Sebastopol Climate Action Committee

Meeting Report on Public Works Proposal

Date: 10/18/21

To: Sebastopol City Council

From: Sebastopol Climate Action Committee

Josho Somine, Co-Chair

In our most recent meeting on 10/13/21, the Sebastopol Climate Action Committee (SCAC) voted to support and recommend the proposed 'Comprehensive Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation, and Solar PV Project', as presented by Dante Del Prete, Sebastopol Public Works Superintendent, along with consultants from Syserco Energy Solutions (SES). The vote was by a decisive majority, with none opposed.

With respect to the specific proposed project scope relating to the public library, members of the SCAC suggested that power storage capacity (e.g., battery backup) would be a beneficial addition to the installation of solar photovoltaic panels, and recommended investigating whether the intended power purchase agreement (PPA) could be extended to include such a feature.

Some members of the SCAC felt they had not had enough time to fully digest the many details of the proposed project. Dante Del Prete has made a point of offering continued communications with these members, to clarify questions, resolve concerns, and incorporate further suggestions. The SCAC expresses confidence and trust in the diligence and good intentions demonstrated by Sebastopol Public Works and its consultants at SES.