San Rafael City Council
Sustainability Subcommittee
Updated January 2015

Members: Councilmember Kate Colin (Chair)

Purpose: The Sustainability Subcommittee is a standing committee that will be reviewing and considering progress and priorities in the implementation of the City's Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP). Major tasks and priorities include the following:

1. Oversee the programs and projects of the CCAP, including issues such as: zero waste, energy, adaptation, sea-level rise, water and resource conservation, transportation, land use, economic development, forestry, local food, habitat protection, climate change/carbon reduction, green business, and social equity.
2. Provide input to prioritization of such programs and projects.
3. Provide input to staff on project/program development e.g. Marin Sanitary Service (MSS) rate structure, plastic bag ban implementation, etc.
4. Receive and respond to community input.

Background: Several sustainability efforts are underway that would be discussion items for the Subcommittee.

- The Climate Change Action Plan is well underway, and progress continues to be made, but the implementation requires regular monitoring and adjusting of priorities.
- The 2010 greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory and 2011 greenhouse gas reduction strategy demonstrated GHG reductions 13% in San Rafael between 2005-2011.
- State targets define the goal of our CCAP: 25% reduction by 2020, and 80% reduction by 2050.
- Community meetings are held quarterly to provide updates on CCAP progress

Schedule/Meetings: Meetings will be held quarterly, with occasional additional meetings as needed, as well as the CCAP community update meetings each quarter.

Community Participation: As a standing committee, these meetings will be noticed with opportunity for public participation.

Objectives: Recommend specific actions, consistent with the goals of the CCAP, to the full Council on an ongoing basis.

Staff: Assistant City Manager and Volunteer/Sustainability Coordinator