



**REGULAR MEETING of the Citizens Advisory Committee
of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Thursday, November 7, 2019
MINUTES**

2075 Woodside Road, Redwood City, CA 94061
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

- Present:** Desiree Thayer, Burlingame, *Chair*
Morgan Aitken-Young, Redwood City
Allen Brown, Unincorporated San Mateo County
Michael Closson, Menlo Park
Ray Larios, Burlingame
Janelle London, Menlo Park
Walter Melville, San Bruno
Jason Mendelson, Redwood City
- Absent:** Gladwyn D'Souza, Belmont, *Vice Chair*
Diane Bailey, Belmont
Steven Booker, Half Moon Bay
Janet Creech, Millbrae
Joe Fullerton, Half Moon Bay
Scott Harmon, Portola Valley
James Ruigomez, San Bruno
- Staff:** Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, Senior Manager of Community Relations
Shayna Barnes, Administrative Assistant
Anne Bartoletti, Board Clerk/Office Manager/Executive Assistant to the CEO
David Silberman, General Counsel

A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Made / Seconded: Mendelson / London

Motion passed 8-0 (Absent: D'Souza, Bailey, Booker, Creech, Fullerton, Harmon, Ruigomez)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Chair Report (Discussion)

Desiree Thayer, *Chair*, shared that the presentation slides and video of Pradeep Gupta's "Deeper Dive" on Energy Market Issues is posted on the Peninsula Clean Energy Website.

Desiree also gave an update that the Youth Climate Ambassadors Leadership Program applications are open until December 1st, 2019, and encouraged members to send any interested 9th, 10th, and 11th graders within San Mateo County to the website to apply.

2. Outreach Update (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, *Senior Manager of Community Relations*, mentioned that outreach events are slowing down for the season, but that we are still in need of volunteer staff for some upcoming events, in particular the Pacifica Rockaway Tree Lighting Festival on December 8th.

Kirsten also reminded members to spread the word about our electric vehicle discount program that ends December 31st.

Jason Mendelson shared that during building reach codes outreach events he has experienced appreciation for PCE's programs work from city councils and staff.

3. Legislative and Regulatory Update (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind talked about the recent CalCCA Annual Meeting and how the emphasis this year was what work CCAs can do in the area of grid reliability.

Kirsten also mentioned that PCE, along with other CCAs, have formed a Resource Adequacy working group and are also a part of a PCIA working group.

Allen Brown asked if the CCAs are involved in the PG&E bankruptcy discussions.

David Silberman, *General Counsel*, answered that PCE has been actively monitoring the bankruptcy.

4. Approve 2020 Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2020 (Action)

Motion Made / Seconded: Mendelson / Closson

Motion passed 8-0 (Absent: D'Souza, Bailey, Booker, Creech, Fullerton, Harmon, Ruigomez)

5. Presentation on Microgrids (Discussion) (Bob O'Hagan of the Clean Coalition)

Bob O'Hagan of the Clean Coalition gave an overview of the work that the Clean Coalition is doing with regard to microgrids. Bob went into detail on the elements behind microgrid design and proposed that an area in which PCE can contribute is feed-in tariffs (FITs).

6. DER/Resiliency Discussion (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind gave an update that at the October 24th Board Meeting the Board allocated up to \$10 million dollars over the next three years for local electricity resilience programs that would focus on the areas of critical facilities and medically vulnerable residents.

Allen Brown proposed talking to telecommunications companies about resiliency efforts.

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind shared with members that on Tuesday, November 5th, East Bay Community Energy, Silicon Valley Clean Energy, Silicon Valley Power, and Peninsula Clean Energy issued a joint RFP for a minimum of 32.7 MW of resource adequacy through behind-the-meter battery storage installations, with a target of 10 MW in San Mateo County.

Janelle London suggested bidirectional charging in cars and buses as a possible resiliency initiative.

Raymond Larios suggested jails and juvenile facilities as possible facilities to target for resiliency projects.

7. Strategic Planning Update (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind reminded committee members that our strategic planning consultants are reaching out to schedule interviews for the strategic planning process. Committee members discussed what they could consider talking about in their phone calls.

8. Work Group Reports (Discussion)

Reach Code Work Group has been advocating for cities to adopt reach codes. Jason Mendelson reported that many of the municipalities are going beyond the model reach code proposed by PCE.

9. Formation of Ad Hoc Committees (Action)

No ad hoc committee was formed.

10. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion)

Committee members suggested agenda items for future meetings including inviting Peter Levitt to talk about the resiliency program, discussing how to engage the board on FITs and microgrids, and receiving an update on the strategic planning work.

11. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm.