

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY & CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Principles of Participation

June 25, 2009

#### **Mission**

To develop a City of San Diego Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy and a list of recommended projects and priorities to fully utilize the City's \$12.5 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants for consideration by the Mayor and City Council.

#### **Role of the Committee**

To accomplish the Committee's mission, it is important for the committee members to understand:

- The City's current energy status and projects which are currently underway.
- The requirements, limitations, processes and timelines of the EECBG.
- The City's adopted energy priorities and policies.
- The process for reviewing and screening project proposals.

#### **Member Roles**

To contribute to the accomplishment of the Committee's mission, the role of each committee member will include:

- Devote sufficient time to review all material and participate in all committee meetings and public hearings.
- Become familiar with current and projected energy issues, opportunities and technologies.
- Become familiar with the City's current and projected energy conservation and management programs.
- Review, evaluate, screen and rank energy efficiency and conservation project proposals to develop a list of proposed projects to fully utilize the City's \$11 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block grant for consideration by the Mayor and City Council.
- Provide recommendations for the development of a long-term City of San Diego Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy.

### **Member Participation**

Committee members were selected based on several qualities:

- Willingness to work cooperatively
- No conflict of interest
- Ability to provide and/or consider the perspective of a diverse range of stakeholders.
- Willingness to listen courteously to other points of view.
- Willingness to participate in a concentrated process requiring attendance at scheduled meetings and public hearings.

### **Discussion Process**

To facilitate the large amount of work anticipated to be accomplished within a limited time, the following process will be utilized:

- All perspectives are valued.
- One person speaks at a time.
- Collaborative problem solving is the desired process.
- If a consensus is not achieved, alternatives will be documented.
- Members will treat each other with courtesy and respect.
- A facilitator will be used to lead the discussions. A representative of the Mayor and Councilmember Frye will co-chair the committee.
- Time is critical, so the committee will focus solely on matters related to the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant process.

### **Meetings**

Meetings and public hearing dates will be established at the initial committee meeting.

All committee meetings, hearings and business must be completed for presentation at the July 22, 2009 meeting of the Natural Resources and Culture Committee.