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TO:	Mayor Hutchinson and Councilmembers
FROM:	Eric Levine, Chair, Air Quality Advisory Board
CC:	Darin Atteberry, City Manager Lucinda Smith, AQAB Staff Liaison
DATE:	November 10, 2010
SUBJECT:	AQAB Recommendations on Proposed City Plan Air Quality Policies

On October 18, the Air Quality Advisory Board discussed the policies proposed in the Environmental section of the draft City Plan, with special focus on the Air Quality and Climate Change policies. At the time we made two recommendations that have been subsequently addressed in more recent version of City Plan. Those recommendations were:

1) modify Policy ENV 8.3 to say:

"The City will focus on improving air pollution by reducing total city-wide emissions over the long term and assuring that localized air pollution exposures conform to adopted health standards."

2) In the Environmental Resources Vision section (First page of ENV chapter), change the bullet that says * reduced greenhouse gas emissions to: "Invest to meet the goals of the Climate Action Plan and reduce greenhouse gas emissions."

With those changes made, the Board unanimously (8-0-0) adopted the following motion in support of the air quality policies in City Plan:

Dennis Georg moved and Nancy York seconded a motion to submit the following recommendation to Council.

The AQAB has reviewed the air quality policy language in the Plan Fort Collins draft and recommends that the Council adopt the principles and policies as stated. The AQAB appreciates the efforts that have been made to coherently integrate transportation, environment, energy, health and air quality challenges into the updated proposed City Plan. Motion passed unanimously.

Several Board members also recommended that the visions statements in City Plan should be more inspiring complete statements, with actions verbs, rather than a bulleted list of points.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into the City Plan policies.