**Recommended Changes to Municipal Code Adopted by SEAB on May 14, 2015 as**

**Recommended by SEAB Task Group on May 8, 2015 and City staff recommendations.**

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**Article 6: Board and Commissions**

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**Sustainable Energy Advisory Board**

(a) Purpose and Intent

It is the purpose and intent of the City Council to establish a Sustainable Energy Advisory Board to serve as an advisory body to the Mayor and City Council on energy policy and future energy needs for the metropolitan San Diego area and to assist the City's attainment of its energy independence and renewable energy goals.

(b) Sustainable Energy Advisory Board Established

There is hereby established a Sustainable Energy Advisory Board consisting of nine regular members and two alternate members who shall serve without compensation. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council. In making appointments, the Mayor may consider recommendations made by members of the Council and shall include seven designated members, two regular at-large members, and two at-large alternate members. The seven designated members shall be appointed from the following representative areas of organizational interest, expertise, and background:

(1) Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE)

(2) San Diego Gas & Electric Company

(3) Environmental Advocate

(4) Labor Organization

(5) Solar Power System Manufacturer or Installer

(6) Building Industry

(7) Cleantech San Diego

The alternate members shall be designated numbers one and two and shall attend meetings like regular members. In the event any regular member is absent from a meeting where a vote on any advisory recommendation is taken, the alternate(s) shall vote in place of the absentee(s) in the order of alternate designation.

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Residency in the City of San Diego shall not be a condition for appointment to the Board. The members shall serve two-year terms and each member shall serve until a successor is duly appointed and confirmed. Members shall serve a maximum of eight consecutive years. A seat vacated by a Board member from a designated area of representation shall be filled by appointment of a new member from the same designated area of representation. The members shall be appointed in such manner that the terms of not more than six of the eleven total appointed members including alternates shall expire in any year.

The expiration date of all terms shall be March 1. During March of each year, the Mayor may designate one regular member as chairman; however, in the absence of such designation, the Board shall, on or after April 1 select a chairman from its regular members. The Board shall adopt rules, regulations, and organizational structure as it deems necessary, consistent with law, for the conduct of its business. The Board shall meet not less than once every six months.

(c) Duties and Functions

The Sustainable Energy Advisory Board shall:

(1) Advise the City Council and the Mayor on energy policy and be responsible for recommending future energy guidelines to accomplish the goals set forth by the City Council regarding energy independence, reliability, resilience and efficiencyin accord with the San Diego Regional Energy Strategy” adopted by the San Diego Association of Governments [SANDAG] and to accomplish the goals set forth in the City’s Climate Action Plan.

(2) Advise on the best and most economically effective methods for the to achieve energy targets specified in the City Climate Action Plan through renewable-fueled electric generating capacity and energy efficiency measures in public and private facilities.

(3) Advise how the City can remove barriers to the development of renewable energy facilities for public and private facilities in the San Diego region.

(4) Advise on how the City can provide incentives for the development of renewable energy resources.

(5) Coordinate with City staff to develop innovative mechanisms for financing renewable energy resources.

(6) Become aware of and develop competence in energy issues and be broadly representative of the community interests.

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(7) Seek participation by regional business and political leaders and public interest groups and other stakeholders in energy issues.

(8) Coordinate energy planning activities with the City Deputy Director of the Sustainability Department.

(9) Perform such other studies as may be specifically requested by the Mayor and Council and provide information and advise thereon.

(10) Report progress at a meeting of the Committee on the Environment and to the Mayor on a semiannual basis to be scheduled through the Committee Chairperson as part of the adoption of the Committee annual work plan.