



**REGULAR MEETING of the Citizens Advisory Committee
of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Thursday, September 8, 2022
MINUTES**

Video conference and teleconference
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Daniel Baerwaldt, Los Banos
Diane Bailey, Belmont
Steven Booker, Half Moon Bay
Michael Closson, Menlo Park
Joe Fullerton, Half Moon Bay
Michael Garvey, San Carlos *arrived at 6:40 p.m.*
Kathleen Goforth, San Carlos
Katie Green, San Mateo
Jason Mendelson, Redwood City, *Vice Chair*
Cheryl Schaff, Menlo Park, *Chair*
Desiree Thayer, Burlingame
Bryan Tran, South San Francisco

Absent:

Brandon Chan, South San Francisco
Margaret Li, South San Francisco
Edward Love, Half Moon Bay

A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the Minutes for August 11, 2022, Regular Meeting**

2. Adopt Findings Pursuant to AB 361 to Continue Fully Teleconferenced Committee Meetings Due to Health Risks Posed by In-Person Meetings

Motion Made / Seconded: Booker / Goforth

Motion passed 11-0 (Absent: Chan, Garvey, Li, Love)

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Chair Report (Discussion)

No Chair Report

4. Public Workshop on Proposed Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion Policy for Peninsula Clean Energy (Discussion)

Shayna Barnes, *Operations Specialist*, introduced Jonathan Stutz of GCAP Services, Inc. Jonathan provided an overview of Peninsula Clean Energy's Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion (DEAI) process and draft policy.

Comments from Committee members and members of the public included recommendations to incorporate more specific details and accountability around the reporting and review process; emphasize a more explicit commitment to anti-racism in the policy; apply the DEAI policy to Peninsula Clean Energy's vendors; align DEAI policy goals with the mission of the agency and list the energy program design and implementation DEAI goals earlier in the policy document in order to prioritize them.

5. Brief Overview of Local Impacts of the Inflation Reduction Act (Discussion)

Diane Bailey, *Committee member*, reviewed the local benefits of the Inflation Reduction Act, including the role of financial incentives in reducing the cost of home electrification and electric vehicles. Jason Mendelson, *Vice Chair*, requested additional information about how nonprofits can benefit from renewable energy incentives through the bill's direct pay provision. Joe Fullerton, *Committee member*, highlighted the Inflation Reduction Act's overall alignment with the Justice40 Initiative and the recent climate investments included in the California State budget.

6. Working Group Reports (Discussion)

Jason Mendelson reported that the Building Electrification Education working group met. Diane Bailey and Daniel Baerwaldt, *Committee member*, provided an update on results of the 2035 decarbonization feasibility assessment, which evaluated Peninsula Clean Energy's goal to contribute to our community reaching a goal of 100% greenhouse gas-free by 2035.

7. Marketing and Community Liaison Update (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, *Senior Manager of Community Relations*, provided an update on Peninsula Clean Energy's EV Ready and Zero Percent Financing programs.

8. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion)

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind announced the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors Retreat on September 22, 2022. Kirsten suggested timely topics for the October CAC meeting, such as a discussion on the Zero Percent Financing program, and reviewed past recommendations from Committee members.

Michael Closson, *Committee member*, requested a discussion on Peninsula Clean Energy's goal of creating a minimum of 20 megawatts of new local power by 2025. Jason Mendelson recommended an update on reach codes.

9. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion)

Joe Fullerton announced his resignation after the October CAC meeting. Diane Bailey provided information about the Green Home Tour on September 24, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.