

**Clean Energy Alliance – Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2021, 2 p.m.
City of Carlsbad City Hall
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, CA 92008
Teleconference Locations per State of California Executive Order N-29-20**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Becker called to order the special meeting of the Clean Energy Alliance at 2:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Board Member Druker, Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, Chair Becker

FLAG SALUTE: Vice Chair Bhat-Patel led the flag salute.

BOARD COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chair Becker commented that CEA has executed initial contracts for the purchase of energy from 2021-2025; and Board Member Druker commented that he may be unavailable for the next Board meeting and Alternate Member Worden indicated his availability.

PRESENTATIONS: Report of March 11, 2021, CEA Community Advisory Committee Meeting, by Chair Worden

Community Advisory Committee Chair Worden reported on the meeting of March 11, 2021, commenting time was spent ensuring that the CAC members understand what the CEA product offerings and how the rates work; the best and ongoing role of the CAC; identifying key organizations in each community for outreach efforts; monitoring social media in each community for misinformation and reporting to CEO for correction; and the possibility of Virtual Town Hall meetings in each community.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 18, 2021

Minutes of the Special Meeting held March 4, 2021

Minutes of the Special Meeting held March 16, 2021

Motion by Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 18, 2021, and the special meetings held March 4, 2021 and March 16, 2021, as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

Consent Calendar

Item 1: Clean Energy Alliance Treasurer's Report

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file Clean Energy Alliance Interim Treasurer's Report.

Item 2: Clean Energy Alliance Interim Chief Executive Officer Administrative, Operational and Regulatory Affairs Update

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Receive and file Clean Energy Alliance Interim Chief Executive Officer Administrative and Operational Update.
- 2) Receive and file Clean Energy Alliance Special Counsel Regulatory Affairs Update.

Chair Becker commented on the important aspects of the work being done and asked that regulatory matters be highlighted.

Special Regulatory Counsel Ty Tosdal commented regarding the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) undertaking of a new Net Energy Metering (NEM) proceeding to determine rates and stated that the action of the CPUC regarding NEM will have no effect on Community Choice customers; the Board has the authority to set separate rate schedule for NEM.

Solana Beach Council Member Zito inquired regarding NEM applying only to generation cost with no CCA NEM ramification with respect to transmission cost which SDG&E continues to own. Mr. Tosdal stated that in theory NEM should only apply to generation cost, CPUC is looking at whether party proposals for the proceeding would expose CCA customers to any kind of transmission distribution and that the proposals are being scrutinized for that element. Council Member Zito inquired and Special Counsel Tosdal confirmed that solar customers enrolled prior to November PUC decision would be under existing program.

Chair Becker inquired regarding Time-of-Use rates and Interim CEO Barbara Boswell indicated that CEA customers will remain on whatever rate schedule they are on as a SDG&E bundled customer when enrolling in CEA and the CEA rates would be in effect.

Special Counsel Tosdal commented on the CPUC Emergency Reliability Proposed Decision to order utilities to purchase additional power and increase planning reserve margins and indicated that CCA programs would be responsible for their share of the procurement; that SDG&E in the process of eliminating the seasonal variation in its rate classes; and the CPUC study regarding rate affordability over time indicating that SDG&E rates have increased 48% since 2013 and since 2016 rate base has been increasing an average of 7% despite relatively flat growth in demand.

Interim CEO Barbara Boswell commented that CEA is within 60 days of launch and that the first round of notices have been distributed and that the call center is up and running; the next notices will be distributed first week in April; commented on outreach efforts; and SB-612 targeted to community choice aggregation customers and would address the current significant exit fees and programs not receiving benefit of any related energy; this bill would allocate renewable sources back to CCAs and is consistent with CEA's Legislative Policy Platform; and commented that SDG&E's Envision Program is scheduled to go live on April 4.

Item 3: Adopt Resolution Amending Clean Energy Alliance Bylaws Related to Establishing Time and Place of Board Meetings

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 2021-009 amending Clean Energy Alliance Bylaws related to establishing time and place of board meetings.

Item 4: Approve Terms and Conditions for Clean Energy Alliance Renewable Energy Self-Generation Bill Credit Transfer Program

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Terms and Conditions for Renewable Energy Self-Generation Bill Credit Transfer Program.

Item 5: Approve Clean Impact Plus as Product Name for 50% Renewable/75% Carbon Free Power Supply

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Clean Impact Plus as Product Name for 50% Renewable/75% Carbon Free Power Supply.

Motion by Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve the Items 1,3,4, and 5 on the Consent Calendar, pulling Item 2 for comment and inquiry.

Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

Motion by Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve Item 2 on the Consent Calendar.

Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

New Business

Item 6: Receive Presentation and Provide Direction Regarding Consideration of Joining California Community Power Joint Powers Authority for Purposes of Joint Procurement

RECOMMENDATION

Receive report on California Community Power Joint Powers Authority and provide direction regarding joining California Community Power JPA for purposes of joint procurement.

Interim CEO Barbara Boswell presented the item highlighting the benefits of joining, membership and management, withdrawal, and debts and obligations. Ms. Boswell introduced Girish Balachandran of Silicon Valley Clean Energy who addressed the Board regarding current membership and interest of the CEA to join. Mr. Balachandran responded to questions of Chair Becker and Board Member Druker regarding meeting times and dates, administrative fees, current membership numbers, and budget.

CEA received report and directed staff to continue to explore and gather information for purposes of consideration of joining the California Community Power Joint Powers Authority.

Item 7: Clean Energy Alliance Community Choice Aggregation Update on Member Agency Default Power Supply Selections and Phasing of Net Energy Metering Customers

RECOMMENDATION

Receive report on community choice aggregation update on member agency default power supply selections and phasing of Net Energy Metering customers.

Interim CEO Barbara Boswell gave the update on the default power supply selections stating all Member Agencies selected the Clean Impact Plus as the Default Power Supply and commented regarding NEM customer phasing and the impact of cost dependent on enrollment date and the PCIA Vintage.

CEA received report.

Item 8: Approval of Agreement with San Diego Gas & Electric for the Procurement of Long-Term Renewable Power Supply

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Interim Chief Executive Officer to execute a power purchase agreement with San Diego Gas & Electric for the procurement of Long-Term Renewable Power Supply, pursuant to Energy Risk Management Policy and subject to Special Transactions Counsel approval.

Interim CEO Barbara Boswell indicated that anticipated information to adequately present the item had not yet been received and the item will be returned at a later date.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

ADJOURN: Chair Becker adjourned the meeting at 2:59 p.m.

Susan Caputo

**Susan Caputo, MMC
Interim Board Clerk**