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From: Gabriel Engeland

To: Public Comment

Subject: Fw: Reach Codes Regarding Electrification and Natural Gas

Date: Monday, September 12, 2022 5:41:28 PM

Thanks,

Gabe

Gabriel Engeland
City Manager
City of Los Altos
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From: lothar kleiner

Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 4:41 PM **To:** City Council <council@losaltosca.gov>

Subject: Reach Codes Regarding Electrification and Natural Gas

Dear Council Members,

Regarding the mandates that are coming for electrification of homes and phase out of natural gas, have you put into consideration: "then what?"

We all know how fragile the CA electric power grid is, so if there is a hot spell or a freezing spell, demand for power will go up and the probability of rolling black outs will be high. Therefore:

- 1. No AC, if too hot or heat, if too cold; seniors will suffer the most
- 2. No charging of EVs for transportation to job or urgent care emergencies
- 3. No backup generators that run on natural gas
- 4. No refrigerator spoiled food

These are a few and probably many more. Consider that natural gas is a clean fuel that emits only water and carbon dioxide (which is a plant fertilizer) during combustion. The rise in carbon dioxide has caused our planet to green. It is also sustainable if derived from plants and animal waste. The vast mineral mining operations required for so called green energy (lithium, rare earth metals, nickel, etc) have destroyed the environment where it is done, mainly in China, Chile, Democratic Republic of Congo (think child labor), Australia and Russia because the footprint for getting these resources is very high as opposed to the small footprint for harvesting natural gas.

Please think this policy through carefully. I do believe in climate change because that represents the history of our planet. I also believe in being good stewards and not polluting. I

am a scientist who has studied the science for many years. I absolutely will not knowingly post anything that is incorrect.

With deep respect for your position. Thank you for reading this and I welcome any questions that you may have either in person or via e-mail.

Lothar Kleiner, Ph.D.

From: <u>Carmen Colet</u>
To: <u>Public Comment</u>

Subject: I do not support GAS BAN. Thank you! **Date:** Monday, September 12, 2022 5:38:09 PM

This is late because I just returned from my vacation.

Carmen Colet 11630 Jessica Lane From: <u>Val Arnesen</u>
To: <u>Public Comment</u>

Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 4 – September 6, 2022

Date: Monday, September 12, 2022 4:04:04 PM

Dear Members of the City Council,

I oppose a total ban on use of gas in homes.

I also object to the city adopting restrictions stricter than that mandated by the State of California.

These requirements may cause residents to incur significant additional costs, including cabinet/millwork modifications and upgrading of electrical panels.

How about instead providing incentives to promote voluntary switching to gas appliances?

Thank you,

Valarie Arnesen (Resident of Los Altos)

From: Zane

To: <u>Public Comment</u>
Subject: Do not ban natural gas

Date: Monday, September 12, 2022 4:04:01 PM

This will not help reduce global warming at all. Stop your non sense.

zane morris 575 Tyndall St unit 7 Los Altos, ca From: Bill White
To: Public Comment

Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 4

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022 12:20:54 PM

I don't support a gas ban and oppose adopting codes more stringent than those set out by the state.

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Bill White

1220 Larnel Pl, Los Altos

From: Ron Stefani
To: Public Comment
Subject: Gas Ban

Date: Monday, September 5, 2022 9:32:15 AM

We are residents of Los Altos and Do Not Support the proposed gas ban. Thank you. Ron and Jane Stefani

From: hank@gauthier.us
To: Public Comment

Subject: [SPAM] PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM 4 – September 6, 2022

Date: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 2:21:52 PM

Importance: High

I am a resident and home owner in Los Altos since 1967. I STRONGLY oppose any gas bans which are more stringent than those passed by Sacramento.

Hank Gauthier

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