services Director) and thanking and commending General Services Director Nancy Gordon for her excellent work and advice in support of the COE since its formation, with copy of the letter sent to the County Administrative Officer.**

Motion: Christensen  
Second: Culbertson  
Ayes: Christensen Clark; Wise-West; Johnson; Hunt; Francis and Culbertson.  
Noes: none  
Absent: Pepping and Kippen.

- C. Discuss a possible name change from “Commission on the Environment” to “Commission on Climate Change”.

Item continued to July regular meeting by consensus.

**VI. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 4:53 pm.

Motion: Culbertson  
Second: Christensen  
Ayes: Christensen Clark; Wise-West; Johnson; Hunt; Francis and Culbertson.  
Noes: none  
Absent: Pepping and Kippen.

***Commission will reconvene at 5 p.m. to Special Joint Commission meeting for general discussion of mutual topics of interest.***

***Next regular meeting is July 22, 2015.***