

## ORDINANCE NO.

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BEND CODE CHAPTER X.XX TO ADD SECTION X.XX.XXX - ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### Recital

- A. On September 7, 2016, the City Council adopted Resolution 3044, which established climate action goals consistent with the international consensus which seeks to reduce GHG emissions, and to further the City's sustainability goals. To achieve those goals, the Council Resolution directed that the City would be guided by Climate Action Plans to be developed collaboratively by the City and Bend residents through the Climate Action Steering Committee (CASC).
- B. Resolution 3044 provided that within approximately three years of adoption, the CASC would make a recommendation to the City Council on a Community (business, institutional, citizen and city collectively) Climate Action Plan, what entity should be responsible for creating and implementing the community action plan, and what targets (goals on carbon emission, sustainability, adaption) should be set for the community.
- C. Following the work of CASC and after considering its recommendation, on December 4, 2019, the City Council adopted Resolution 3180, adopting the Bend Community Climate Action Plan: Climate Mitigation Strategies and Actions: 2020-2025, as proposed by the CASC. Resolution 3180 directed that the City Council form a new permanent advisory board with the responsibility of supporting implementation of the Community Climate Action Plan and participating in Plan updates.
- D. In addition, one of the strategies supporting council goals is to ensure that growth takes into consideration natural resources and reflects a triple bottom line approach. This recognizes the City's broader goals to support the natural environment as a way to responsibly manage growth, and make decisions that consider and mitigate impacts on the natural environment. City staff and the City Council regularly respond to issues of community interest related to the environment.
- E. The City Council recognizes it would be helpful to Council goals and City priorities, and responsive to community interests, for this advisory committee to have a broad natural resource and environmental focus to provide additional support and expertise in natural resource management to the Council on relevant policy and program development.
- D. City staff received input on the recommendations for the Environment and Climate Advisory Committee with the Council Stewardship Subcommittee on January 28, 2020.

- E. The City desires to form the Environment and Climate Advisory Committee as a permanent committee pursuant to Bend Code Chapter 1.20. The Council has found that committees are most effective when they have both support from the City and clear direction on what is expected, which is Council's intent in this amendment to the Bend Municipal Code.

Based on these findings,

**THE CITY OF BEND ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Chapter 1.20 of the Bend Code is amended to read as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

**Section 2.** All other provisions of Chapter 1.20 Bend Code remain unchanged and in full effect.

Section 3. If any provision, section, phrase, or word of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

First Reading Date: June 17, 2020

Second Reading and adopted by roll call vote on July 15, 2020.

YES:

NO:

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Sally Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Robyn Christie, City Recorder

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney's Office