

City of San Diego
Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB)
June 9, 2016
Meeting No. 120

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Julia Brown – At Large Member	Douglas Kot (Vice Chair) – Building Industry
John Bumgarner (Chair) – Solar Industry	Andrew McKercher – Labor Organization
Jack Clark – Center for Sustainable Energy	Jay Powell – Environmental Advocate
Sean Karafin – At Large Member	Eddie Price – At Large Member Alternate #1

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jason Anderson – Business Community	Eric Scheidlinger – At Large Alternate #2
Jerry Butkiewicz – San Diego Gas & Electric	

I. Call to Order

John Bumgarner called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

II. Introductions

James Hay, Sr. Mechanical Engineer introduced himself – he will be the participant for Development Services Department.

III. Approval of Agenda and Adoption of the Minutes

Jay Powell moved to approve the May minutes as distributed; seconded by Julia Brown. Motion passed unanimously will accept the minutes as annotated and distributed to the Board

June Agenda_Item XI should read Legislative Regulatory and City Update. Chad Reese, CSE will provide a solar thermal presentation for July’s meeting and John Bumgarner will work on bringing in an engineer for that same meeting.

IV. Announcements

Julia Brown stated that there is an article in the Wall Street Journal dated April 25th regarding innovative Cities featuring the City of San Diego on the back page.

John Bumgarner announced his appointment to Chair of the Sustainable Energy Advisory Board.

V. Non-Agenda Public Comment

No public comments

VI. CAP Update

Cody Hooven stated that the City is wrapping up the budget process for fiscal year starting July 1st. She is applying for an energy grant related to the CAP. The City is in the process requesting updated information from SDG&E for the CCA Feasibility Study.

Jay Powell requested a one-sheet list of steps and the benchmarks necessary for the CCA process and information regarding the RFI for “another program.” Cody said that she will work on a schedule.

VII. Regional Energy Generation Discussion

Board discussed the scope and purpose of this item. It is to clarify the impacts of the shutdown of the Aliso Canyon Gas Storage Facility on regional electrical generation capability.

Dinah Willier of SDG&E anticipates having a news conference to notify the public of the outlook for power shortages this summer. Dinah stated that SDG&E has an app and a website for information. John Bumgarner asked that she provide those links to City staff to distribute to the Board and asked that SDG&E include information on the outages at the meeting next month.

Also part of the Regional Energy issue includes the uses of natural gas for not just electrical generation but hot water heating as well. John Bumgarner requested that CSE present programmatic legislative incentives and have the other guests cover technology and advancement of state of the art solar thermal water heating application.

VIII. NEM 2.0 SDG&E Outcomes

John Bumgarner gave a presentation about NEM 2.0 and its impact on the rate payer and what the percentage of saving change would look like. John Bumgarner will look to CalSeia and ask other groups to provide any other clarifications on what consumers are facing.

Standard Operating Procedures Update

Darren Greenhalgh stated that staff made changes on staff roles; other than that everything that Jay Powell had put in is the same. The only other concern was the selection of the Chair this shows it as March 31st in affect the municipal code says you can't action until the 15th of April but it says that the Mayor has to take action by March 31st.

Jay Powell suggested changing the duties of the Chair to read; the Board Chair is designated by the Mayor each year and if not so designated elected by the Board in accordance to the municipal code and to change the role of staff.

Jay Powell moved to adopt the General Operating Procedures with changes presented and including changes to #D Role of Staff and the section on Duties of the Chair to read: The Board Chair is designated by the Mayor each year and if not so designated, elected by the Board in accordance with the municipal code; seconded by Julia Brown. Motion passed 5 in favor 2 abstained.

IX. Working Group Update

Sean Karafin presented a draft discussion of the work plan. There were four priorities with specifics:

- Community Choice Aggregation and/or another program;
- Municipal Energy Strategy;
- Residential and Commercial Energy Conservation Ordinances;
- Other Short Term Priorities; 2016 Combined Priorities.

John Bumgarner requested that the draft be distributed electronically to all Board members and that feedback to the working group be submitted by June 20th through City staff. Julia Brown stated that she would like the work plan to outline when decision points come up; what presentations will be useful to

help the Board evaluate and recommend positions on those decisions; and to clarify what should the work product look like and how should it be delivered.

X. Legislative, Regulatory and City Update

Darren Greenhalgh stated that the general rate case is moving forward. In particular the rate for individually metered streetlights. The City will be presenting testimony in July. He gave a presentation on the reorganization of the Energy Division and discussed the various projects; energy upgrades, on-bill financing, the development of as many projects as possible, intent to seek CDBG grants, and getting ready to issue RFQ to bid out solar projects throughout the City.

XI. New Business

John Bumgarner stated that he will coordinate the solar thermal presentations. Cody will arrange the Epic presentation on local and non-local RECs. The Micro Grid offsite tour will be handled by Julia Brown for July following the meeting. Jay made contact World Business Academy that has done presentations on Micro Grids. Their President/CEO Rinaldo Brutoco has agreed to do a presentation in August.

John Bumgarner asked that everyone think about the 2nd Thursday of each month to meet. He will put this on next month's agenda.

XII. Suggested Guests/Presentations/Tours for Upcoming Meetings

- Regional Energy Generation – July (SDG&E)
- Solar Thermal – July (CSE)
- Presentations on Micro Grids & Offsite Tour - August (CSE) (UCSD)
- EPIC presentation local and non-local REC's – July meeting.

XIII. Adjourn

John Bumgarner adjourned the meeting at 12:10 P.M.

Note: An audio recording of this meeting is available upon request.