AGENDA COVER MEMORANDUM

Memorandum Date: September 1, 2020

Order Date: September 15th, 2020

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| TO: | Board of County Commissioners |
| DEPARTMENT: | Public Works |
| PRESENTED BY: | Dan Hurley, Public Works Director<br>Mark Nystrom, Climate Strategist |
| AGENDA ITEM TITLE: | ORDER/ IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING FIVE COMMISSIONER APPOINTEE CITIZEN MEMBERS AND THE FIVE AT-LARGE CITIZEN MEMBERS FOR SPECIFIED TERMS TO THE CLIMATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE |

I. MOTION

Move to appoint the following individuals to the Climate Advisory Committee:

| *Commissioner Appointees* | *Term Expiration* |
|---|---|
| *Amanda Astor* | *October 31st, 2021* |
| *Maya Buchanan* | *October 31st, 2021* |
| *Haley Case Scott* | *October 31st, 2021* |
| *Rob Zako* | *October 31st, 2021* |
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| *At-Large Appointees* | *Term Expiration* |
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| *Sarah Altemus Pope* | *October 31st, 2022* |
| *David Eisler* | *October 31st, 2022* |
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| *Eloise Parish Mueller* | *October 31st, 2022* |

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of County Commissioners to appoint five Commissioner appointed citizen members and five at-large citizen members for the specified terms to the newly formed Climate Advisory Committee.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

In February 2020 the Lane County Board of Commissioners passed resolution 20-02-04-04 that order included the following action:

> Establish a Climate Advisory Committee to provide recommendations and advise the Board of Commissioners on the County's ongoing climate action work.

On June 16th, 2020 the Board passed Order 20-06-16-11 which approved the bylaws and application form for establishing the Lane County Climate Advisory Committee (CAC). These bylaws were added to Lane Manual by Order 20-08-18-07.

The bylaws state that The CAC will have eleven (11) members and no fewer than seven (7) members. Each Commissioner will appoint one (1) member with five (5) at-large appointees suggested by staff and approved by the Board. The final member will be a Commissioner appointed by the Board.

This initial round of appointments will include five members appointed by individual Commissioners. These members will serve initial one-year terms and be eligible for two additional two year terms. There will also be five members suggested by county staff who will serve two year terms and be eligible for an additional two year term.

B. Policy Issues

Policy related to environmental impacts and best practices have, for the most part, been internal to Lane County as an organization and have been addressed as administrative functions. Individual divisions have pursued projects independent of overarching guidance or a specific climate policy. Previous actions have included best practices such as increasing the recovery of recycling, composting or energy recovery and replacing fossil fuel use for County fleet through the use of renewable fuels and electric vehicles.

Order and Resolution 20-02-04-04 initiated development of a Climate Action Plan and establishment of a Climate Advisory Committee. In order to be responsive to the community's needs and understanding in the development of Phase 2 of the Climate Action Plan staff have developed bylaws for the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

The CAC will be charged to assist the County in developing the CAP and implementing actions to meet Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions targets. This work will include:

- Advising the Board on all matters relating to Climate Action Plan development and implementation.
- Coordinating with other community groups throughout Lane County.
- Proactive communication to Initiative Sponsors to improve the coordination of work efforts, align resources, and connect interested parties with technical advisors.

- Community outreach and marketing of CAP Community Mitigation and Adaptation Actions to community members and neighborhood associations to encourage efforts to complete additional actions.
- A CAC Annual Report to the Board of Commissioners that includes CAP Initiatives that were submitted and completed, as well as progress made on Community Actions outlined in the CAP.
- Proactive research on funding opportunities for climate related activities.

C. Board Goals

It has long been consistent with Board goals that the organization operate in accordance with environmental best management practices while supporting economic development. The County's 2018-2021 Strategic Plan included the following Key Strategic Initiative under the *Vibrant Communities* Strategic Priority:

*Pursue programs and practices that reduce impacts to and leverage the natural environment to enhance livability and economic development.*

On December 17th, the Board approved the revised 2018-2021 Lane County Strategic Plan. With this approval, the Board added Key Strategic Initiatives under the *Vibrant Communities* priority related to Economic Development and the Climate Action Plan:

*2.a. Invest in a resilient, diverse, and sustainable regional economy.*

*2.b. Protect and enhance our natural and built environments.*

*Key Activity Area 2.b.1: Develop and implement a comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Lane County.*

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Members of the Commission serve without compensation. Therefore, the appointment of a member to the Commission does not directly result in any financial or resource considerations.

E. Health Implications

Receiving input from a variety of sources regarding the potential health impact of climate change will help Lane County staff understand future policy needs. National research and local experience have shown that the impacts of climate change tend to disproportionately impact marginalized communities, such as communities of color, the elderly, low-income communities, and people experiencing disabilities. The CAC is interested in having diverse representation that includes people of different racial and/or ethnic backgrounds, identities, abilities, and perspectives.

By speaking directly with members of the community who can share their lived experience, it is expected that the Board of Commissioners will be able to make better informed

decisions about climate adaptation and resilience policies. For example, low income communities may not have access to home air-conditioning and air filtration. As the climate continues to warm, models predict not only higher temperatures but an increase in the number and severity of forest fires which will bring more smoke to low lying communities around Lane County. Community input will help the County make decisions were clean air and cooling centers would be best placed.

F. Analysis

The ten members that are being considered represents the diversity of Lane County. Candidates are geographically diverse, bring a variety of professional and lived experience, and have a diversity of opinions regarding climate change and the approach that Lane County should adopt.

G. Alternatives/Options

1. Appoint all ten members to the specified terms to the CAC.
2. Direct staff to review Board Order to identify different appointee(s)
3. Do not accept the motion and provide staff with further direction.

## IV. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of option 1.

## V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Upon approval of the Board Order, staff will notify candidates of their appointment to the Climate Advisory Committee.

## VI. FOLLOW-UP

If the Board so directs, the department staff liaison to the Commission will open the application process to other candidates and advertise the notification of a vacancy.

## VII. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

Applications

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO:

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING FIVE COMMISSIONER APPOINTEE CITIZEN MEMBERS AND THE FIVE AT-LARGE CITIZEN MEMBERS FOR SPECIFIED TERMS TO THE CLIMATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners on August 18, 2020 approved amending Lane Manual Chapter 3 to create the Climate Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** Lane Manual 3.635 states the composition of the Climate Advisory Committee will consist of five Commissioner appointees and five at-large appointees; and

**WHEREAS**, the five Commissioner appointees were chosen and the five at-large nominees were chosen through an application process and reviewed by the Lane County Climate Action Team staff; and

**WHEREAS**, this matter having fully considered by the Lane County Board of County Commissioners

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS** that the public record reflect that the following individuals are appointed to the Lane County Climate Advisory Committee for the terms indicated:

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**ADOPTED** this ___ day of_____, 2020.

Heather Buch, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 11 SEPT. 2020

LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

Lane County
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# APPLICATION

| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
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| Amanda Astor | 08/03/2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

I am extremely interested in serving on the CAC because I bought my first home a little over a year ago (located in Santa Clara) and feel it is my duty to bring my expertise to conversations regarding my communities economic and environmental wellbeing.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

As a young pansexual forester who represents the timber industry and who has a graduate certificate in forest carbon science, policy, and management, I am very interested in helping to round out the discussion around Lane Counties Climate Action Plan. I want to ensure that science is accurately portrayed, and the economic considerations of the Climate Action Plan are thoroughly vetted.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

I believe it is critical to be flexible and creative when developing new policy. I also am of the mind that incentives are far better than rigid restrictions although in most cases, both are needed to enact real change. Strategically thinking about funding mechanisms such as grants, donors, and collaboration will be key for success as well as educational campaigns to develop community buy in to normalize changes.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

No

5. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.) ■ No ☐ Yes Specify: _____

6. How did you learn about this vacancy? Email ☐ Newspaper ■ Word of mouth ☐ Other:

7. In which County Commissioner District do you reside? please check one:
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# APPLICATION

| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: Maya Buchanan, Eugene | DATE: 8/14/2020 |
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| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

   It would be a pleasure to serve on the CAC as a climate change expert. I am deeply committed to helping communities thrive by transitioning to cleaner energy and transportation systems, increasing resilience to climate change related hazards, and becoming more equitable places to live. I have a PhD in climate change impacts from Princeton University and 15 years of professional experience designing and implementing climate change projects at the community, city, state, and national level. I currently serve as Oregon Department of Energy's Senior Climate Change Policy Analyst, where I lead and support initiatives to help reduce economy-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, assess risk posed by climate change, and increase community-wide resilience. As a resident of Lane County, I would be delighted to help my county thrive.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

   I would like to offer my technical and policy experience to help improve understanding of the science of climate change, climate change hazards, risk management, and planning to identify ways to reduce GHG emissions and improve community resilience in Lane County. I would also like to bring my experience surveying traditionally underrepresented communities and dedication to help increase equity, diversity, and inclusion in the design and execution of climate change projects to help inform Lane County's climate action plan. Finally, I can also share my knowledge of Oregon's climate-related policies, resources, and efforts to deepen engagement with disproportionately impacted groups and incorporate an equity lens into climate change mitigation and resilience planning.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

   Taking actions to mitigate GHG emissions is typically most efficient because it helps reduce the source of the problem and provides guidance and precedent for other jurisdictions to follow. Screening assessments and prioritization exercises can serve as efficient and systematic ways to identify the opportunities, barriers, and trade-offs of investing in different mitigation vs. adaptation/resilience actions. Existing resources can be used to support this effort by identifying (1) actions that can cost-effectively reduce GHG emissions, and (2) the relative risks posed by various climate hazards. Often, actions can be identified that serve the multiple purposes of reducing emissions, improving resilience, supporting local economies, and increasing community engagement and equitable access to resources or benefits.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

   I serve on the American Geophysical Union's Science and Society leadership committee, which supports efforts to help make science more accessible to the public and encourage scientists to apply their science to societal issues. I also serve as the primary liaison/staff to the Oregon Global Warming Commission, a 25-member public-private body that recommends measures to reduce GHG emissions, while strengthening Oregon's economy and cultural resources. Finally, I serve on two interagency working groups for Oregon state government: the state's Interagency Workgroup on Climate Impacts on Impacted Communities (from the Governor's Executive Order 20-04 to reduce GHG emissions), and the state's Interagency Climate Adaptation Framework.

5. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.) ■ No ☐ Yes Specify: _____

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| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
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| Haley Case-Scott, Springfield | 8/14/2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:**<br>■ New Applicant<br>☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

I am interested in serving on the climate advisory committee because I want to address the disproportionate climate change impacts on underrepresented and front line communities in Lane County.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

I am currently the climate justice grassroots organizer for two social and environmental justice organizations in Lane County, Beyond Toxics and the NAACP Eugene/Springfield Unit. I have a wealth of experience working with tribes in supporting their climate adaptation plans. I believe I can bring in a different understanding of how climate change impacts underrepresented community members, because of my lived experience as a Native American Woman.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

In order to balance mitigation actions w/ adaptation & resilience actions, County staff should partner with community organizations in identifying potential adaptation/mitigation actions. They can also provide support to those organizations that are already taking action to mitigate ghg emissions and create resilient and adaptive communities.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

No, I do not serve on any County advisory boards or committees.

5. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.) ■ No ☐ Yes Specify: _____

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| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
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| Rob Zako | July 14, 2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

With education in math and physics, I understand in general the science of climate change and see what is happening to our planet. As a local community leader, I feel a responsibility to do my part and help others do so.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

My professional background is in transportation, land use and climate change. I was the transportation advocate for 1000 Friends of Oregon, and then a planner for DLCD working on transportation and climate change. I also am a research associate at the UO, where I have done research on how Oregon and other states are addressing climate change. Currently, I am the executive director of Better Eugene-Springfield Transportation (BEST), leading local efforts.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

As the recent OCCRI report details, climate change is already happening in Oregon. It is essential that Lane County take steps to prepare for (adaptation) the negative consequences of this change —and it is clearly Lane County's responsibility to do so. That said, everyone on the planet is collectively responsible for slowing climate change (mitigation), and Lane County needs to do its part, resources permitting.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

I am the designated environmental land use stakeholder on the Lane Area Commission on Transportation (LaneACT) and an (alternate) member of Lane Transit District's Strategic Planning Committee.

5. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.) ☐ No ■ Yes Specify: BEST is the fiscal sponsor for Better Housing Together, which has

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| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
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| Stefan Aumack, Fall Creek, OR | 8/30/2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

The challenges of climate change require long-term and adaptive solutions. An educated population able to support science-based decisions is critical to confronting the complexities of decisions we will need to make. As an educator, I have a strong interest in challenging our youth to confront these challenges and become part of a civic response to them. I am interested in learning with and helping the committee to think critically about actions Lane County can consider.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

While I am not a climate scientist, I believe I have a lived in various places and worked beside a wide range of people from different socio-economic and political backgrounds. I have lived and taught in sub-Saharan Africa and Ecuador, urban Portland, and rural Lane County. I have been a dishwasher, construction worker, teacher, and administrator. In all of these I have had the opportunity to listen to and work with others toward common goals. I believe a collaborative process is often the most effective, and I enjoy this type of work.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

I believe that decisions between balancing mitigation and adaptation/resilience resources must be based on a strategic approach that begins with looking at the carbon budget for the county. Understanding our emissions profile first, and then the regulatory framework that underlies the emissions would be the first step toward identifying the highest priority emission reductions. A return on investments must be calculated for both mitigation and adaptation responses to climate change. We need to identify, strategically, where we can get the most out of limited resources.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

No.

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| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: Sarah Altemus-Pope | DATE: 8/25/20 |
|---|---|
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

I live and work in Oakridge, OR. Rural communities are on the front lines facing the impacts of climate change and I think it is important that a rural perspective be included in climate change planning. I am deeply involved in community building efforts in Oakridge and I can help bring an east Lane County perspective to these discussions.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

I grew up in Oakridge and graduated with a JD/MS Conflict Resolution from UO. Professionally, I have worked in disaster response and mitigation in one form or another for all of my career. I worked for ten years as a smokejumper fighting fire throughout the west, I spent two years working for USAID Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance and I now run the Southern Willamette Forest Collaborative. I am also a part time Access the Law attorney running the Oakridge branch.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

It is important that communities and citizens are part of the process to develop climate change mitigations and actions to develop resilience. Rural communities have many challenges and limited funding and capacity to prepare for and deal with climate change impacts. I think it is important to find ways to mitigate climate change that are feasible for underserved peoples and communities.

4. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?

no

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| David Eisler Walton | 8/12/2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

I have been involved in forest/climate issues over the last decade and I feel that forests in Lane County will provide some of the most important contributions to slowing climate change impacts. Although Lane County is not a significant forestland owner the County has the opportunity to provide guidance and incentives to the considerably large number of small private forestland owners.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

As a rural forestland owner for more than 40 years I have worked with the Siuslaw Watershed Council and the Siuslaw National Forest in collaborative efforts to solve watershed health and forest restoration managent issues. I manage 160 acres of forestland and been involved in all phases of operationst. Many of the contributions that forests can make to climate change impact mitigation require an understanding of forestry and the potential positive economic opportunities.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

Many of the federal and state agencies as well as universities and NGOs have both the expertise and the data to answer some of the questions that the committee will need to address. Having data on forest types and volumes in Lane County will be necessary as Federal and State funds inevitably become available for carbon markets, fire threat reduction management, creation of healthy, resilient forests capable of surviving and providing natural resource "goods and services"

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no

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# APPLICATION

| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
|---|---|
| Dr. M Jackson, Eugene | August 13, 2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

I am a geographer, glaciologist, and science communicator who will bring climate science expertise to the CAC. I'm a National Geographic Society Explorer, TED Fellow, three-time U.S. Fulbright Scholar, and hold a doctorate and post doc from the University of Oregon. I'm a climate change public speaker and writer including the award-winning science books The Secret Lives of Glaciers and While Glaciers Slept. I hope to bring this knowledge to my local community.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

As an academic and scientist, I represent the University sector and women in science, as a writer and artist I represent the creative communities, as a young woman with a young family I represent families in Lane County, as an avid hiker, biker, and skier I represent many other outdoor enthusiasts. Personally, having grown up rural and well below the poverty line, I can represent and bring empathy to those areas of Lane County that feel overlooked and left behind. I have dedicated a large portion of my career to listening and amplifying diverse voices

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

Research suggests communication and targeted community outreach highlighting specific mitigation and adaptation actions can lead to comparable organic acts/momentum. Lane County needs to target locally actionable mitigation measures as pulled from the GHG inventory, publicize the project start to finish, and encourage communities to begin their own scaled measures. For example, the county can highlight landfill methane reduction efforts and educate communities how to further reduce/recycle their household waste before it enters the landfill system.

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# APPLICATION

| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: Tao Orion, Cottage Grove | DATE: 7/11/20 |
|---|---|
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ☑ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).
I am passionate about helping to craft meaningful and actionable policies that address climate change in my community.

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?
I feel like my experience living in rural Lane County gives me a good perspective on the opportunities and challenges of engaging all County residents in responding to climate change. As a regenerative land planner and farmer, I also understand the natural systems component of climate change very well, and would bring my expertise to the committee.

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?
At this point, focusing on adaptive, resilience-building strategies should be a core focus of climate policy in the region, as its likely to intensify significantly in the near future. Identifying short and long-term mitigation strategies into these adaptive efforts would be a sound investment of County resources.

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I am on the Board of Directors for the Cerro Gordo Land Conservancy and Aprovecho.

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| APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: | DATE: |
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| Eloise Parish Mueller, Eugene | 08/14/2020 |
| **Climate Advisory Committee** | **PLEASE CHECK ONE:** ■ New Applicant ☐ Application for Reappointment |

Please answer these questions in 200 words or less.

1. Please describe your interest in serving on the Climate Advisory Committee (CAC).

As a local climate justice activist and a lifelong Lane County resident, I am passionate about seeing our county take action on climate change, and transition to a decarbonized society that is just and fulfilling for all, and resilient in the face of present and future climate risks. I am excited about the prospect of collaborating with community members from different backgrounds and parts of the county to evaluate and help create solutions that are effective and just. I want to see our community address the unjust impacts of the climate crisis and environmental exploitation

2. How do you feel you personally can represent the Lane County community on the CAC? What life or professional experience will you bring to the Committee that will help us ensure that we have a diversity of voices represented?

I am an undergraduate student, and will be turning 20 this fall. I'm also an activist and organizer with Sunrise Eugene and Lane County Mutual Aid Network, and have been involved in organizing on and off campus and in coalition with many local environmental and social justice organizations. I think I can bring a youth and student perspective, as well as valuable insight from my connections with the local activist community. I'm also studying environmental science and international studies at the UO, so my studies are aligned with the focus of this committee, both

3. Keeping Lane County's limited staff and financial capacity, how should the County balance GHG mitigation actions with adaptation/resilience actions?

Recognizing that financial limitations can be a major constraint for local governments, I feel that investments in mitigation and adaptation/ resilience do not have to be a zero-sum trade-off. Decentralized, renewable power grids, for instance, are more resilient in the face of disasters, and would help to address the issue of reduced summer water flows posing a risk to hydro-electric power supply. Local food systems that support biodiversity and ecosystem health are more resilient and help mitigate climate change, through carbon sequestration and a much lower carbon

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