



Draft Minutes

Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, February 26, 2021

12:00 pm

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1. Welcome & Roll Call

Present: Directors: Arriola (Tracy), Lopez (San Leandro), Vice-Chair Kalb (Oakland), Chair Martinez (Emeryville)

Excused: Director Mei (Fremont)

Director Mei joined the meeting at 12:04pm

2. Public Comment

This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Executive Committee 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 Executive Committee are customarily limited to three minutes per speaker. The Executive Committee Chair may increase or decrease the time allotted to each speaker.

There were no public comments.

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Approval of Minutes from January 29, 2021

Vice-Chair Kalb motioned to approve the minutes from January 29, 2021. Chair Martinez seconded the motion which carried 3/0. Excused: Directors Arriola and Mei.

4. California Community Choice Financing Authority Joint Powers Authority (Informational Item)

Receive an update regarding the formation of the California Community Choice Financing Authority to issue municipal bonds for prepay transactions.

The Committee Discussed:

- The differences between the California Community Power Agency JPA and the California Community Choice Financing Authority JPA

5. Legislative Position on SB 612 (Action Item)

Take a “support” position on SB 612 (Portantino).

The Committee Discussed:

- Reasons for opposition to SB 612
- Renewable energy companies’ potential concerns
- Excess resource sell-off considerations
- Bill language completion, and timeline to take a position
- Executive committee authority to take position on legislative matters
- Impact of SB 612 on the PUC and PCIA
- The legislative calendar and timeline for passage
- The draft language of SB 612
- Request to distribute draft language at the March 17, 2021 Board Meeting

Ceyda Durmaz Dogan read a statement on behalf of the California Alliance for Community Energy that spoke in support of taking no position on SB 612. Ceyda Durmaz Dogan spoke in support of not taking a position until the complete language for the bill is available.

Vaughn asked for definitions of terms in the context of the bill.

Director Kalb moved to support the bill as proposed and to report this action to the Board of Directors at the March 17, 2021 meeting. Director Mei seconded the motion which carried 5/0.

6. Legislative Update (Informational Item)

Overview of relevant introduced legislative bills.

The Committee Discussed:

- Interest in clean energy bills that are not directly related to CCAs
- Rationale for position on SB 1139

Vaughn spoke regarding the power resource requirements to build and operate long duration energy storage.

7. Summary of SMUD EnergyHELP (Informational Item)

Summary of program and potential cost to set up similar for EBCE.

The Committee Discussed:

- PG&E power shut-off moratorium extension to June 30, 2021
- Enhancing effectiveness of customer support programs
- Debt-relief program creation

Ceyda Durmaz Dogan spoke regarding the closure of the statewide power shut-off moratorium and the shortcomings of the CPUC's Arrearage Management Program. Ceyda Durmaz Dogan spoke in support of creating a utility debt relief fund, and to partner with non-profits to facilitate customer enrollment into CARE and FERA. Ceyda Durmaz Dogan also spoke in support of automatic enrollment for debt relief programs.

8. Committee Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future Board Agendas

There were no staff announcements.

9. Adjourned at 1:49 pm.