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RE: First Reading of the Green Building Ordinance, February 27, 2018

Dear Supervisors:

We are writing to ask that you delay the February 27th hearing on Marin's Draft Green Building Ordinance to allow for additional public input.

We believe that Marin has an opportunity to lead and inspire movement toward zero emission buildings. The Building Code may set standards for years to come, even as the new California standards are anticipated. The staff's recommendations are significant, but it's an ideal opportunity to set the stage to "reach goals" that exceed what the state may propose. Innovation and technology are moving rapidly in this area and a well-organized charrette or similar gathering of expertise might serve us well.

The Marin Conservation League's Climate Action Working Group met on February 16th and there was consensus that the time is ripe for such action and broad support for this approach. With a little more time, a wider range of input might be effectively brought in. It would be a practical step toward implementing Marin's Drawdown and Climate Action Plan goals, and it is in that spirit that we ask you to invite additional input, delaying the process only slightly.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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