



# County of Santa Cruz

## COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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### MINUTES

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Time: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Chambers

701 Ocean Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

(in-person meeting only, no virtual option)

#### I. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

##### A. Call to Order

*Call to order at approximately 5:02 PM*

##### B. Roll Call

*Present: Commissioners Weiss, Scholar, Hunt, Camacho, Ramon Culbertson, Damhorst*

*Absent: Commissioners Woonink, Perez, Johnson*

C. Administration of Oaths of Office for existing members of the Commission on the Environment  
*Staff from the Clerk of the Board office administered the Oath of Office*

#### II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

*None*

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

##### A. Minutes of March 22, 2023 meeting

*Motion by Commissioner Culbertson, seconded by Commissioner Weiss to approve the March 22, 2023 meeting minutes*

*Ayes: Commissioners Weiss, Scholar, Culbertson, Damhorst*

*Abstain: Commissioners Hunt, Camacho, Ramon*

#### IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION

*One member of the public addressed the Commission regarding Santa Cruz County Code Chapter 16.92 Environmental Principles and Policies to Guide County Government and encouraged the Commission to focus on the range of environmental issues in SCCC 16.92.*

#### V. BUSINESS MATTERS

##### A. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair (15 minutes)

*Nomination by Commissioner Scholar of Commissioner Damhorst for Chair, seconded by Commissioner Culbertson*

*Ayes: Commissioners Weiss, Scholar, Hunt, Ramon, Camacho, Culbertson, Damhorst*

*Absent: Commissioners Woonink, Perez, Johnson*

*Nomination by Commissioner Scholar of Commissioner Ramon for Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Culbertson*

*Ayes: Commissioners Weiss, Scholar, Hunt, Ramon, Camacho, Culbertson, Damhorst*

*Absent: Commissioners Woonink, Perez, Johnson*

B. Presentation on CAAP implementation (OR3 staff 30 minutes)

*Staff from OR3 described the status of the CAAP project and the upcoming report to the Board of Supervisors in June on additional steps necessary to implement the CAAP and a future report to the Board in January 2024 on the on development of a measurement and accountability system.*

C. Report out from the Work Plan subcommittee (Commissioner Damhorst 15 minutes)

*Discussion of the idea of potential Commission involvement in a podcast initiative about environmental issues in the county*

D. Report back on 3CE Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on 4/5/2023 (Commissioner Damhorst 15 minutes)

*Report reviewing items from the April 5, 2023 CAC meeting and April 12, 2023 Operations Board meeting*

E. Report out on "A Santa Cruz Like Me" initiative (Commissioner Damhorst 15 minutes)

*Postponed*

F. Update on the Inter-Commission Coordination Working Group (ICCWG) (Commissioner Hunt 10 minutes)

*Postponed*

G. Discuss future agenda topics (10 minutes)

*Discussion of future agenda topics*

## **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

*Adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM*

*Masks are recommended for anyone present in the Board Chambers.*

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