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**From:** [Linda K](#)  
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**To:**  
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Dear Mayor and City Council,

Thank you for your efforts to increase our active transportation & increase housing availability near transportation corridors, as well as your support of our open spaces.

The impacts to our city of a continuing warming climate are taking effect, not only by more extreme rain and weather patterns but additionally, we're scheduled to have another record-hot summer. Every year, heat stress kills more people worldwide than any other extreme weather event.

Please prioritize goals related to a climate action plan.

**The recent latest California Air Resources Board (CARB) local scoping recommendations make it easier than ever for cities to focus CAP efforts in the highest impact areas.**

The report is here: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/ab-32-climate-change-scoping-plan/2022-scoping-plan-documents>

The "local actions" appendix D is here: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2022-11/2022-sp-appendix-d-local-actions.pdf>

**The report shares that the biggest impact can come if cities focus their efforts in these 3 areas:**

**1. Transportation electrification 2. Vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction 3. Building decarbonization.**

**"By prioritizing climate action in these three priority areas, local governments can address the largest sources of GHGs within their jurisdiction."**

**You can't manage what you can't measure**

**A baseline is essential, so there can be yearly goals and targets set, and a report on progress.**

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<https://www.climateactioncampaign.org/1stocreportcard>

COSTA MESA

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While the report appears based on some objective and subjective evaluation, it is fair to say that Orange County is markedly behind on CAPs with only 6 out of 34 cities having a Climate Action Plan written.

Thank you for all your continued efforts to make Costa Mesa a better City for all,

Linda Kraemer, M.S.

Costa Mesa resident

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Andrea

I got your email address wrong, and missed the city clerk, sorry, so I'm resending my letter below

Phil Chipman\u-257 ?

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**Subject:** Costa Mesa must start a Climate Action Plan

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Dear Mayor and City Council,

I have been a resident of Costa Mesa for close to 40 years. This is a wonderful city - but I have recently found out that we are falling behind in our promise to create a Climate Action Plan (CAP).

Climate Change is affecting all of us. We are no longer a sustainable society. Our city has the opportunity to bend its habits back to a sustainable way of living - but we need a plan to guide us toward that goal.

I was concerned to see that Costa Mesa still does not have a separate Climate Action Plan.

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Please prioritize this issue, allocate funding for development on a CAP, and ensure that action on the plan does not get delayed any further.

Please let me know if I can be supportive in moving this process forward,

Sincerely,

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