



**REGULAR MEETING of the Executive Committee of the
Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Monday, September 14, 2020
MINUTES**

8:00 a.m.

Peninsula Clean Energy
Video conference and teleconference

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jeff Aalfs, Town of Portola Valley, *Chair*
Rick DeGolia, Town of Atherton, *Vice Chair*
Dave Pine, County of San Mateo
Carole Groom, County of San Mateo
Julia Mates, City of Belmont
Donna Colson, City of Burlingame
Catherine Carlton, City of Menlo Park
Rick Bonilla, City of San Mateo
Pradeep Gupta, Director Emeritus
John Keener, Director Emeritus

Absent: Catherine Mahanpour, City of Foster City (*Absent due to technical difficulties*)

Staff: Jan Pepper, CEO
Andy Stern, CFO
Leslie Brown, Director of Customer Care
Rafael Reyes, Director of Energy Programs
Phillip Kobernick, Programs Manager
Alejandra Posada, Energy Programs Specialist
KJ Janowski, Director of Marketing and Community Affairs
Siobhan Doherty, Director of Power Resources
Jennifer Stalzer Kraske, Deputy County Counsel
Anne Bartoletti, Board Clerk/Executive Assistant to the CEO

A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION TO SET AGENDA AND TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion Made / Seconded: Groom / DeGolia

Motion passed unanimously 8-0 (Absent: Mahanpour)

REGULAR AGENDA

1. CHAIR REPORT

Board Chair Jeff Aalfs reported that he will appoint a Liaison and one or more Alternate Liaisons to the Citizens Advisory Committee at the October 22, 2020, Board meeting.

2. CEO REPORT

Chief Executive Officer Jan Pepper provided an update on staffing, Board subcommittee meetings, and meetings with Commissioners of the CPUC (California Public Utilities Commission) and CEC (California Energy Commission). She reported that Peter Levitt presented a webinar at the CalCCA (California Community Choice Association) Community Energy Innovation webinar series on resilience with solar+storage.

3. REVIEW DRAFT BOARD RETREAT AGENDA

Jan Pepper reviewed the draft agenda for the Board Retreat taking place the morning of Saturday, September 26, 2020. She reported that due to the virtual nature of the meeting, the retreat is being made shorter and will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon. She reported that detailed reports will be provided in the agenda packet so that presentations during the retreat will be more high-level.

The Committee discussed Retreat agenda items and plans for a future discussion of power purchasing.

4. DISCUSS CURBSIDE CHARGING PROGRAM

Director of Energy Programs Rafael Reyes reported that the Curbside Charging pilot program uses streetlights to provide access to EV (Electric Vehicle) charging. He reviewed the key issues being evaluated prior to selection of Curbside Charging sites, the objectives and costs of the pilot phases, and the timeline. Committee members discussed the phase costs, equity in the location of chargers, and city budgets.

Online Chat:

Donna – If we are going to do this, then I think that there should be a push to help our underserved communities and support their staff in making these decisions.

Rafael - Thank you Director Colson. We will be looking at underserved communities closely

Rafael - Director Colson, I'm now noting your interest in Burlingame's possible participation in the Curbside pilot. We will circle back with you.

Donna - Thank you - and I will check with Kevin if maybe we are already doing this in our Rollins Road specific plan. Maybe we can cover the cost and just use PCE in an advisory capacity. Thanks all - I am learning a lot about all of this.

5. DISCUSS CONSTRAINTS FOR ORGANIZATION AND EVENT SPONSORSHIPS

Director of Marketing and Community Affairs KJ Janowski reviewed three options that would restrict sponsorship of events and memberships of organizations that endorse or oppose political candidates and/or political initiatives.

Committee members discussed the options and came to a general consensus supporting Option 1: Restrict sponsorship or membership to organizations that do not endorse or oppose political candidates.

6. REVIEW EXISTING BUILDING ELECTRIFICATION INCENTIVES

Rafael Reyes reviewed residential appliances involved in existing building electrification, natural gas emissions sources in the County of San Mateo, and the programs roadmap for existing building electrification. He outlined and compared the costs and incentives for water heating retrofits and space heating retrofits.

Committee members discussed the cost of panel upgrades, the Harvest Thermal pilot, and the pros and cons of providing incentives for heat pump water heaters versus heat pumps for heating and cooling.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Suzanne Henderson Emerson, San Carlos Green

Diane Bailey, Menlo Spark and Campaign for Fossil Free Buildings in Silicon Valley

Linda Hutchins-Knowles, Mothers Out Front Silicon Valley

7. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.