

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I understand there is a need to make budget cuts because of increased costs and decreased revenue. I ask that those cuts be made with consideration of long-term repercussions. It is imperative that climate change mitigation efforts continue. To pause for even for a year can have tremendous effects. We are at a critical stage where the actions taken now will determine the severity of climate conditions experienced for the rest of the century. I fully support and strongly urge the City Council to support Council File 20-0482 which directs the Emergency Management Department to include as essential emergency services, and therefore continue during the COVID – 19 emergency, all efforts to reduce greenhouse gasses and toxic emissions such as renewable energy projects, electrification of buildings and transportation, reducing plastic pollution, planting trees, protecting wildlife habitat and connectivity, reducing food and other wastes, and expanding clean mobility alternatives. Now is the time to re-evaluate business as usual practices and implement policies and programs that will facilitate achieving the equitable, sustainable and livable future we need. Ann Dorsey Northridge, CA 91325