

# Budget and Audit Committee (Special Meeting) [Updated 05/06/2022 @ 9:05 a.m.]

Meeting Time: 05-06-22 10:30

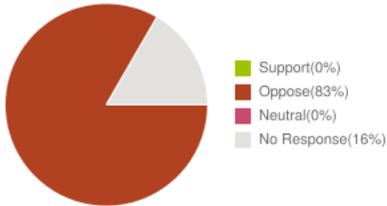
## eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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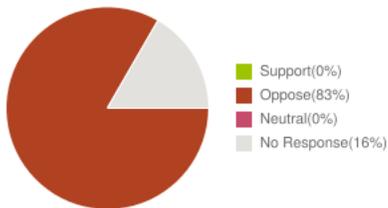
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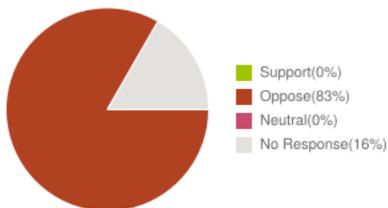
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### Agenda Item: eComments for 1. Fiscal Year (FY) 2022/23 Proposed Budget Overview File ID: 2022-00728

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### **kent iacin**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:51am 05-06-22

I am a member of District 3 or 4, Councilmember's Valenzuela or Jeff Harris' (and possibly the mayor's) district, I'm not really sure. But I am sure that your budget needs to address climate change more aggressively. For years I have heard the mayor say that climate change is a serious problem. Other council members have said the same thing. Yet little, aside from the electrification ordinance (no cost to city, really) and some smart streets, not much has been done. Why not create youth programs that are environmentally oriented-like planting trees, or California native drought tolerant plants in our parks and natural areas as supportive habitat for our birds bugs and bees? With climate change we don't have much time left. I hate to be a doom-sayer, but if you don't put your money where you mouth is now, no amount of money in the future will be enough.

### **Debra Banks**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:22am 05-06-22

I am a member of Councilmember Guerra's district and I believe that the future of Sacramento and the welfare of

its residents are in peril due to a lack of commitment from our City leaders. The roadmap laid out by the Mayors' Commission on Climate Change two years ago has scarcely been implemented and the city's climate action plan is behind schedule. The current budget proposal has little funding for climate action projects or staffing. More staff support is needed to bring about policy changes and action, by allocating more time to this work from existing staff and hiring new staff. The City also needs to allocate and set aside the \$75 - 85 million dollars identified for the "match" needed to get funding for the 7 big transportation ideas, as Councilmember Harris mentioned in the last meeting. We should be on the list of cities' who have done the most to battle climate change, not the other way around. Sacramentans are expecting your leadership on climate issues.

**Vicki Marie**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:15am 05-06-22

As you all know, we are and have been, in a climate crisis for decades, Finally the Council seemed to be concerned regarding climate emergency, but the budget does NOT reflect a reflect an urgency! Sacramento needs to invest in a multitude of ways from electric cars and charging stations to carbon sequestration. NOW is the time to invest in climate programs. Rethink the Budget! Sacramento is counting on you.  
Forrest Reed and Vicki Marie

**Rick Codina**

Location:

Submitted At: 7:08am 05-06-22

I'm in Councilmember Schenirer's district and I am upset that the current budget proposal has little serious funding for climate action projects or more supportive staffing. This despite the urgency of the climate crises and the need for City investment in low-carbon transportation and building electrification. In particular, we need more funding for the Stockton Blvd bus and bike lane project as the neighborhood and employment population increases with Aggie Square and planned multi-family developments. We also need to expand City permitting staff to support future electrification of HVAC and water heater heat pumps at equipment burn-out. Time is running out for the planet, and the City needs to step up and do its part!

**Rosie Yacoub**

Location:

Submitted At: 5:51am 05-06-22

Our community is predicted to have heat like Phoenix within this century if we don't put the brakes on climate change, and with the proposed budget, our leadership is behaving as if this is not a problem. More staff support is needed to support changes in policy and action, both by allocating more time to this work from existing staff AND hiring new staff. In the final budget, the City needs to include funding towards 75 to 85 million dollars identified that will satisfy the match needed to get funding for the transportation ideas, as Councilmember Harris mentioned in the last meeting. Also the City should allocate funds needed to support the other early policies adopted by the City including the support of the EJ committee and the funding of an existing building electrification pilot and achieving a baseline canopy closure of 25% by 2030. We can't let opportunities to secure federal and state funding get away from us due to lack of local investment.

**Jasmine Ripoyla**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:45am 05-06-22

This city — and the entire world — is facing a climate crisis. We are seeing the effects of extreme drought right now in our state. Every year I fear wildfire season; that it will get worse, last longer, and obliterate our homes and forests. This current budget does not reflect the climate emergency we are in right now. You must do more for our futures and the futures of our children.

**Anne Stausboll**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:00pm 05-05-22

The city is facing a climate crisis - more extreme heat and wildfires, drought, air quality that consistently ranks among the worst in the country. The future of the city and the welfare of its residents are at stake. Yet the city's climate action plan is a year and a half behind schedule. The city should be doing everything possible to reduce

greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate impacts. At a bare minimum, the proposed budget must be amended to provide for staff and resources to swiftly deliver and implement a climate action plan.

### **Allison Cagley**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:59pm 05-05-22

I am writing to ask you to renew funding of the arts with the same financial commitment as in the 2021-22 fiscal year.

- The one-time ARP funds addresses short-term issues but do not address long-term sustainability once these funds are gone.
- Arts education is the #1 goal of the Culture Plan and the collective work of the City's Office of Arts and Culture with Friends of Sacramento Arts and the Sac. County Office of Education is continuing to make strides in arts education equity and access but, in order to address both immediate needs as well as systemic change, a priority on ongoing funding is critical.
- By eliminating critically-needed funds for the arts and the creative economy, we are- ignoring the work of the Plan and the City's commitment to the goals and allowing any progress to cease or reverse strides made in the creative economy, artists and arts organizations and arts education in our public schools.

### **Kate Wilkins**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:43pm 05-05-22

I'm a resident of Councilmember Jennings district. This budget needs to make climate action a priority. How many years can we be on the list of cities' with the worst air quality and not use this as an opportunity to spur climate action and improve public health? Acting on the 2020 Mayors' Commission of Climate Change recommendations, which the Council enthusiastically endorsed, is not possible without staff and funding. More staff are needed to work on bringing the draft CAP forward, and implementing it once its finalized. At a minimum, please allocate more funds to staffing in 2022-2023.

### **John Wooldridge**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:58am 05-05-22

More resources should be directed toward climate mitigation. This problem must be addressed now.

### **Jill Peterson**

Location:

Submitted At: 5:58pm 05-04-22

Addressing climate change needs to be a priority for the City of Sacramento. Two years have passed since the recommendations were provided by the Mayors' Commission on Climate Change, but the City has done little since. We need to get the CAP prepared and provide sufficient staffing for this to occur and set aside funds that will enable the City to qualify for federal funds for crucial transportation projects. Sacramento is again on the list of communities with the worst air quality, we need to act now and can delay no longer. Jill Peterson, Citizens' Climate Lobby, Sacramento

### **Laurie Heller**

Location:

Submitted At: 5:02pm 05-04-22

The Mayors' Climate Commission gave you the roadmap, but you are still lost. This climate crisis is real and urgent! But your budget doesn't reflect that. We expect you to 1) Fund staff necessary to do this essential work. 2) Set aside money to match federal grants. (Without matching funds, Sacramento will miss out on State and Federal funding for transit/active transportation and other needed infrastructure projects.) 3) Electrify fleet vehicles – including zero-emission garbage and recycling trucks, school buses, transit buses etc. ('Natural Gas' is no longer 'clean energy'.) It's up to YOU to get us off the list of Top Ten cities with the worst air quality in the county.