



Community Advisory Committee Meeting

**\*Draft Minutes\***

Monday, December 14, 2020

6:00pm

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**C1. Welcome & Roll Call**

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

**C2. Public Comment**

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Aleta Dupre spoke regarding EBCE's load and the importance of removing fossil fuels, developing local electrified technology, and investing in the EBCE service area. Aleta Dupre also spoke in support of curtailing the overproduction of solar power until the

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appropriate storage and transmission infrastructure is in place.

**C3. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2020 (5 minutes)**

Member Eldred motioned to approve the November 16, 2020 minutes. Vice-Chair Franch seconded the motion which passed 5/0. Excused: Member Landry.

**C4. CAC Chair Report (5 minutes)**

Chair Sutter spoke regarding plans to include additional public records, such as public comments and CAC annotated notes, on the EBCE website. Chair Sutter also informed the CAC that a new set of Covid-19 grants have been issued and asked that members review the grant recipient list. The Chair also informed members that the CAC application period opens on December 16, 2020 and will run until February 15.

**C5. Metrics Initiative - Data from the EBCE CRM (30 minutes, CAC Informational Item)**

Staff will describe the current plan to use data from the EBCE Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system for metrics.

The Committee Discussed:

- Other CCA metric platforms
- Methods for recording data
- Ability to configure and customize platform for agency needs

**C6. Integrated Resource Plan Results (35 minutes, CAC Action Item)**

Staff will describe the IRP analysis and a potential clean energy goal based on that analysis. The CAC will provide advice to the board around the possible goal.

The Committee Discussed:

- IRP structure
- Energy Costs
- Affordability of scenarios
- Public outreach and input

Aleta Dupree spoke in support of a 100% renewable scenario while maintaining affordability.

Barbara Stebbins spoke in support of prioritizing equity, resiliency and local development over rapid decarbonization.

Member Landry motioned to adopt Option 4 and secondarily Option 3 as a back-up, with EBCE reporting back to the BOD and CAC annually. Member Padilla seconded the motion.

Member Eldred requested a friendly amendment to adopt Option 4 and to have a

public engagement process.

Motion maker and seconder accepted the amendment.

Member Landry motioned to adopt Option 4 and secondarily Option 3 as a back-up, with EBCE reporting back to the BOD and CAC annually and having a public engagement process. Member Padilla seconded the motion, which carried 6/0.

**C7. Carbon Free Allocation (40 minutes, CAC Action Item)**

Staff will discuss acceptance of the large hydroelectric generation allocation for 2021 and options for monetizing the nuclear generation.

The Committee Discussed:

- Potential to create distrust with customers
- Staff's responsibility to identify opportunities for the Board to consider
- Dollars vs incremental dollars
- Specifications about the sale of nuclear energy
- Liability if energy is not provided
- The possibility of cost causation risk

Barbara Stebbins spoke regarding EBCPA's opposition to EBCE engaging in nuclear sales, stating that nuclear is a dangerous and dirty form of energy. Barbara Stebbins also stated that the value of nuclear is declining and that selling it to other agencies should not be supported if EBCE does not want it in its portfolio.

Aleta Dupree spoke in support of accepting the hydro allocation because hydro does not produce greenhouse gases at point of generation. Aleta Dupree also spoke in opposition to accepting the nuclear allocation unless the allocation can be passed through without impacting the power content label. Aleta Dupree spoke in support of the BOD's fiduciary responsibility to engage in financial transactions that help EBCE to produce clean and affordable energy for its service area.

Jessica Tovar spoke regarding the Diablo Canyon retrofit. Jessica Tovar also spoke in opposition to accepting the hydro and nuclear allocations, stating that these transactions legitimize the PCIA and subsidize PG&E and Diablo Canyon. Jessica Tovar spoke in support of investing in a clean energy future that creates jobs in the local community.

Audrey Ichinose spoke in opposition to accepting the nuclear allocation, and in opposition to the use of nuclear power by EBCE in any form.

Member Eldred motioned to accept large hydro and reject nuclear energy. Landry seconded the motion, which passed 4/2. Noes: Member Padilla, Chair Sutter

**C8. CAC Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future CAC agendas**

Member Eldred spoke regarding the creation of documents for non-energy experts who are serving on boards for CACs and municipal utilities. Member Eldred will reach out to CAC and BOD for topics.

C9. Adjournment - to Date: Tuesday, January 19, 2020



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**C1. Welcome & Roll Call**

**Present:** Members: Landry, Padilla, Vice-Chair Franch and Chair Sutter.

**Excused:** Members: Eldred and Pacheco

**A quorum was not established. Additionally, this meeting experienced technical difficulties and so there is no recording of the meeting. For these two reasons, there are no minutes.**

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- C3. Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2020 (5 minutes)**
- C4. CAC Chair Report (5 minutes)**
- C5. Local Development Budget Update (45 minutes, CAC Informational Item)**  
Staff will update the CAC on Local Development Programs.
- C6. Updated Financial Reserve Policy (40 minutes, CAC Action Item)**  
Staff will describe the planned amendment to: (i) approve an updated Financial Reserve Policy to simplify the current reserve waterfall and bucket system into a single reserve, and (ii) preserve the fiscal year 2020-21 reserve target equal to the current reserve levels.
- C7. California Community Power Agency Joint Powers Agreement (30 minutes, CAC Informational Item)**  
Staff will describe the California Community Power Agency Joint Powers Agreement that the board is being asked to give the CEO the authorization to execute.
- C8. CAC Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future CAC agendas**
- C9. Adjourned.**