

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

CONSENT AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
Philip Morley, County Administrator

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DATE: April 16, 2012

SUBJECT: Designate New Members to the Climate Action Committee (CAC)

ATTACHED:

- 1) Climate Action Committee Membership Roster – 04/09/2012
- 2) Declaration of Interest from Brian Goldstein (*Resource Conservation Manager*)
- 3) Declaration of Interest from Michael Tweiten (*Local 20/20*)
- 4) Declaration of Interest from Pinky Feria Mingo (*Jefferson County Public Health – Green Business*)
- 5) Declaration of Interest from Steve Tucker (*Industry - Marine Trades*)
- 6) Declaration of Interest from Tammi Rubert (*Jefferson Transit*)
- 7) Declaration of Interest from Valerie Johnstone (*Faith-based*)

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

In December 2011, having completed their goal of adopting the Climate Action Plan, several CAC members ended their terms and Larry Crockett, Port of Port Townsend, requested he become an alternate.

Commissioner Austin, Councilmember Stinson and staff have solicited applicants to fill the vacancies with an eye towards representatives from the below listed groups. Several well qualified candidates are recommended for appointment. Student applications are forthcoming. We have yet to recruit a teacher or green builder.

ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS:

Jefferson County and the City of Port Townsend have adopted a joint resolution (County 44-07 and City 07-022) to commit to addressing energy use and climate change and global warming. The resolution establishes a joint City/County committee herein called the Climate Action Committee (CAC). The Composition Terms of Office and Procedural Rules for the Climate Action Committee are set forth in Resolution 08-001 which includes in part:

As The Chair of the BoCC and the Mayor in consultation with the County Administrator and City Manager shall review letters of interest and recommend individuals to serve on the CAC for appointment by the Council and Board of County Commissioners. The committee shall consist of no more than 15 members representing a broad range of interests which may include but is not limited to:

*Board of County Commissioners
City Council
Education/Schools
Builders
Industry (e.g. Marine Trades)*

*Port Townsend Paper Corporation
Business (e.g., Chamber, EDC)
Nontmotorized Transportation and Transit
Faith Based Organizations
Citizen at Large*

Each person shall be deemed appointed and shall commence service after confirmation by the Board of County Commissioners and City Council or on the effective date of the previous member resignation or on the expiration of the existing term for the position as applicable.

On November 14, 2011, the BoCC and City Council approved the Climate Action Plan and the Phase II Work plan for the CAC. Given the shift in focus to outreach and education, the work plan included the following:

. . . the membership of the CAC shall evolve to include representatives from the following:

*Jefferson County Builders Association – Built Green
Jefferson County Public Health – Green Business
Local 20/20 – JeffersonCAN
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The CAC may make additional membership recommendations to further the outreach mission. Partnering with other organizations and interest groups will be imperative for reaching a broader audience. For example, key partners may include government/non-profit/and grass-roots organizations specializing in education (e.g., K-12/WSU/Peninsula College/Goddard College); land conservation, business (e.g., Chamber of Commerce/Main Street); alternative energy, food security, and water resources (e.g., WRIA, PUD).

John Austin, Chair of the BoCC, and David King, Mayor, have reviewed the applications and recommend approval.

In light of the work plan's anticipated timeframe (2011-2014), Council moved to sunset the committee at the end of 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no anticipated fiscal impact associated approval of these members/alternates

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners approve Brian Goldstein, Michael Tweiten, Pinky Feria Mingo, Steve Tucker, Tammi Rubert and Valerie Johnstone as members. Staff also recommends Larry Crockett as a committee member alternate of the Climate Action Committee.

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator


Date