

Agenda Item 6B

Draft recommendation to Council of name change from Climate Action Subcommittee to Climate Action Commission

SUMMARY:

“Climate Action Subcommittee” is the current designation of the City of Sebastopol’s climate action advisory body to the City Council. A change to this name has been recommended to more accurately reflect the composition and responsibilities of this group.

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, a subcommittee refers a committee composed of some members of a larger committee, board, or other body and reporting to it,

WHEREAS, a subcommittee can imply a more ad hoc group than one such as this with a standing status,

WHEREAS, the Sebastopol Climate Action Subcommittee is an advisory board to the Sebastopol City Council, and not exclusively comprised of members of the Sebastopol City Council,

WHEREAS, designation of Sebastopol’s Climate Action group could create confusion with the organization of local bodies such as the City of Santa Rosa’s Climate Action Subcommittee, comprised exclusively of City Councilmembers from that jurisdiction,

WHEREAS, analogous bodies in neighboring cities including Petaluma are referred to as “Climate Action Commission,”

The Climate Action Subcommittee recommends to the City Council a name change from “Climate Action Subcommittee” to “Climate Action Commission,” or another name recommended and approved by the group in discussion.