

Suggestions & Inputs Related to Police Oversight

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Dear Commissioners:

Thank you all for your service and time on this commission. I know that as commissioners you are working to maintain objectivity; the ability to listen and consider varied opinions; and be respectful to all.

Earlier this week, you discussed items related to policing and police oversight.

I wanted to share some information and suggest other speakers for your consideration.

In January 2021, the Almaden Valley Community Association, conducted a Zoom and Facebook Live meeting with 4 panelists on "Racial Equity in San Jose Policing." I found the information and presentation made by Jay Boyarsky, who at the time was the Chief Assistance District Attorney for the County of Santa Clara, very data driven and informative. His presentation can be found here: [Log In or Sign Up to View](#) on the Almaden Valley Community Association Facebook page (not the group). He is introduced at the 10:59 minute mark. You might want him to update this presentation and talk to the commission.



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Also, at the meeting on Monday the speakers on police oversight seemed to have similar viewpoints. I would suggest that additional diverse opinioned speakers be included so that as many viewpoints can be considered to assure the best solutions are recommended. This might include asking police chiefs and police union representatives to speak. Additionally, if possible, I would suggest getting data to determine what options, program or oversight methods produce the best outcomes.

I am always mindful that since May 2020, the protests (which at times became violent and destructive) had a profound impact on all of our communities as well as police departments. It may be that we should examine if police oversight for "routine" versus "extreme" conditions may be different.

Thank you all for your service and time on this commission.

Respectfully,

Sandra A. Delvin, PE

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Public Inquiry: Ranked Choice & Blockchain Voting

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Hello,

Per a recent discussion with my Councilmember's office (Carrasco), they recommended I forward my inquiry to the Charter Commission. I would like to request that the Commision discuss or study Ranked Choice and/or Approval Voting, and using Blockchain technology to enable secure and digital voting. If this commission is not the appropriate avenue, please describe what is.

Thank you,
Gabriel Borden

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Lack of Outreach on Charter Review Commission Meetings AND Demand for EQUITY: SEVEN (7) MEETINGS for the People's Agenda--3rd Leg of the Charter Review Commission

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Greetings Toni Taber and City Clerk's Office,

This letter is to address that the City Clerk's office is not reaching out to us as outlined below in the Charter Review Commission's guidelines, in particular the Thursday, September 9th meeting for public information and input I have heard nothing about!

I am not hearing either from the charter review commission meetings I attend that there is a Public hearing on September 9th. This commission meeting RE: Auditing of our City operations which has not been done at all in San Jose compared to the County of Santa Clara that audits their departments thoroughly and regularly is very important. Yet no communication outreach about this meeting and historically other meetings as well from our City Clerk's office that is paid and mandated to do this outreach.

In addition, The public agenda items--The People's agenda --The Third leg of the Charter Review Commission have been given the short end of the stick.

The PEOPLE'S agenda Charter Review Commission third leg has the CLIMATE CRISIS, REIMAGINING POLICE, ACCOUNTABILITY, REPRESENTATION AND INCLUSION in its work plan to be incorporated into our San Jose Charter.

This agenda has received very little support from the city and the \$400,000 dollar hired consultant.

I find this abhorrent, evil, immoral, selfish and greedy especially with our climate crisis being at our doorsteps with CATASTROPHIC, irreversible climate change HAPPENING right NOW!!! THIS IS CAUSED FROM our global heating from our emissions that emit greenhouse gases from our burning of oil, gas and coal: OUR FOSSIL FUELS and the use of cement.

THIS Catastrophic irreversible climate change is happening NOW...NOT 2030, NOT 2050. and needs to be put in our City's Charter--our Bible, our Constitution so it is not at the whims of our politicians that are beholden to the corporations and businesses that have primarily caused our Climate crisis and secondarily by the corporate and political propaganda that encourages us to engage in behaviours that consume fossil fuels.

The political agendas of the other two legs of our charter review commission have received SEVEN (7) meetings each since the start of the Charter Review commission.

The third leg-- The People's agenda that includes our climate crisis has received practically no time or support and many have even tried to undermine their agenda-- from the hired consultant, the city clerk and the charter review leadership commissioners.

The People's agenda NEEDS and we the People demand Equal and Equitable time:

To be equitable we demand SEVEN (7) entire meetings to address the critical People's issues that will be massively affecting the people of San Jose and needs to be integrated into our city charter.

Below please find info about required city clerk Outreach which I have not seen on Nextdoor or in my direct email or from our politicians in addition our emails should be obtained from going to meetings and contacting the clerk's office and information on how to be on the Charter Review Commission's mailing list is not addressed at meetings either.

City Clerk Role and Outreach

The City Clerk is responsible for sending out notices to the public about the Commission's public hearings. The City Clerk follows a multi-channel protocol when sharing information related to the Commission with the goal of reaching as many community members as possible.

The City Clerk uses the following social media channels to share information:

- City Clerk's [Facebook](#) posts
- City Clerk's [Twitter](#) posts
- [City Facebook](#) posts and paid ads (starting July 23, 2021)
- [City Twitter](#) posts (starting July 23, 2021)
- [City Next Door](#) (starting July 23, 2021)

The City Clerk coordinates with City Council offices to ensure that information is distributed to communities through the Councilmembers.

The City Clerk has devoted [a page of the City's website](#) to information on the San José Charter Review Commission.

All recordings of public hearings and Charter Review Commission meetings can be found on the [City of San José's YouTube Channel](#) compiled into a playlist called "[Charter Review Commission](#)."

The City Clerk will also send out notices to a list of neighborhood organizations.

Sincerely,

Tessa Woodmansee,

President, Garden Alameda Village Association

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Clean Air and Quiet Neighborhoods--A Natural Right.

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Re: CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL CRISIS EDUCATION for charter review commissioners, councilmembers and the public

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Please add this article to the educational reading materials re: Climate Crisis for the Charter review Commission.

BY: Climate scientist Peter Kalmus for *The Guardian*

Climate crimes

“Forget plans to lower emissions by 2050 – this is deadly procrastination”

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2021/sep/10/net-zero-2050-deadly-procrastination-fossil-fuels>

On Sun, Sep 12, 2021 at 6:33 PM tessa woodmansee <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Here are MORE articles and videos to educate the SJ council, the public and the charter review commissioners on OUR CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL CRISIS.

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- 1). Over 200 health journals call on world leaders to address 'catastrophic harm to health' from climate change: Wealthy nations must do much more, much faster -- ScienceDaily

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2021/09/210906091017.htm>

2). **EDITORIAL**
FROM: THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE

Call for Emergency Action to Limit Global Temperature Increases, Restore Biodiversity, and Protect Health

List of authors.

Lukoye Atwoli, Abdullah H. Baqui, Thomas Benfield, Raffaella Bosurgi, et al.

SEPTEMBER, 5, 2021

<https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMe2113200>

3). U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres issued a dire warning that the world is moving in the wrong direction and faces “a pivotal moment” where continuing business as usual could lead to a breakdown of global order and a future of perpetual crisis. Changing course could signal a breakthrough to a greener and safer future, he said.

The U.N. chief said the world’s nations and people must reverse today’s dangerous trends and choose “the breakthrough scenario.”

The world is under “enormous stress” on almost every front, he said, and the COVID-19 pandemic was a wake-up call demonstrating the failure of nations to come together and take joint decisions to help all people in the face of a global life-threatening emergency.

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4). Even small increases in warming are consequential, and the impacts of climate change are already visible today in phenomena like melting ice caps, rising sea levels, and more destructive extreme weather. But the flip side is that all efforts to mitigate climate change are meaningful, even if the world overshoots its targets. All the warming that’s avoided will save lives and property and will enhance human welfare. There may be a point of no return, but there is no point at which our actions don’t matter.

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5). What's the worst that could happen?

These five climate scenarios show us what the future of the planet could look like.

How bad could climate change get?

Humans have already warmed the planet by at least 1 degree Celsius by burning fossil fuels that spew heat-trapping gases into the sky. The oceans are rising, and deadly disasters like wildfires, heat waves, and flooding are becoming more destructive. Almost every part of the world is experiencing **the effects of climate change**.

That much is “unequivocal,” according to the **latest report** from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), an international team of scientists convened by the United Nations.

What's far less certain is just how bleak the future of our planet will be.

This critical question reaches beyond physical sciences into economics, sociology, and even psychology. Humans still have the power to slow the climate crisis — though with each day that goes by without sweeping societal changes to slash emissions, the outlook grows more grim.

The first installment of the **IPCC's sixth assessment report**, which focuses on the physical science behind climate change, considers five scenarios that game out how humanity will respond, or not, to the specter of warming. They reveal that some of the more extreme projections of the past are less likely to come to fruition. But every scenario in the report also overshoots one of the targets of the 2015 Paris climate agreement. A best-case scenario now requires drastically more climate action than the world has achieved to date, and the window for action is closing.

However, “Scenarios are not predictions,” the report says. “Instead, they provide a ‘what-if’ investigation of the implications of various developments and actions.”

Here is the best scenario in the latest report:

1) SSP1-1.9 — This scenario has been described as “**taking the green road**.” It's the most ambitious and hardest-to-achieve storyline. It envisions a gradual but concerted shift toward clean energy, with few political barriers in adapting to and mitigating climate change. This entails a rapid drawdown of fossil fuels, widespread deployment of clean energy, increasing energy efficiency, and lower

resource demands. By the middle of the century, humanity will zero out its contributions to climate change.

This scenario also assumes inclusive global development that lifts all countries. It imagines improvements in education and health that would help stabilize population growth, with the total declining slightly to 7 billion people. To create this future, humans would likely need to achieve a global philosophical shift away from the pursuit of economic growth and toward improvements in human well-being.

While every scenario in the new IPCC report will likely overshoot the 1.5°C target, under SSP1-1.9, global average temperatures would eventually decline below this level by 2100. It's also worth noting that 1.5°C of warming is no picnic; that's still warmer than the world is today, leading to effects like increasing the frequency and intensity of heat waves and extreme rainfall

In short, these scenarios show how scientists are grappling with the capriciousness of human behavior. What happens if more countries are taken over by nationalists? Or if clean technology makes a radical leap forward? Or if countries and corporations actually start to buckle down and throttle emissions? Our planet has many possible futures that depend on human decisions. These visions of tomorrow emphasize that we have profoundly and irreversibly changed the world, but also that much of the potential warming is still in our hands.

6). Overlapping disasters expose harsh climate reality: the U.S. is not ready

[https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2021/09/03/hurricane-ida-flood:](https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2021/09/03/hurricane-ida-flood/)

 Firefighters work to save a cabin from the raging Caldor Fire in Strawberry, Calif. on Monday, Aug. 30, 2021.

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Overlapping disasters expose harsh climate reality: the U.S. is not ready

CHRISTOPHER FLAVELLE, ANNE BARNARD, BRAD PLUMER AND
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The New York Times

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NEW YORK — In Louisiana and Mississippi, nearly 1 million people are without electricity and drinking water after a hurricane obliterated power lines. In California, wildfire menaces Lake Tahoe, forcing tens of thousands to flee. In Tennessee, flash floods killed at least 20; hundreds more perished in a heat wave in the Northwest. And in New York City, 7 inches of rain fell in just hours Wednesday, drowning people in their basements.

The disasters cascading across the country this summer have exposed a harsh reality: The United States is not ready for the extreme weather that is now becoming frequent as a result of our warming planet.

“These events tell us we’re not prepared,” said Alice Hill, who oversaw planning for climate risks on the National Security Council during the Obama administration. “We have built our cities, our communities, to a climate that no longer exists.”

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In remarks Thursday, President Joe Biden acknowledged the challenge ahead.

“And to the country, the past few days of Hurricane Ida and the wildfires in the West and the unprecedented flash floods in New York and New Jersey is yet another reminder that these extreme storms — and the climate crisis — are here,” said Biden, who noted that a \$1 trillion infrastructure bill pending in Congress includes some money to gird communities against disasters. “We need to do — be better prepared. We need to act.”

The country faces two separate but interlaced problems, according to climate and resilience experts.

First, governments have not spent enough time and money to brace for these climate shocks, which have long been predicted: everything from maintaining and fortifying electrical lines and stormwater systems to

clearing forests of undergrowth in order to reduce the ferocity of wildfires.

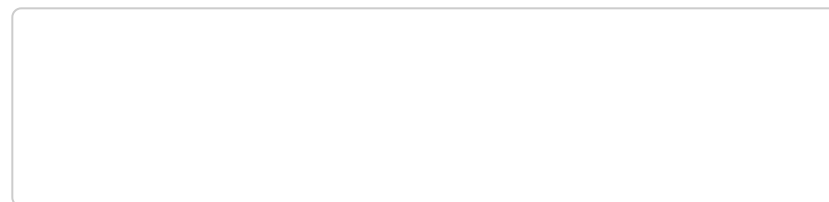
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“We’re feeling all the effects of that deferred maintenance,” said Kristina Dahl, a senior climate scientist at the Union of Concerned Scientists.

But there’s a second, more sobering lesson: There are limits to how much the country, and the world, can adapt. And if nations don’t do more to cut greenhouse gas emissions that are driving climate change, they may soon run up against the outer edges of resilience.

“If we already can’t cope with where we are, then there’s little hope that it’s going to improve in a warming climate,” Dahl said.

The country’s vulnerability in the face of extreme weather was punctuated by the downpour that flooded the country’s largest city. New York City has invested billions of dollars in storm protection since Hurricane Sandy in 2012 — investments that seemed to do little to blunt the impact of the deluge Wednesday night.



Rain poured down in furious torrents, turning the subway system into a kind of flume ride. Central Park recorded

7.19 inches of rain, nearly double the previous record set in 1927 for the same date, according to the National Weather Service, which issued the city's first-ever flash flood emergency alert.

Before the storm, city and state officials activated preparation plans. They cleared drains, they erected flood barriers in the subway and other sensitive areas, and they warned the public.

Then the rainfall dumped more water, and at a faster rate, than what the city had factored into its new stormwater maps as an "extreme" flood event.

'No one is listening to us'

The pattern of damage reflects the relationship between climate exposure and racial inequity: The storm's impacts were worse in low-income communities of color, which, because of historic inequalities, are more prone to flooding, receive less maintenance from city services and frequently experience lax housing code enforcement.

Most of those killed in New York City drowned when floodwaters rushed into their basement apartments. Many such apartments do not meet safety requirements but have proliferated as affordable housing for the working poor and for immigrants living in the city illegally, many of whom may fear complaining to authorities about safety violations.

In one case, Tara Ramskriet, 43, and her son Nick, 22, drowned when water filled their basement apartment in the Hollis section of Queens so quickly that family members could not pull them out against the flow, and a wall collapsed, trapping them inside.

Neighbors were outraged, saying it took fatalities to bring city inspectors to the scene.

"This happens all the time," said Jennifer Mooklal, 33, who lives across the street from the Ramskriets. "Even if it's just rain, our basement gets flooded. We've been

dealing with this problem for years and have been asking the city — but no one is listening to us.”

Damage from extreme weather, and the threats to human life it brings, will only increase as the planet warms. For every 1.8 degrees Fahrenheit of global warming, the atmosphere holds about 7% more moisture, scientists have found. That means much heavier rainfall when storms do occur.

Across the continental United States, the heaviest downpours have become more frequent and severe, according to the federal government’s National Climate Assessment. The Northeast has seen 50% more rainfall during the heaviest storms compared with the first half of the 20th century.

Plodding along

Other countries have heeded the warnings of climate scientists — and acted.

In the Netherlands, where much of the country lies below sea level, the government strengthened flood design standards and in 2007 created a program called Room for the River, which in essence authorized the wholesale redesign and rebuilding of dozens of vulnerable watersheds around cities like Amsterdam and Rotterdam. The goal was to prepare for the sort of one-in-10,000-year floods that Dutch scientists were warning might become more frequent.

In that country, government water boards have the ultimate authority over land use. If they determine an area is needed for flood protection, its residents must move.

Specific taxes are dedicated to water management. There is no National Flood Insurance Program for residents in flood zones in the Netherlands because, the Dutch argue, the government’s job is to protect people from floods, not help homeowners rebuild in areas vulnerable to damage.

Among other things, Room for the River created dozens of new parks, enhancing underserved neighborhoods, resettling populations living in flood zones into new homes out of harm's way, and girding the nation's economy in the process.

But here in the U.S., efforts to protect American cities from damage by severe storms and rising seas have been plodding.

There are many reasons, including government reluctance to impose on private property, a legacy of racial and economic injustice, and a system of governance and regulation that simply moves far slower than the hastening pace of climate change.

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It's a Dying Planet

Our Civilisation is Boiling Alive in the Fumes
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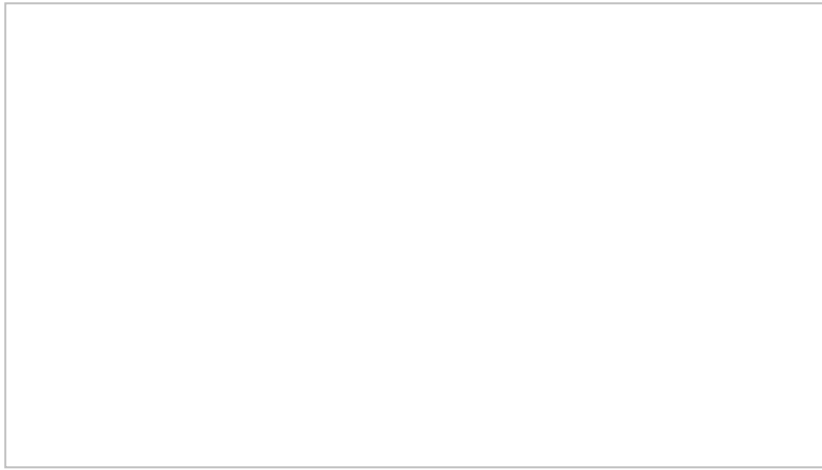


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It was my lovely doctor wife who leaned over to me and said: “Did you know scores of people in Canada are dead because of the heat? Near Vancouver?” Suffering a severe case of brain fog thanks to being in a pandemic for a year and counting now, I was tuned out. “Hmm,” I replied, absently. And then I woke up, suddenly hearing the words. “Wait, *what?*”

Canada’s not exactly a place you associate with “people dead from the heat.” And yet it’s a grim tale of what’s to come.

This isn’t a heatwave. It’s a dying planet.

Much of the Pacific Northwest is trapped under what climate scientists are calling a “heat dome.” It stretches up and down the coast. Temperatures have rocketed off the charts. It was 115 degrees in Portland, Oregon. That’s hotter than *Cairo*, Egypt, or *Karachi*, Pakistan.

This is a region of the world that should be temperate and cool — not boiling hot. But it’s

trapped under a “heat dome,” which is a huge region of high pressure, that creates an effect literally akin to a pressure cooker. Yesterday’s “heat waves” — a few days of higher than normal temperatures are giving way to “heat domes” — something much more catastrophic, as the planet warms beyond all recognition, in ways profound hostile to *us*.

Why do I say “dangerous”? Well, what is life under extreme heat like?

The day before, I’d read an article about the hottest place on earth, which is Jacobabad, in Pakistan. It claims that title because average temperatures go beyond 52°C. Remember, the heat dome in the Pacific Northwest has already pushed temperatures there almost within striking distance of that — the 115 Fahrenheit is *46 degrees Celsius*. Portland and Seattle reached temperatures that are approaching *the hottest city on earth*.

That’s “climate change,” or far more accurately put, global warming. We are beginning to *be boiled alive*.

If you think that’s an exaggeration, consider life in Jacobabad. People don’t leave the house much when it’s that hot. They stay inside, trying to stay cool however they can. Business, commerce, trade, social events — all these things come to a halt. What does that sound like to you? It sounds a lot like *lockdown*. If you want to understand what the world will look like a few years or

decades hence, the last year is — grimly — a very good guide. Extreme heat is a lot like pandemic lockdown, because these are both catastrophes that are on the verge of being unsurvivable.

Jacobabad broils for months. Portland and Vancouver and Seattle's heat dome will go away. But that's a distinction without much of a difference. Because chances are the heat dome will be back next year, for longer. And so too the year after that. This is what living on a planet that's heating rapidly is.

What happens when Jacobabad gets even hotter? What happens as the Pacific Northwest experiences heat domes for longer, more frequently?

For that, you need to understand the notion of “wet bulb temperature.” It accounts for heat stress to living things. When you cover a thermometer with a wet cloth, you record the temperature at which sweat cools the body with evaporation. Here's how climate scientist Simon Lewis puts it. “Humans cannot survive prolonged exposure to a wet-bulb temperature beyond 35°C because there is no way to cool our bodies. Not even in the shade, and not even with unlimited water.

Did you get that? Beyond 95 degrees Fahrenheit — which is what 35°C is — at 100% humidity, you're *dead*. Fast. Bang. You can't cool yourself. You go into organ failure,

and literally boil alive from the inside, as your proteins denature (you can think my doctor wife for that lovely description.)

Now, that wet bulb temperature has only been reached in a few places, for a few hours — so far. But we are now experiencing dramatic, massive warming as a globe. Warming which only, frankly, extremists and idiots can go on denying. You only have to think about how much hotter summer's gotten wherever you are to literally feel how much our planet's heating. We're going to cross that line. Nobody can say for sure when. But what we can say is that we're heading towards it at light speed, faster than anyone thinks. Portland and Vancouver being as hot as the hottest places on earth?

As we cross the wet-bulb threshold of about 35°C, places simply become *unlivable*. Lewis says “something truly terrifying is emerging: the creation of unliveable heat.”

What happens as we cross that line?

Well, you might think: I'll just run my AC harder! Bzzt, wrong. ACs need lower humidity to work well, and the more humid conditions get, the harder they need to work. Meanwhile, the harder you work your AC, the more the power grid, stressed by demand, unable to cope, will crash regularly — just as it does in Jacobabad, or it did in Portland and Vancouver.

We don't have a technology that's going to allow us to live comfortably on a boiling planet. I know that you might think we do, because, like me, you're used to the luxury of air conditioned bliss. The truth is that technology only works in a profoundly narrow range of environmental conditions, maybe from 50 to 100 Fahrenheit, with relatively low humidity. We aren't going to be able to air-condition our way out of being boiled alive.

Instead, entire regions of the planet will simply become, as Lewis says, *unlivable*. Some place will suffer regular heat domes. Some, like Jacobabad, will just be too hot, period, year round. And some will have a drier heat that produces megafires, over and over again. There a lot of ways — too many — that you get to “unlivable.”

Those places are also going to be *a lot more numerous* than we think. All those air conditioned glass towers in Miami? Good luck with that as the planet warms. All those steel and glass luxury skyscrapers in Manhattan? Have fun with a power grid that needs more juice than the entire East Coast can supply.

What happens as a place becomes unlivable? Massive levels of disruption do. People have already fled Jacobabad. As “human capital flight” ensues, disruptions happens on three levels. The place people are fleeing from gets poorer and more unstable. The place they're fleeing to usually doesn't

want them there, especially if they're coming with nothing.

And they will be coming with nothing, all these climate refugees and migrants, because, well, most of us have just one real asset, if we're lucky, and that's our homes. But if you have to leave a place because it's gotten too hot to live there... nobody's buying your home. It's worthless. Congratulations, now you're something like a war refugee — fleeing with the clothes on your back, and the money you can take with you.

As societies face these kinds of obstacles, they tend to destabilize. Let's talk about another effect of extreme heat and warming for a moment — the megadrought the American West faces. Right about now, most of us are pretending that it isn't a big deal. That's because there are still a few meagre resources left to tap. But once what's left of the water's gone, it's *gone. For good.* How are cities like Las Vegas and Los Angeles going to survive? The classic pattern goes like this: the rural hinterlands suffer the effects of drought and famine first, and then it creeps inwards, towards richer, more developed urban centres. Right about now, the West's mega drought is felt in California's once-lush farming valleys. But as it spreads east and west, like a cancer, as it's sure to do — what then?

Then...*bang.* Catastrophe. There's another whole category of refugees you

might never have considered. Not people fleeing from extreme heat, but people fleeing *for fresh water*. What do we even call these new categories of migrants and refugees? We don't even have names for them — and yet these changes are already upon us. And that's the point.

We are now living on a dying planet. It's not dying in an ultimate and final sense — probably not, anyways, although there's still some chance we end up with a cycle of runaway warming so severe we end up like Venus. We're living on a dying planet in the sense that it's heating up incredibly fast, faster than it has for hundreds of millions of years, quite possibly the fastest it's ever heated up.

And as the planet continues warming, faster and faster, living things are going to die. Lots of lots of them. Trillions upon trillions of them. Trees, insects, animals, fish. Rivers, oceans, skies, if you think of those as living things, too. And *us*.

What's certain not to survive is *this way of life*. We can't use the technologies we have now to fight the Existential Threats already on our doorstep. You can't air condition way out of a boiling planet. We can't use the cultural mores, values, norms, and institutions we have now to fight them, either — materialism, greed, selfishness, carelessness, indifference, and so on.

Where does that leave us? You probably already suspect my answer. This isn't a heatwave — it's a dying planet. Our civilisation is now beginning to collapse. When Portland and Seattle are almost as hot as Jacobabad — the hottest place on earth — which itself is becoming so that that soon it will literally be unsurvivable...then, my friends, we are a civilisation that has literally cooked itself alive. In the combustion and fumes of its own addiction to exploitation, stuff, toys, hate, rage, all the ways we try to escape from our own demons of loneliness, despair, ignorance, and powerlessness.

We're living on a dying planet. I guess

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Re: Blair Beekman. Sunday. September 12, 2021.... HCDC Commission & Community Advocacy Representation.

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Sun 9/12/2021 9:30 PM

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Thanks Blair Beekman for thinking about our democracy abd our commissions... the people's voice!

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HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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MEETINGS

HCDC meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month.* Meetings begin at 5:45 p.m.

Currently, HCDC meetings are conducted via Zoom.

*The Commission typically does not meet in July or December.

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Fw: Charter Commission: Contracts and Communication to Public

Sandra Delvin <[REDACTED]>

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I discovered that I sent this email to the wrong address. So I am resending.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gratefully and Respectfully,
Sandra Delvin, PE

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To: Charter.Review@sanjoseca.gov <charter.review@sanjoseca.gov>
Cc: Matthew Quevedo <matthew.quevedo@sanjoseca.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 2, 2021, 10:59:30 AM PDT
Subject: Charter Commission: Contracts and Communication to Public

Dear Charter Commission,

First, thank you to all of you who for serving on the commission. Your time, research, and thoughtful review of proposals is appreciated as well as your dedication and patience. Your work and obtaining complete and fair input from community is critical to assuring that our city's future is focused on what is best for all of us – not what special interests or political groups want.

It is my understanding that non-profits and CivicMakers have been hired to publicize to the community information about the commission and its activities. While I have limited social media, I am on Nextdoor and Facebook. I have not seen any social media about this commission on either of these medias.

I only heard about your public comment/forum late last week from a friend – not from any media or government effort. I am concerned about the effectiveness of this public outreach.

- What criteria is being used to reach San Jose residents?

- How is success being measured?
- What non-profits are being used? (If you could please send the list that would be appreciated.)
- Are they unbiased and truly reaching all elements of the San Jose community?
- Are the communication campaigns successful? (But my measure that not one neighbor on my street I asked or knew about the meeting from a media source, then I would say what is being done is not effective.)

This is so important perhaps mailings should to all registered voters or perhaps all households should be considered. Whatever is being done now is not working to assure complete representation of San Jose residents.

Thank you in assuring that you are truly getting input from across the community – not those representing special interest groups.

Again, thank you for your time and energy.

With respectful regards,

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Commission Scope Creep, Policing & Equity

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Thank you again for your service to the community by your participation on this commission.

I am writing to you about several issues.

Avoid Scope Creep

It is my understanding that the scope of the commission that was approved by the City Council was to focus on the following main items:

1. The mayoral election cycles
2. A "strong" mayor proposal

To me, it appears that significant scope creep has occurred. Issues and items are being added to the scope. I request that you focus your activities to those that were approved by the council. These items were discussed before the Council. More people and voters track the council actions than track the activities of this commission.

Police Oversight

After reading the letter from our current City Manager, Ms. Jennifer Maguire, I believe that police oversight should be removed from your activities as there is another team (Reimagining Public Safety Community Advisory Committee) assigned to work in this area. Thank you ahead of time for following the recommendation of the City Manager. Thank you ahead of time for eliminating this scope creep item from your activities. Perhaps, you can send related community input to the noted Advisory Committee.

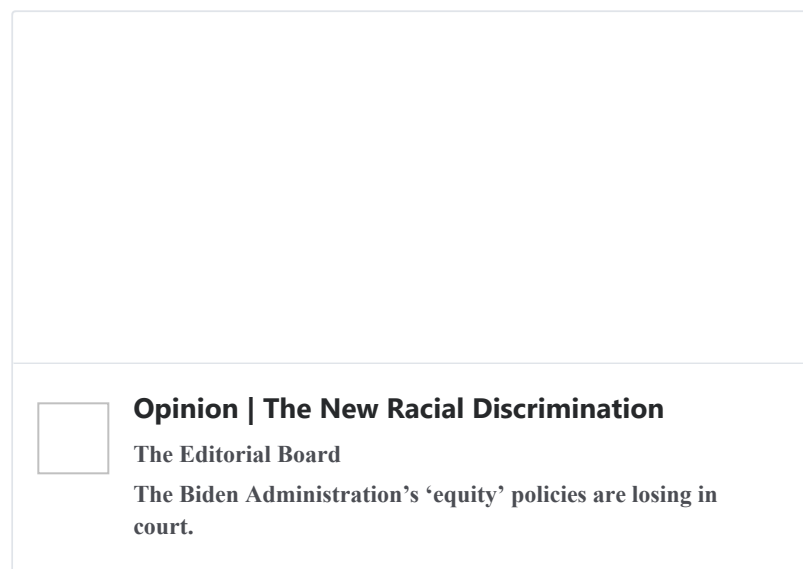
Equity

There is an Office of Racial Equity currently within the City of San Jose (See: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/office-of-the-city-manager/office-of-racial-equity>). It is my opinion that this office should be addressing "equity" concerns – not this commission. This topic is another example of scope creep in the commission's activities.

It is neither necessary nor advisable for the “equity” text which was proposed and discussed to be added to the city charter. The proposed charter words are vague, general, and could be open to interpretation (and misinterpretation). Currently, there are federal and state laws that address the issues of discrimination based on race, creed, religion, sex, etc.

Additionally, conditions and concerns change over time. Placing this language in the charter makes it difficult to address changing conditions and difficult to change the language in the future, if necessary. And over time they may conflict with legislation passed at the city, county, state or federal level.

Additionally, the definition of “equity” is not clearly understood. For example, the WSJ opinion piece titled “The New Racial Discrimination” with the subtitle: “The Biden Administration’s ‘equity’ policies are losing in court.” (See: [Opinion | The New Racial Discrimination](#)) documents examples of courts overturning “equity” policies. And “By equity, Mr. Biden means preferences for some racial groups over others to achieve equal outcomes.” With the confusion over the meaning of the term “equity” and with recent court rulings, this is another reason why the proposed wording should not be included in the city charter.



Adding “equity” words into the charter could have adverse consequences that currently are not understood. Please do not recommend including the proposed wording in our city charter. And there are others within the city working in this area.

Thank you

Thank you for your consideration.

Again, thank you to all the commissioners for your work. Thank you for redirecting your focus to the main questions. Thank you for not “stepping on the toes of others” that are working in other committees, departments, and/or commissions. Thank you for avoiding recommending the inclusion of text in the charter that could have adverse legal consequences.

With best regards and respectfully,

Sandra Delvin, PE

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FW: Charter Review Commission Item III.a Study Session

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Dear Chair Ferrer and Commissioners,

Please consider the following recommendations during this evening's study session:

1. Approve the City Manager's recommendation that the Charter Commission refer its work on Police matters to the Reimagining Public Safety Community Advisory Committee
2. Consider a Charter amendment to change the Chief of Police position from appointed to elected (just like County Sheriff Laurie Smith)
3. Consider a Charter amendment to change the City Manager position from appointed to elected
4. Consider a Charter amendment to change the City Controller position from appointed to elected
5. Consider a Charter amendment to change the City Attorney position from appointed to elected
- 6.

Respectfully presented for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

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