



SacEV News Flash

SMUD Board Of Directors Meeting April 28, 2021 @ 5:30pm

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 and the Emergency Board Meeting Procedures adopted by the SMUD Board of Directors, the regular Board meeting and other public meetings are closed to the public to align with state, local, and federal guidelines and social distancing recommendations for the containment of the coronavirus.

Live video streams and indexed archives of meetings are available at: http://smud.granicus.com/View-Publisher.php?view_id=16

Members of the public may register to provide verbal comments at an upcoming Board or Committee meeting by e-mailing a request to speak to PublicComment@smud.org. Please include the date of the meeting, name, and topic or agenda item on which the requestor wishes to speak. The request may also be submitted while the meeting is in progress during the standard time for the agenda item or topic.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged by no later than 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting. Members of the public may provide written public comments on a specific agenda item or on items not on the agenda (general public comment) by submitting comments via e-mail. Comments may be submitted to PublicComment@smud.org and will be placed into the record of the meeting.

Members of the public who are listening to or watching the live stream of a Board meeting and wish to submit written comments on a specific agenda item as it is being heard may submit their comments, limited to 250 words or less, to PublicComment@smud.org, noting the agenda item number in the subject line. The Board President may read comments for items on the agenda into the record, in her discretion, based upon such factors as the length of the agenda or the number of e-mail comments received.

General public comment for items not on the agenda will not be read into the record but will be provided to the Board and placed into the record of the Board meeting if it is received within two hours after the meeting ends.

Date: April 28, 2021 @ 5:30 p.m.

Zoom: <http://smud.zoomgov.com/j/1616100959?pwd=bVRNTTh4aFN5QW8vZWpSc1JUam-REZz09#success>

Web ID: 161 610 0959

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[Documents Here](#)

Agencies Looking at EV Safety as States Phase Out Gas Cars

By: Scripps National:

Posted at 11:53 AM, Apr 23, 2021 and last updated 11:01 AM, Apr 23, 2021.

Some states are moving forward with plans to phase out sales of gasoline cars and pave the way for more electric vehicles on the road.

Because of that, agencies are taking a close look at electric car safety.

"We are seeing electric vehicles perform as well in our tests as their internal combustion engine counterparts and that's good news for consumers," said David Harkey, President of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS).

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The IIHS recently crash tested two new fully electric vehicles made by Ford and Volvo. Both received top safety scores. The Volvo was slightly better only because its headlights performed better. As far as avoiding collisions through automatic braking and protecting drivers and passengers during a crash, they did well and perhaps even better than standard vehicles.

A recent study of insurance claims comparing nine battery electric vehicles to standard engine cars, found electric car owners had 40% fewer injury claims.

<https://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/national/agencies-looking-at-electric-vehicle-safety-as-states-phase-out-gas-cars>

South Lake Tahoe City Council Hears EV Transition plan

On October 20, 2020, the South Lake Tahoe City Council approved the Climate Action Plan to help meet city and statewide greenhouse gas emissions reductions goals.

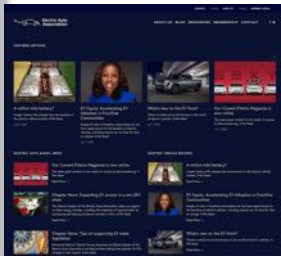
One way to help reduce GHG is by replacing the city's vehicle fleet with EVs. The first phase of the 5-year replacement plan will focus on 8 light weight vehicles. The cost of vehicle replacement is ~\$41K/vehicle. Infrastructure costs to support all the vehicles will be ~\$300K, however these costs will not need to be paid immediately. Many grants exist for vehicle replacements and infrastructure. As technology improves, staff will continue to update the plan to replace larger vehicles.

Capital Improvements Project Manager, Jim Marino, estimated the vehicles would cost ~\$10 to charge versus ~\$80 to fill with gas. Councilmember, John Friedrich, pointed out the existing vehicles would need to be replaced no matter what.

The council approved the purchase of a Tesla Model 3 AWD. The vehicle plus infrastructure to support it would cost the city ~\$60,000.

<https://www.tahoedailytribune.com/news/city-approves-street-replacement-projects-electric-vehicle-plan/>

Join the National Electric Auto Association



Join other SacEV members as national Electric Auto Association members, you are joining the national grass-roots community advocating for EVs in the USA. The national EAA is critically important to SacEV as it handles our administrative chores (tax filings, non-profit status, banking service, insurance, legal help, etc.) and provides value, such as webinars and the two nationwide events: National Drive Electric Week and Drive Electric Earth Day.

Your SacEV leadership team relies on these services, so we encourage you to join the national organization for the small sum of \$35 annually. You will also be able to keep current with the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of electric vehicles in our regular Current Events e-blog. This blog is full-color, available 24/7 on-line from your desktop, laptop, smartphone, or however you access the internet.

Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join [NOW](#).**

More SacEV Events Are Coming Up

Check the [SacEV calendar](#) for the latest EV-related activities.

