

Excerpt from Benicia **City Council Minutes – May 23, 2017**

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15.C - REQUEST BY MAYOR PATTERSON TO AGENDIZE DISCUSSION OF ADOPTING AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY ORDINANCE (City Manager)

Document: [2-Step Request Industrial Safety Ord. \(Patterson\)](#)

Document: [Attachment: Two-Step Agenda Request - Industrial Ordinance \(Patterson\)](#)

Mayor Patterson reviewed her request.

Public Comment:

1. Marilyn Bardet - Ms. Bardet spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion.
2. Jenny O'Connor - Ms. O'Connor spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion.
3. Nicki Davis - Ms. Davis spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion.
4. Greg Davis - Mr. Davis spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion.
5. Sue Fisher Jones, Valero - Ms. Fisher Jones discussed Cal OSHA's recently enacted statewide industrial safety ordinance (ISO), which would supersede any local ISO. She discussed Contra Costa County's ISO. She asked the City to join Valero and other businesses impacted by the PGE incident, in asking PGE to ensure they all had reliable power.
6. Sam Morris - Mr. Morris suggested Valero talk to a local generator company to look into whether their generators could be used to help them with future power outages.
7. Rich Flynn - Mr. Flynn spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion. He spoke in support of making the air quality data public, as well as support for air quality monitoring.

Vice Mayor Young spoke in support of agendizing this item for a future discussion. He would like to include discussion of implementing fence line monitoring, an evacuation plan, and including PG&E on the discussion.

Council Member Hughes discussed the need to get more information on the recent 5/5/17 incident before proceeding with an ISO. He was concerned about the timing, as there are multiple investigations going on at this time, and we need to wait until we hear the outcome of those investigations.

Council Member Schwartzman discussed the need for an evacuation plan. He discussed concern regarding how much staff time would be required to bring this forward.

Council Member Campbell discussed concern regarding adding this to staff's list of projects.

Mayor Patterson discussed the fee structure involved in Contra Costa County's ISO.

Council Member Hughes discussed concern regarding the issue of staff time.

On motion of Vice Mayor Young, seconded by Council Member Campbell, Council approved agendizing this in the future, on a roll call by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Campbell, Council Member Schwartzman, Vice Mayor Young, Mayor Patterson

Noes: Council Member Hughes