

# Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA) Minutes

Thursday, June 23, 2022 6:30 p.m. Zoom Video Conference and Teleconference

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **ROLL CALL**

## Participating Remotely:

Dave Pine, San Mateo County Warren Slocum, San Mateo County Rick DeGolia, Atherton, Chair Julia Mates. Belmont Donna Colson, Burlingame, Vice Chair Raquel Gonzalez, Colma Roderick Daus-Magbual, Daly City Carlos Romero, East Palo Alto Sam Hindi, Foster City arrived at 7:09 p.m. Harvey Rarback, Half Moon Bay Tom Faria, Los Banos Betsy Nash, Menlo Park Anne Schneider, Millbrae arrived at 6:40 p.m. Tygarjas Bigstyck, Pacifica Marty Medina, San Bruno Rick Bonilla, San Mateo James Coleman, South San Francisco

Pradeep Gupta, Director Emeritus John Keener, Director Emeritus

#### Absent:

Coleen Mackin, Brisbane Laurence May, Hillsborough Jeff Aalfs, Portola Valley Giselle Hale, Redwood City Laura Parmer-Lohan, San Carlos Jennifer Wall, Woodside

A quorum was established.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jeremy

# **SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Jennifer Stalzer, Associate General Counsel, presided over the official swearing-in of new Board Member Warren Slocum from the County of San Mateo.

## ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE REMAINING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

**MOTION:** Director Bonilla moved, seconded by Director Mates to set the Agenda, and approve Agenda Item Numbers 1-3.

- Adopt Findings Pursuant to AB 361 to Continue Fully Teleconferenced Committee Meetings
   Due to Health Risks Posed by In-Person Meetings
- 2. Approval of the Minutes for the May 26. 2022 Meeting
- 3. Delegate Authority to the Chief Executive Officer to Decide Whether to Accept an Allocation of the PG&E Voluntary Allocation and Market Offer Renewable Energy Credit Solicitation (Action)

**MOTION PASSED:** 16-0 (Absent: Brisbane, Foster City, Hillsborough, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos, Woodside)

JURISDICTION	BOARD MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
San Mateo County	Director Pine	Х			
San Mateo County	Director Slocum	Χ			
Atherton	Director DeGolia	Χ			
Belmont	Director Mates	Χ			
Brisbane	Director Mackin				Х
Burlingame	Director Colson	Χ			
Colma	Director Gonzalez	Χ			
Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Χ			
East Palo Alto	Director Romero	Χ			
Foster City	Director Hindi				Х
Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Χ			
Hillsborough	Director May				Х
Los Banos	Director Faria	Χ			
Menlo Park	Director Nash	Χ			
Millbrae	Director Schneider	Χ			
Pacifica	Director Bigstyck	Χ			
Portola Valley	Director Aalfs				Х
Redwood City	Director Hale				Х
San Bruno	Director Medina	Χ			
San Carlos	Director Parmer-Lohan				Х
San Mateo	Director Bonilla	Χ			
South San Francisco	Director Coleman	Х			
Woodside	Director Wall				Х
	Totals	16			7

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 4. Chair Report

Chair DeGolia reported that a Board Subcommittee has been created for the Annual CEO Review including Board Members Colson, Mates and Aalfs.

#### 5. CEO Report

Jan Pepper, CEO, gave a presentation including a staffing update, an update on California Community Power (CC Power), an update on the RFP for Local Government PV Systems, and a Legislative Update.

#### 6. Citizens Advisory Committee Report

Cheryl Schaff, Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Vice Chair, gave a presentation recapping the June 9, 2022 CAC Meeting.

## 7. Approval of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget (Action)

Andy Stern, Chief Financial Officer, gave a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget including key budget assumptions, the PG&E and Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) rate change summary, the forecast, budget summary, and the 5-year plan.

Vice Chair Colson asked for clarification on what happens if Peninsula Clean Energy exceeds the operating budget. Andy explained that the board would need to approve spending over the budgeted amount and that the Audit and Finance Committee monitors expenses as part of the quarterly package.

#### Public Comment: Drew

Vice Chair Colson commended Staff's efforts in controllable areas such as the cost of energy and contracts for future demand in a time where the forecasts in the energy market have become increasing unpredictable.

Director Romero shared his appreciation for Andy Stern's thoroughness and offered suggestions for the use of Peninsula Clean Energy's excess cash on hand.

Chair DeGolia suggested to keep an eye on cash on hand over the next year due to the fluctuating market before making any decisions.

#### **Public Comment**: Jeremy

**MOTION:** Director Bonilla moved, seconded by Director Romero to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and 5-year projections.

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East Palo Alto	Director Romero	Х			
Foster City	Director Hindi	Х			
Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Х			
Hillsborough	Director May				Х
Los Banos	Director Faria	Х			
Menlo Park	Director Nash	Х			
Millbrae	Director Schneider	Х			
Pacifica	Director Bigstyck	Х			
Portola Valley	Director Aalfs				Х
Redwood City	Director Hale				Х
San Bruno	Director Medina	Х			
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8. Approval of New Peninsula Clean Energy Rates to be Effective July 1, 2022 with a Net 5% Discount in Generation Charges for ECOplus Compared to PG&E Generation Rates (Action)

Leslie Brown, Director of Account Services, gave a presentation on the proposed new energy rates for Peninsula Clean Energy including the June 2022 PG&E Rate Change, a recap of the Peninsula Clean Energy rate making methodology, information on the 2016 vintage and 2021 vintage Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA).

#### Public Comment: Kathleen Goforth

Chair DeGolia explained that the proposed rate change is to the ECOplus rates which in turn will change the ECO100 rate which equates to the ECOplus rate plus one cent.

**MOTION:** Director Rarback moved, seconded by Director Colson to Approve a Resolution to implement new Peninsula Clean Energy ECOplus rates effective July 1, 2022 to reflect a net 5% discount relative to June 1, 2022 PG&E rates.

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#### 9. Calpine Master Services Agreement Amendment for FlexMarket (Action)

Peter Levitt, Associate Manager, Distributed Energy Resources, gave a presentation on the Calpine Master Services Agreement Amendment for FLEXMarket including an overview of FLEXMarket including the structure of the program, the history, schedule and key points.

#### Public Comment: Jeremy

**MOTION:** Director Pine moved, seconded by Director Romero to delegate authority to the CEO to execute the First Amendment to the Master Services Agreement between Peninsula Clean Energy and Calpine, and approve a three-year, \$4,678,563 budget for the FLEXmarket program, all reimbursable by the CPUC.

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Belmont	Director Mates	Χ	
Brisbane	Director Mackin		X
Burlingame	Director Colson	Х	
Colma	Director Gonzalez	Х	
Daly City	Director Daus-Magbual	Х	
East Palo Alto	Director Romero	Х	
Foster City	Director Hindi	Х	
Half Moon Bay	Director Rarback	Х	
Hillsborough	Director May		X
Los Banos	Director Faria	Х	
Menlo Park	Director Nash	Х	
Millbrae	Director Schneider	Х	
Pacifica	Director Bigstyck	Х	
Portola Valley	Director Aalfs		X
Redwood City	Director Hale		X
San Bruno	Director Medina	Х	
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#### 10. 2022 Reach Code Update (Discussion)

Blake Herrschaft, Programs Manager, gave an update on 2022 Reach Codes including background on Reach Codes, 2019 adopters, proposed 2022 Reach Codes and timeline, proposed 2022 Electric Vehicle (EV) Reach Codes, and information on opportunities within existing buildings. Blake also presented information on timing and sample costs.

Director Romero asked for clarification on the difference between high and low power Level 2 EV chargers. Phillip Kobernick, Programs Manager, explained that the difference between the high and low power EV chargers is in the amperage with the high-power charger requiring a 40 amp circuit.

Director Bonilla asked if the lower amperage means that it takes longer to charge the EV. Phillip answered yes, and explained that high power chargers produce about 6.6 kW while the low power chargers produce 3.3kW. Rafael Reyes, Director of Power Resources, added that this primarily affects residential multifamily dwellings.

<u>Public Comment</u>: Drew, Zachary Meyer, Saman de Silva, Claire Shintani, Russell Chiu, Robert Whitehair, Libby Traubman, Vivienne Scott, Suzanne Emerson

Director Schneider shared that the city of Millbrae included a carve out for biotech in the updated new building codes and they have seen success with biotech companies going all-electric. Director Schneider asked Staff to look into existing building Reach Codes in relation to restaurants and housing laws in relation to new building Reach Codes.

Director Rarback shared that when Half Moon Bay was considering existing building Reach Codes there was pushback from the community which resulted in the inclusion of exceptions. Director Rarback believes that public education should begin as soon as possible to make a dent in methane emissions in existing buildings.

Director Bonilla shared that the city of San Mateo has set a goal of eliminating the use of methane by 2030 and that existing building Reach Codes are needed as soon as possible to help achieve that goal.

Director Nash suggested looking into watt diets to avoid panel upgrades and shared that Menlo Park has a partnership with BlocPower to build a workforce training program to help with contractors that are knowledgeable about electrification.

Director Romero shared support for existing residential building electrification in concept but shares a concern for low-income and fixed-income residents to afford upgrades.

Director Hindi shared that most of the power lines in Foster City are underground creating large financial barriers to electrifying existing structures.

Blake Herrschaft shared that Peninsula Clean Energy staff is working on guidelines to work though panel upgrades including working with Electrify My Home.

Director Nash asked about the downside of releasing existing building Reach Codes today. Blake explained that the Reach Codes are still in draft form, and that staff would like feedback from Board Members.

Director Bonilla asked when the Reach Codes will be prepared for use by the cities. Blake explained that the Reach Codes are nearing completion. Rafael added that following a review from CEO, Jan Pepper, these Codes could be available for distribution next week.

#### 11. Board Members' Reports

Vice Chair Colson expressed gratitude to Jan Pepper for attending the ribbon cutting for the Burlingame Community Center and the Green Building Award.

Director Emeritus Keener expressed gratitude to Siobhan Doherty, Director of Power Resources, and Andy Stern, Chief Financial Officer, for their years of service.

Director Faria expressed gratitude to Marc Hershman for attending a retirement celebration as Director Faria retires from teaching.

Chair DeGolia shared that Atherton recently opened their new town center that is 100% electric.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.