

Cornwall City Council

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SUBJECT:	Creation of an Environment and Climate Change Committee

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Whereas; the top scientists of the United Nations have reports that we have 12 years to make unprecedented changes to limit climate change to a moderate level.

Whereas; rising sea levels, devastating droughts and damaging storms make it clear that all levels of government must be working towards reducing their environmental impact.

Whereas; the World Health Organization reports that climate change is the greatest threat to global health in the 21st century.

Whereas as; although the Earth climate has changed throughout history NASA reports that the current warming trend is particularly significant as it is greater than 95% the result of human activity since the mid-20th century and proceeding at a rate that is unprecedented.

Whereas; we are facing global waste crisis that must have local solutions to reduce the impact on environment. The City of Cornwall collected 12581 tonnes of curbside garbage in 2018 and has a stagnate and extremally low diversion rate of 30%.

Whereas; we as a municipality have a responsibility to address this crisis locally

in the efforts to contribute to the global solution.

Therefor be it resolve; that administration provide a report on the creation of an Environment and Climate Change Committee. This committee will be tasked to asses our environmental footprint and create a plan to address our impact both as a corporation and as a city.

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