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Irvine Green Ribbon Committee Members
Sona Coffee, Environmental Programs Administrator

RE: Item 3: Climate Action Plan Scope of Work

Dear Chair, Members of the Committee, and Staff,

The goal of this letter is to provide Climate Action Campaign’s input and highlight significant points in the Climate Action Plan Scope of Work that can be elaborated on.

Climate Action Campaign has always maintained that enforceable and legally-binding, bold Climate Action Plans identify the most direct and secure path towards stopping the climate crisis at the local level. The following consists of key highlights from the validation study, as well as our responses to concerns brought forth by MRW.

Key Highlights:

● **Task 5: Future Emissions Scenarios and Wedge Analysis**
  ○ One of the two additional scenarios as determined should be: a **Zero Carbon** by 2035 scenario

● **Task 8: Implementation Plan**
  ○ The Implementation Plan should include an inter-departmental and inter-agency task force

● **Task 9: Climate Action and Adaptation Plan**
  ○ The Consultant should use the boldest possible Climate Action Plans from across the state of California, including San Diego and Los Angeles, as templates for Irvine’s CAAP.

● **Task 11: Progress Monitoring and Reporting**
  ○ Template language in the Annual reporting of the CAAP progress must be **enforceable** and **legally-binding**.

● **Task 12: Marketing and Communications Plan**
  ○ The content and design templates for the multiple forms of communication media for the CAAP should be generated in multiple languages in addition to English, including Spanish, Chinese, and Korean.

During these difficult times, Irvine is the only city that has been able to provide leadership and a positive vision for climate justice in Orange County. Thank you for the opportunity to participate, and we look forward to continue working with you.

Sincerely,

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