

**Clean Energy Alliance - Board of Directors
Special Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2021, 1:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting
Teleconference Locations Per Government Code Section 54953(3) (Assembly Bill 361)**

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Becker called to order the special meeting of the Clean Energy Alliance at 1:00 p.m.

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

FLAG SALUTE: Chair Becker led the flag salute.

BOARD COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS PRESENTATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Consent Calendar

Item 1: Reconsideration of the Circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency to Determine Whether the Legislative Bodies of Clean Energy Alliance will Continue to Hold Meetings Via Teleconferencing and Making Findings Pursuant to Government Code Section 54943(e)

RECOMMENDATION

Continue meetings by teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54943(e), finding that: (1) the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic; and (2) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.

Item 2: Consideration of Clean Energy Alliance December 17, 2021, Special Meeting for the Purpose of Considering the City of San Marcos Joining Clean Energy Alliance

RECOMMENDATION

Approve December 17, 2021, special meeting for the purpose of considering the City of San Marcos joining Clean Energy Alliance.

Motion by Board Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

New Business

Item 3: Adopt Resolution No. 2021-014 Authorizing the City of Escondido to Become a Party to the Joint Powers Agreement and a Member of the Clean Energy Alliance

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2021-014 Authorizing the City of Escondido to Become a Party to the Joint Powers Agreement and a Member of the Clean Energy Alliance.
- 2) Direct staff to prepare an Implementation Plan Amendment reflecting a City of Escondido Launch in 2023 and return to the Board for approval no later than the December 30, 2021, Board Meeting.
- 3) Direct staff to include the City of San Marcos in the Implementation Plan Amendment contingent on the City of San Marcos adopting an ordinance establishing a community choice aggregation through Clean Energy Alliance.

CEO Barbara Boswell presented the item commenting that the City of Escondido has been evaluating CCE options for several years and On October 27, 2021, adopted a resolution to join CEA and on November 17, 2021, adopted an ordinance establishing a CCA program.

John Dalessi of Pacific Energy Advisors presented the assessment of the Escondido customer information analysis indicating the expansion would represent an approximate 85% increase in energy sales and that San Marcos would represent an approximate 52% increase and commented that the earliest start date could be January 2023, with April 2023 being the most advantageous. Mr. Dalessi gave an overview of the Fiscal Impact Summary for service to Escondido and San Marcos and concluded an overall positive fiscal impact under base case assumptions.

Board Member Druker inquired regarding additional staffing needs and regarding the method fees are paid to the buyers of the power supply.

CEO Boswell commented that a budget increase to accommodate staffing needs will take place although no specific positions have been identified yet and the Board will discuss staffing plan in early 2022 that will address the need for the upcoming fiscal year.

Mr. Dalessi responded regarding buyer fees commenting that power supply cost is per megawatt-hour (MWh) and there is no markup and Ms. Boswell clarified that CEA has contracted with Pacific Energy Advisors and with a flat fee and no differentiation for additional customers and/or load.

Chair Becker expressed her pleasure at the expansion efforts and experiencing them come to fruition.

**Motion by Board Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-014 authorizing the City of Escondido to become a party to the Joint Powers Agreement and a member of the Clean Energy Alliance; direct staff to prepare an Implementation Plan Amendment reflecting a City of Escondido Launch in 2023 and return to the Board for approval no later than the December 30, 2021, Board Meeting; direct staff to include the City of San Marcos in the Implementation Plan Amendment contingent on the City of San Marcos adopting an ordinance establishing a community choice aggregation through Clean Energy Alliance.
Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.**

Due to technical issues earlier in the meeting General Counsel Lindsay Thorson recommended that the Board revisit the motion and vote of the consent calendar.

Motion by Board Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Vice Chair Bhat-Patel proposed that consideration of formal opposition of the changes to the Net Energy Metering (NEM) program that the CPUC will considered in December, be placed on the December 17 Special meeting agenda.

Motion by Board Member Druker, second by Vice Chair Bhat-Patel, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

ADJOURN: Chair Becker adjourned the meeting at 1:38 pm.

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