



Sustainability Commission Resolution in Support of Sunrise Eugene Recommendations

Whereas, residential Natural Gas use has risen 22% in Eugene from 2010 to 2019 and is the fastest growing sector of Eugene's emissions (Eugene 2019 GHG Inventory)

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Whereas, Industrial Natural gas use could expand with the Clear Lake Expansion of the UGB

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Whereas, without reducing fossil natural gas use the City will not achieve the GHG reduction goals stated in its 2014 Climate Recovery Ordinance

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Whereas, young people and historically marginalized communities, who will be most impacted by climate change, are advocating for swift and immediate action

Thereby,

Be it resolved; the Eugene Sustainability Commission recommends that the City of Eugene should refuse to sign a new franchise agreement with NW Natural unless they agree to terms that put us on track to meet our CRO goals and pass a series of ordinances to:

1. Mandate the transition of all utilities in the City to 100% renewable energy by 2030; or as soon as feasible
2. Ban the construction of all new fossil fuel infrastructure in the City
3. Levy a fee on NW Natural and other climate polluters to create a fund to transition low income and historically marginalized communities from fracked gas to electric appliances, and to retrofit these homes to increase efficiency

Eugene 2019 GHG Inventory - https://www.eugene-or.gov/DocumentCenter/View/59286/2019-Eugene-Community_GHG