



NOTICE TO CITY OF CHICO RESIDENTS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON CLIMATE ACTION COMMISSION



The City of Chico is seeking applications from volunteers to serve on the newly created Climate Action Commission. The deadline for submitting applications to serve on this commission is Friday, November 1, 2019. Applicants must be residents of the City of Chico and qualified voters (18 years or older).

The Commission is comprised of seven members, three of whom must have experience in climate action related activities, social/community services, energy, economics, transportation, or business. The Climate Action Commission will provide recommendations to the Council for adoption, a comprehensive climate action plan, monitor and recommend updates based on quantified metrics to measure and evaluate reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and community benefits. The Commission will meet on the second Thursday of the month at 6 pm. Initial appointments will be staggered with four positions ending in 2020 and three ending in 2022.

Applications are available on the City's website at www.ci.chico.ca.us and from the City Clerk's Office, 411 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Chico. Please call 896-7250 if you have any questions.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M., Friday, November 1, 2019.

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grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation and should know in November if it is chosen. It received a letter of support from SkyWest, which serviced Chico before leaving in 2014.

Ory, who brought the issue forward, said re-establishing service is critical to buoying the city's economy and creating more jobs, especially post-Camp Fire. "Access is the key for us to thrive," he added.

The city also will send advocacy letters to several organizations, including to: the Butte County Association of Governments, asking it to support state and federal funding for public bus service to Sacramento; the state rail service, asking it to consider San Joaquin train service between Sacramento and Oroville as an economic necessity post-Camp Fire; and the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency, to integrate its state-funded electric bus system to the Sacramento International Airport with Chico's system.

The vote fell 5-1, with Morgan against and Huber absent.

Morgan said he supported some initiatives but was mostly hesitant, calling commercial air service "a pipe dream" that the city is going to "spend a lot of time and energy chasing."

A couple of Chicoans also were against the proposal, but for different reasons: climate impacts. Patrick Newman and Mary Kay Benson told the council it was headed in the wrong direction. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, aircraft travel accounts for 9 percent of all transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S.

Schwab supported Ory's convictions.

"In order for us to be successful economically, we have to be tied to the rest of the state. Since we can't move over to [Interstate 5], we have to think of other ways to do that," she said. "I think we need to get serious about identifying funding for some type of flying service out of Chico."

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