

City of San Diego
Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB)
March 9, 2017
Meeting No. 129

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Bumgarner (Chair) – Solar Industry	Andrew McKercher – Labor Organization
Hanna Grene - CSE (Regional Energy)	Jay Powell – Environmental Advocate
Sean Karafin – At Large Member	Eddie Price – At Large Member Alternate #1
Douglas Kot (Vice Chair) – Building Industry	Eric Scheidlinger – At Large Alternate #2

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jason Anderson – Business Community	Julia Brown – At Large Member
Tom Brill – SDG&E	

I. Call to Order

John Bumgarner called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M.

II. Introductions - Public introductions.

III. Approval of Agenda and Adoption of the Minutes [Action]

John Bumgarner decided to add a membership disclosure section to the agenda for next month's agenda. Jay Powell moved to accept the minutes as distributed; seconded by Andrew McKercher. Motion passed 4-0-2, Doug Kot and Hanna Grene abstained.

IV. Announcements

Andrew McKercher stated that the Tule Wind Energy Project in McCain Valley has started.

V. Non-Agenda Public Comment – None

VI. CAP Update

Cody Hooven stated that business as usual not a whole lot to report on. All initiatives are moving forward. Last Friday was a CleanTech event that Tom Steyer and other business leaders attended. It's budget season and they're working on all the aspects of the budgeting with the budget cuts so it's a little tricky. They are expecting a draft report on the CCA this month then it will go through third party review so it's still on track to come to the board this summer. Doug Kot asked when will Cody desire input from the board regarding Energy Conservation Ordinance Cody responded soon. John Bumgarner suggested that there be a meeting with the working group and staff before the next meeting. Doug Kot will arrange and lead that meeting.

VII. Municipal Energy Strategy

Eric Scheidlinger provided a copy of changes that were discussed at the last meeting regarding the Municipal Energy Strategy. It was sent to board members for additional comments. The working group met to incorporate the changes. Eric Scheidlinger moved to approve the recommendation of the SEAB on the Municipal Energy Strategy content as revision number six dated 3/2/17 – second by Jay Powell. Passed unanimously. Hanna Grene requested that a final copy with the title changes and track changes be distributed to the group. There was a discussion on transmitting the recommendations beyond Jack

Clark. Jack stated that they could reference the recommendations by the SEAB through the draft of the development and add it as an attachment.

VIII. Legislative, Regulatory and City Update & Conflicts of Interest – Fritz Ortlieb

Fritz Ortlieb stated that the briefs have been submitted for the General Rate Case that will affect the time of use periods and there will be a decision on that around May. He wanted to call the board's attention to the Public Resource Code Section 25.4021 (h2) requires bindings to be made by the City Council on the Energy Conservation Ordinance. Time needs to be budgeted for an application to the Energy Commission to adopt standards that are different then Title 24.

Jack Clark stated that he will give a more robust City update next month. He talked about solar deployment that staff will be working on over the next 12 to 18 months and what the board can do to support the City efforts towards sustainable energy with the board's goals; he talked about the Energy & Sustainability Division roles and other projects that they are working on.

There was further discussion on what the board would like to recommend and present to City Council regarding sufficient resources including staff, contractual funding, and/or consultants regarding the Municipal Energy Strategy, Energy Conservation Ordinance, and the proposal for CCA or another program. Jack Clark suggested that the board write a letter similar to the one that was presented in mid "2014." Hanna Grene stated that there are three priorities for the board and that large City departments should make sure that they are appropriately resourced to meet the goals that the City has already set for itself. John Bumgarner proposed to create a working group to include Sean Karafin. John will write a letter and have two board members that are on the working group comment. Doug will be a counterpoint to agree look over the draft & agree to send something via email.

Cody Hooven stated that all departments were asked to reduced their budget by 3%. Release of the proposed FY18 budget will be April 14th. Eddie Priced mentioned the economic benefits and asked that some benefits come back to the energy area. Jack Clark stated that there is a line in the Municipal Energy Strategy under #2 "B" V that states "Research alternative findings and solutions including establishment of an energy trust fund." There is a tie back to Municipal Energy Strategy recommendations in developing a similar type of fund. Jay Powell suggested to that the Chair put together a letter that references the MES as an attachment.

Doug Kot stated that there has been some media coverage on the role of SDG&E as it relates to Community Choice Aggregation and legislative including lobbying activity, he also mentioned that the board needs to be aware and may want to tackle that issue.

IX. Suggested Guests/Presentations/Tours for Upcoming Meetings

Energy Conservation Ordinance – April – Doug Kot

Municipal Code update – May - Aaron Lu

FY2018 Work Plan – July

- Workforce Development from Strategy to Implementation Discussion
- Annual Environment Committee Presentation Direction
- Solar Finance Options

Membership discussion – All terming board members will continue their membership.

X. New Business

World Member Council will have an event on April 14, 2017; focusing on matrix and measures as it relates to the Climate Action specifically energy, water and waste. Eddie Price requested that Doug email the information.

Jay Powell asked if the implementation of solar for next year was in the budget. Jack Clark responded that the solar will be provided through PPAs. The approach the City is taking is to engage in PPAs rather than purchasing and providing their own facility solar on the buildings.

Adjourn: John Bumgarner adjourned the meeting at 11:47 P.M.

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