



T&E AGENDA: 11/05/2018

ITEM: b (1)

# Memorandum

**TO:** TRANSPORTATION AND  
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

**FROM:** Kerrie Romanow

**SUBJECT:** SEE BELOW

**DATE:** October 17, 2018

Approved

Date

10-23-18

**SUBJECT: UPDATE TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE WORKPLAN**

## RECOMMENDATION

Approve an amendment to the FY 18-19 Work plan for the Transportation and Environment (T&E) Committee as indicated below:

- Defer "Building Benchmarking & Transparency Ordinances" from the November 5, 2018 agenda.
- Add "Building Benchmarking & Transparency Ordinances" to the December 3, 2018 agenda.

## BACKGROUND

On Feb. 27, 2018, City Council unanimously approved Climate Smart San José (Climate Smart) and directed staff to prioritize the creation of "innovative policies and programs to spur commercial building energy efficiency initiatives." In support of those efforts, staff is proposing an *Energy and Water Building Performance Ordinance* as a first Climate Smart policy step, which will increase the energy and water efficiency of existing buildings thereby reducing city-wide greenhouse gas emissions.

Significant progress has been made in developing the proposed ordinance language, following a robust stakeholder engagement process. Staff is requesting that this item be deferred, in order to continue coordination work with the City Manager's Budget Office on the program budget and funding mechanism that will best ensure successful ordinance implementation.

Environmental Services requests to defer the item within the current T&E work plan to the December 3, 2018 Committee meeting.

/s/

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