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Community Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, June 15, 2020

7:00pm

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C1. Welcome & Roll Call

Present: Members: Eldred, Landry, Pacheco, Thomas and Vice-Chair Franch

Excused: Members: O'Connell, Padilla, Chair Sutter

C2. Public Comment

This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Board on any EBCE-related matters that are not otherwise on this meeting agenda. Public comments on matters listed on the agenda shall be heard at the time the matter is called. As with all public comment, members of the public who wish to address the Board are customarily limited to three minutes per speaker and must complete an electronic [speaker slip](#). The Board Chair may increase or decrease the time allotted to each speaker.

Jessica Tovar - Spoke in support of prioritizing equity and community choice in Local Development program development. Jessica Tovar also spoke in support of the adoption of hiring practices that provide increased employment opportunities to members of local and traditionally excluded communities.

Ceyda Durmaz Dogan - Updated the CAC about the response from other CCAs to PGE's nuclear allocation offer.

Audrey Ichinose - Spoke in support of limiting EBCE personnel compensation packages in light of current economic conditions.

C3. Approval of Minutes from May 18, 2020 (5 minutes)

Member Eldred motioned to approve the minutes. Member Pacheco seconded the motion which passed 5/0; Excused: Members O'Connell, Padilla and Chair Sutter.

C4. CAC Chair Report (5 minutes)

Vice-Chair Franch announced that elections for Chair and Vice-Chair will be held at the July 13, 2020 CAC meeting. Vice-Chair Franch encouraged Members to participate.

Member Landry requested clarification about whether the April 20, 2020 PG&E Carbon-Free Allocations vote has a time limit.

C5. Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget (40 minutes, CAC Action Item)

Staff will provide the CAC with information about any changes to the 2020-2021 budget since presented in May. The CAC will advise the board on the budget.

The Committee discussed:

- Possibilities for local agencies or municipalities to fund the California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (CALeVIP) program.
- Information about CALeVIP related job opportunities in local communities.
- Impact of PCIA on revenues and solvency.
- Options for potential sale of nuclear allocation.

Audrey Ichinose - Spoke in support of supplementing Local Development funds and asked for clarification about CALeVIP program funding needs after four years. Audrey Ichinose also spoke in support of limiting personnel compensation and salaries in consideration of current economic conditions.

Jessica Tovar - Spoke in support of using reserves to fund additional Local Development programs. Jessica Tovar also spoke in favor of eliminating Brilliant 100 and reducing the Bright Choice discount.

Ceyda Durmaz Dogan - Requested clarification about risk mitigation strategies related to the potential sale of the nuclear allocation. Ceyda Durmaz Dogan also recommended that EBCE join with other CCAs to fight the PCIA.

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Member Eldred motioned to support:

- A. the phase out of Brilliant 100;
 - B. Bright Choice discount rate of 0.5%;
 - C. Recommended to include an equity impact analysis in the allocation of CALeVIP funds ; and Recommend that a nuclear option is not considered
- Member Thomas seconded the motion, which passed 5/0; Excused: Members O’Connell, Padilla and Chair Sutter.

Member Landry motioned to recommend that the board seek an additional \$1-2M of funding allocation for the LDBP to increase equity in the program, Member Eldred seconded the motion, which passed 5/0; Excused: Members O’Connell, Padilla and Chair Sutter.

- C6. Update on 2020 Integrated Resource Plan (30 minutes, CAC Informational Item)
Staff will provide the CAC with information about the IRP so the CAC is aware of the current analysis. This is an informational item for the board as well.

The Committee discussed:

- Impact of IRP on Local Development Plan.
- Reduction of Bright Choice Discount and the IRP analysis

Jessica Tovar - Spoke in opposition to initiatives that chip away at Community Choice autonomy. Jessica Tovar spoke in support of working with EBCE to oppose policies that come from investor-owned utilities.

Audrey Ichinose - Requested clarification about the decision-making process that was used to calculate the optimal energy mix.

- C7. Extension of Temporary Revision to Terms and Conditions Section “Failure to Pay” and Temporary Suspension of Delinquent Accounts and Collections Policy (25 minutes, CAC Action Item)

The board is being asked to extend the suspension of related policies for another 90 days. Staff will provide the CAC with information about the suspensions and be available to answer questions from the CAC. The CAC will advise the board on the extension.

Blair Beekman - Spoke in support of alternative uses of funds made available through the Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions Act (HEROES Act).

Member Laundry motioned to approve the extension of temporary revision to terms and conditions section “Failure to Pay” and temporary suspension of delinquent accounts and collection policy. Member Eldred seconded the motion which carried 5/0; Excused: Members O’Connell, Padilla and Chair Sutter.

C8. EBCE Resilience Program (15 minutes, CAC Informational Item)

Staff will provide the CAC with information about the proposed agreements between EBCE and two companies for load modifications. This is an action item for the board, but is being presented to the CAC for informational purposes only so the CAC is aware of these potential future agreements

The Committee discussed:

- Process for low-income and multi-family residences to be considered for solar plus storage program.
- Criteria that limits resiliency program reach to 20% implementation in low-income communities.
- Definition of “reasonable effort” with regards to finding local labor.
- Synergies between energy efficiency and solar plus storage programs.

Jessica Tovar - Spoke in support of expanding the reach of the resilience program both with regards to inclusion of vulnerable communities and local hiring targets.

Audrey Ichinose - Spoke in support of targeting vulnerable and African American populations in the resilience program. Audrey Ichinose also spoke in support of using subsidies rather than incentives to increase the impact of local development programs in low-income communities.

Blair Beekman - Spoke in opposition to the use of smart meters in the resiliency program.

Member Pacheco motioned to request municipalities to take all available actions to increase participation of low-income communities. Vice-Chair Franch seconded the motion which carried 5/0; Excused: Members O’Connell, Padilla and Chair Sutter.

C9. CAC Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future CAC agendas

Staff informed the CAC that the Wednesday, June 17 Board meeting will commence at 5pm.

Member Thomas announced that it was her end of term. Vice-Chair Franch thanked Member Thomas for her service and participation.

C10. Adjourned