



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Community Climate Action Plan Implementation Update

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to update the Board on Community Climate Action Plan implementation efforts.

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INFORMATION: In 2001, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen joined the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign and committed to develop and implement a local action plan to reduce greenhouse gas and air polluting emissions (see page 11 at http://www01.townofcarrboro.org/BoA/Minutes/2001/06_26_2001.pdf). In 2009, after completing an inventory of local greenhouse gas emissions with Orange County and Chapel Hill, the Board passed a resolution committing the Town to take steps to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases in relation to the CO2 limit of 350 parts per million (ppm; see page 12 at http://www01.townofcarrboro.org/BoA/Minutes/2009/12_08_2009.pdf). In doing so, and through work both before and after the resolution, the Town has joined a group of more than 1,000 municipalities around the world taking action. A town-specific inventory was completed in 2011 (http://www01.townofcarrboro.org/BoA/Agendas/2011/04_19_2011_D1.pdf), the annual tracking of greenhouse gas emissions of Town activities got underway in 2013, and a Strategic Energy and Climate Action Plan for Town functions and service provision was accepted in 2014 (<https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=1799514&GUID=4487305B-F63B-431C-ACC6-F3F6C0F0FAB7&Options=&Search=>>).

In the fall of 2014, Carrboro held a series of 3 forums <<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/934/Planning-Board-Fall-Forums>> related to climate action planning. Shortly thereafter, a Task Force <<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/718/Energy-and-Climate-Task-Force>> was created and began work drafting a Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP). Drafts of the plan were presented to the Board of Aldermen <<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/248/Board-of-Aldermen>> and Carrboro advisory boards <<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/228/Advisory-Boards-Commissions>> and a public hearing on the plan was held in 2016. The Board of Aldermen accepted the plan in January 2017 (<https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2942871&GUID=F9B55891-569E-49F0-A4CE-705C811601C3&Options=&Search=>> and see page 1 at <https://carrboro.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=M&ID=525877&GUID=00FE6A10-718B-4FE5-82D7-8FD5C44B5668%20>).

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide a full update to the Board on the climate action related activities the Town has conducted since the Board passed the 2009 resolution, as well as providing an overview of the

implementation plan for the CCAP.

Attachment A of this agenda item provides an overview of the Town's Implementation Plan. In *Attachment B*, the Board can find an update on the climate action related work the Town has conducted since 2009.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There is no fiscal or staff impact related to this update to the Board.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board accept the update and provide related feedback.