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Subject: Public Comment - Please Read Out Loud - Climate Action Plan Update

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Dear Commissioners, on behalf of Climate Action Campaign we urge the planning commission to strengthen the draft San Marcos Climate Action Plan. As we outlined in our September 7 letter to the city, we strongly believe San Marcos residents deserve a gold standard CAP. We recommend the following updates to the draft CAP:

- Amend the planning horizon to 2045 to align with state targets for carbon neutrality
- Commit to a 100% clean energy target and Community Choice Energy
- Set mode share targets for increasing biking, walking and transit to reduce vehicle miles travelled (VMT)
- Commit to a 90-100% zero waste target
- Include an equity section and develop a Climate Equity Index to identify communities most vulnerable to the climate crisis in need of immediate support

We thank city staff for their hard work on this critical document, and the community for working on developing the strongest CAP for San Marcos. We look forward to further partnering with you on this effort.

Sincerely, Matthew Vasilakis

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