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**CAUTION:** External Sender

Hello,

I urge the Council to NOT declare a climate emergency as there is no such emergency. Asserting that there is an emergency is not the same as there actually being one. All the acceptable climate "science" lacks much actual science but is loaded with virtue-signaling, politics, power and money. Consensus is not science. Censoring and banning opposing viewpoints and data is not science.

Climate has always changed and always will. It changed before we humans arrived on earth, it changed when we lived in caves, it changed when we were hunters and gatherers, it changed before there was any industrialization. Any honest climate scientist knows that climate is primarily caused by the power of the sun, alterations in the earth's rotation and orbit, and oceanic oscillations - all powers far more powerful than we mere humans. To even consider that we have a meaningful effect on planetary climate is nothing more than hubris - thinking that humans are more important than anything else.

CO2 is a necessity for life. More of it certainly helps crops and all vegetation to grow, enabling the feeding of more people alive today than ever before. Trying to cut back CO2 could be completely useless if nature is creating much of it or it could be very harmful to people should it lead to famine.

Please act with intelligence and not with virtue-signaling and reject the declaration of this non-emergency emergency.

Thank you.

Thomas Ruppenthal