# SAN DIEGO REGIONAL COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

La Mesa Council Chambers 8130 Allison Avenue La Mesa. CA 91942

## **MINUTES**

October 31, 2019

The Board minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the Board Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

#### 1. Welcome and Oath of Office

City Clerk Wiegelman called the Board meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

City Clerk Wiegelman administered the Oath of Office to Boardmembers Baber, Montgomery, Mosca, Padilla, and West and alternate Boardmembers Blakespear, Campbell, and Humora.

#### 2. Board Roll Call

PRESENT: Boardmember Baber, Boardmember Montgomery, Boardmember Mosca,

Boardmember Padilla, and Boardmember West

Also Present: Alternate Boardmember Blakespear, Alternate Boardmember Campbell,

Alternate Boardmember Humora, Alternate Boardmember McCann, Director/Chief Sustainability Officer Hooven, La Mesa City Clerk Wiegelman

# 3. Introduction of SDRCCEA Interim Implementation Team

Cody Hooven, Director/Chief Sustainability Officer, introduced the staff members of the San Diego Regional Community Choice Energy Authority (SDRCCEA) Interim Implementation Team.

#### 4. Public Comment For Items Not on the Agenda

Matthew Vasilakis, Climate Action Campaign, congratulated the Board on its inaugural meeting and stated Climate Action Campaign was looking forward to working with the Board to develop policy that would build towards an inclusive one hundred percent clean energy future.

Nate Fairman, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union 465, spoke on San Diego Gas & Electric's (SDG&E) relationship with IBEW members and expressed opposition to the municipalization and criticism of SDG&E.

Gretchen Newsom, IBEW Local Union 569, congratulated the Board on its inaugural meeting and spoke on the concerns IBEW Local Union 569 had with the Joint Powers Authority Agreement.

Carolyn Scofield, Chula Vista Partners in Courage, congratulated the Board on its inaugural meeting and thanked the Board for its efforts in bringing clean energy to the community.

Rita Clement, San Diego 350, spoke in support of a just transition to a fossil-fuel-free environment and thanked the Board for its efforts in bringing clean energy to the community.

Joyce Lane, San Diego 350, congratulated the Board on its inaugural meeting and stated San Diego 350 was looking forward to working with the Board in the development of the Community Choice Energy Program.

Josh Brock, CalPine Energy Solutions, congratulated the Board on its inaugural meeting and stated CalPine Energy Solutions was looking forward to working with the Board in the development of the Community Choice Energy Program.

Lane Sharman, San Diego Energy District, offered the assistance of San Diego Energy District in helping make the San Diego Regional Community Choice Energy Program a success and announced that webinars providing information on what it takes to run a local power company would be held on November 13, 2019 and November 20, 2019.

Eddie Price, Grid Alternatives, spoke regarding the inclusion of communities of concern in the development process of the Community Choice Energy Program.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

There were no consent agenda items.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 5. Election of Interim Chair

<u>ACTION</u>: Motioned by Boardmember Baber and seconded by Boardmember West to approve the appointment of Boardmember Mosca as Interim Chair of the San Diego Regional Community Choice Energy Authority Board of Directors. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Boardmember Baber, Boardmember Montgomery, Boardmember Mosca,

Boardmember Padilla, and Boardmember West

No: None Abstained: None Absent: None

#### 6. Approval of Interim Executive Officer

<u>ACTION</u>: Motioned by Boardmember Baber and seconded by Boardmember Padilla to approve the appointment of Cody Hooven as Interim Executive Officer of the San Diego Regional Community Choice Energy Authority. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 5-0

Yes: Boardmember Baber, Boardmember Montgomery, Boardmember Mosca,

Boardmember Padilla, and Boardmember West

No: None Abstained: None Absent: None

## 7. SDRCCEA Operations and Administration – Report and Discussion

Interim Executive Officer Hooven provided an overview of the Board's roles and responsibilities, plans for interim staff support, SDG&E's billing system, outstanding and upcoming vendor requests for proposals, the financing plan of the SDRCCEA, the Joint Powers Agreement amendment process, the structure and formation process of the Community Advisory Committee, the November 16th SDRCCEA Board of Directors workshop, the SDRCCEA website, and current and future opportunities for public outreach and communications.

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

## 8. SDRCCEA Formation Timeline and Implementation Budget

Interim Executive Officer Hooven provided an overview of the SDRCCEA formation timeline for the period of October 2019 through March 2021 and the SDRCCEA implementation budget that covered the twenty-four-month start-up and enrollment period in 2020-2021.

Board questions and comments ensued.

<u>ACTION</u>: Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board on formation of an Ad Hoc Subcommittee comprising of Boardmember Montgomery and Boardmember Padilla for the purpose of providing direction in the hiring process for the SDRCCEA's general counsel and other legal support.

#### 9. SDRCCEA Implementation Plan – Overview and Discussion

Interim Executive Director Hooven introduced Shawn Marshall, Executive Director, Lean Energy US, who provided information on the type of legal services the SDRCCEA would need to acquire. Shawn Marshall, Executive Director, Lean Energy US, explained the purpose of the Implementation plan and reviewed the six elements of the Implementation Plan: the energy supply mix targets (establishing a floor for renewable and greenhouse gas free content), anticipated customer phasing schedule, power service offerings, description of the rate and pricing strategy, description of the SDRCCEA organizational structure, and a projected 10-year pro forma budget. Shawn Marshall, Executive Director, Lean Energy US, requested Board input on the six elements of the Implementation Plan.

Board questions and comments ensued.

Gretchen Newsom, IBEW Local Union 569, spoke regarding the impact procurement would have on job creation.

Lane Sharman, San Diego Energy District, spoke regarding energy supply mix targets, hydro energy, and consolidating commercial rates.

Board questions and comments continued.

Mark Fulmer, Principal, MRW & Associates, stated that most, if not all, Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs had mirrored the tariffs of their local utility company when first getting off the ground. Mark Fulmer, Principal, MRW & Associates, explained the purpose of having the rates included in the Implementation Plan and that the Board will set the actual rates at a future meeting. Mark Fulmer, Principal, MRW & Associates, described the reasoning behind the customer phasing schedule and stated the CCA is required to provide direct comparisons of the CCA program rates to the rates of the incumbent utilities.

<u>ACTION</u>: Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the customer phasing schedule was the appropriate implementation model.

Shawn Marshall, Executive Director, Lean Energy US, explained that the Board would have the ability to amend the customer phasing schedule in the future if needed.

Board questions and comments ensued.

Interim Executive Officer Hooven said the energy supply would have a renewable content and greenhouse gas free content and the recommended initial default energy supply was 50% renewable and 75% greenhouse gas free. Interim Executive Officer Hooven stated the Board had the authority to set the number of power service offerings but recommended beginning with two offerings and increasing the number of offerings in the future if feasible.

<u>ACTION</u>: Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to direct staff to write the Implementation Plan with broad flexibility, to begin with two power service offerings with the option to increase to three upon approval of the Board, and to have the initial default energy supply service set at 50% renewable and 75% greenhouse gas free adding a range if possible and with a second voluntary option of 100% renewable.

Carolyn Scofield, Chula Vista Partners in Courage, spoke regarding power service options for residents.

# 10. Discussion of Regular Meeting Location, Time and Schedule

Interim Executive Officer Hooven stated the regular meeting location, time and schedule would be approved at a future meeting by resolution. Interim Executive Officer Hooven requested input from the Board on for the location, time, and day for future SDRCCEA Board of Director meetings.

Board questions and comments ensued.

<u>ACTION</u>: Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to hold the regularly scheduled SDRCCEA Board of Directors meetings in the City of San Diego and possibly have the meetings rotate between daytime and evening.

#### 11. Board Member and Staff Announcements

Interim Executive Officer Hooven announced that the SDRCCEA Board of Directors workshop would be held on Saturday, November 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Imperial Beach, and the next two regular meetings of the SDRCCEA Board of Directors would be held on Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in Chula Vista and Monday, December 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in Encinitas.

# 12. Adjournment

Interim Chair Mosca adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Megan Wiegelman, CMC City Clerk, City of La Mesa