

**REGULAR MEETING of the Citizens Advisory Committee
of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Thursday, March 11, 2021
MINUTES**

Video conference and teleconference
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Desiree Thayer, Burlingame, *Chair*
Ray Larios, Burlingame, *Vice Chair*
Diane Bailey, Belmont
Steven Booker, Half Moon Bay
Morgan Chaknova, Redwood City
Michael Closson, Menlo Park
Janet Creech, Millbrae
Terri Givens, Unincorporated Menlo Park
Kathryn Green, San Mateo
Jason Mendelson, Redwood City

Absent: Allen Brown, Unincorporated San Mateo County
Tim Bussiek, Belmont
Joe Fullerton, Half Moon Bay
Janelle London, Menlo Park
Alexander Melendrez, San Bruno

Staff: Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer
KJ Janowski, Director of Marketing and Community Affairs
Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, Senior Manager of Community Relations
Siobhan Doherty, Director of Power Resources
Shraddha Mutyal, Programs Manager
Jennifer Stalzer Kraske, Deputy County Counsel
Shayna Barnes, Administrative Assistant
Anne Bartoletti, Board Clerk/Office Manager/Executive Assistant to the CEO

Board

Members: Jeff Aalfs, Board Member, CAC Liaison
Rick Bonilla, Board Member, CAC Alternate Liaison
Betsy Nash, Board Member

A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick Bonilla, Board Member, CAC Alternate Liaison

ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Made / Seconded: Mendelson / Larios

Motion passed 9-0 (Absent: Booker, Brown, Bussiek, Fullerton, London, Melendrez)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Chair Report (Discussion)

Desiree Thayer, *Chair*, reported that Burlingame library's "Burlingame Reads" program will have discussions about environmental justice, equity, and community care.

<https://www.burlingame.org/library/explore/burlingamereads.php>

2. Building Electrification Panel (Discussion) (speakers: Cordel Stillman, Sonoma Clean Power; Scott Blunk, Sacramento Municipal Utility District; Bret Andersen and Bruce Hodge, BE Smart/Carbon Free Palo Alto; Aimee Gotway Bailey, Silicon Valley Clean Energy)

Diane Bailey introduced the panel speakers.

Cordel Stillman reviewed Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) building electrification programs, including the Advanced Energy Center that provides free energy classes, demonstrates clean technologies, and discounted products for retrofits; and Advanced Energy Build and Advanced Energy Rebuild programs that provide incentives for new construction.

Scott Blunk reviewed analysis of induction cooking perceptions and avoided carbon pollution, and reviewed Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) grid emissions and residential electrification programs, including low-income electrification and financing incentives.

Bruce Hodge reviewed BE Smart (BE = beneficial electrification) which provides installation solutions and seeks to replace existing fossil-fueled (FF) devices in residential and commercial buildings in the next ten years. Bret Andersen reviewed details of BE Smart, including having utilities proactively replace soon-to-fail FF devices with BE devices.

Aimee Bailey reviewed Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) building decarbonization activities, community GHG (greenhouse gas) reduction goals, and their suite of intervention programs, including retail products and services, education and outreach, public policy, and market transformation.

Committee members discussed barriers to electrification of condos and apartments, direct-install programs, contractor training, permit compliance, and reach codes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Schmidt

3. Work Group Reports (Discussion)

Desiree Thayer reported that the CAC is in transition to new work groups with new tasks.

Diane Bailey reported that Jason Mendelson will be taking over as the lead for the Building Electrification Work Group. Jason Mendelson reported the group is looking at reach codes.

Michael Closson reported that Distributed Energy Resources (DER) staff would like help identifying sites for solar, and that the DER work group is still interested in microgrids.

4. Updating CAC Work Plan (Discussion)

Morgan Chaknova reviewed the 2020 work plan, its guiding principles, and CAC Role and Responsibilities. Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, *Senior Manager of Community Relations*, reviewed a list of six projects identified by staff for CAC assistance in 2021.

Committee members discussed not disbanding the 2020 work groups for one more month, and suggested proposals to add more targeted projects to the 2021 project list. Committee members also discussed the Board's DEAI (Diversity, Equity, Access, and Inclusion) Subcommittee, the work plan's guiding principles, objectives, and strategic goals, and the process to work with PCE staff.

5. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion)

Desiree Thayer suggested a workforce trades presentation with guest speakers, and Rick Bonilla and Steven Booker offered to assist. Kirsten Andrews-Schwind reviewed the draft agenda for the March 25, 2021 Board meeting.

6. Committee Members' Reports

No reports.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.