



Executive Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes

Friday, October 1, 2021

12:00 pm

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1. Welcome & Roll Call

Present: Directors: Arriola (Tracy), Vice Chair Lopez (San Leandro), and Chair Martinez (Emeryville)

Excused: Kalb (Oakland), and Director Mei (Fremont)

Director Kalb joined the meeting at 12:07pm.

2. Public Comment

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Audrey Ichinose, on behalf of the East Bay Clean Power Alliance and the California Alliance for Community Energy, called the Board's attention to a letter from San Diego Community Power to Governor Newsome asking him to support a very strong NEM 3.0 rate in the current proceedings. Audrey Ichinose reported that San Jose Community Energy had signed on to the letter and urged EBCE to do the same.

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REGULAR AGENDA

3. Chair Election

Director Kalb motioned to nominate Director Lopez to be Chair of the Executive Committee of EBCE. Director Arriola seconded the motion.

There were no speakers for public comment.

The motion passed 4/0. Excused: Director Mei.

Chair Lopez took over as Chair of the meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes from May 28, 2021 as amended:

Director Martinez motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Director Arriola seconded the motion, which passed 4/0. Excused: Director Mei.

5. Enhancing EBCE Staffing Competitiveness and Resiliency (Informational Item)

Discussion of workforce compensation, long-term flexible work policies and resilience plans.

Blair Beekman, a member of the public, urged EBCE employees to be aware of the many subsidy plans available through EBCE and to make the process accessible and understandable to customers. Blair Beekman stated there could be upcoming natural disaster and local renewable energy procurement is a great preparedness plan.

Audrey Ichinose, on behalf of the East Bay Clean Power Alliance and the California Alliance for Community Energy, said in the future there might be a contradiction between EBCE's commitment to local economy and local job development and the willingness to hire employees who spend most of their time outside Alameda County. Audrey Ichinose stated it might behoove EBCE to delay bringing some jobs in-house, to see what happens after the pandemic and whether EBCE returns to in-person.

6. LMI Electrification Program (Informational Item)

Opportunity to invest \$1M and offer \$400K in incentives to support low to moderate income building electrification in EBCE service area

Blair Beekman, a member of the public, thanked EBCE for this program and stated it sounds interesting.

Ceyda Durmaz Dogan, on behalf of East Bay Clean Energy Alliance stated they have been advocating for solutions such as this that do not exclude low-income communities from the transition to clean energy, and appreciated EBCE's offer of \$400,000 to cover

additional non-energy costs that create a barrier for many low-income people. Ceyda Durmaz Dogan, however, wished the money taken from the LDP program budgets had been included as additional funding instead of becoming part of the \$1M investment.

Jim Lutz, on behalf of the Local Clean Energy Alliance, supported the proposal and asked if there is protection for renters, such as a rent stability agreement or anti-displacement agreement, if their unit is improved. Jim Lutz urged adding a solar and storage option into the program for grid stability issues, and recommended EBCE staff work with City of Oakland staff to coordinate making all existing buildings efficient and all electric by 2040.

The Committee Discussed

- Benefits of the program coming at a time that allows all people to participate.

7. Community Solar Update (Informational Item)

Informational update on EBCE Community Solar programs

Blair Beekman, a member of the public, supported the program.

Jim Lutz, a member of the public, on behalf of the Local Clean Energy Alliance, was disappointed the program does not directly address issues of equity, resilience, or local business development, but acknowledged it would help some customers. Jim Lutz urged EBCE to consider projects that would increase sustainability, resilience, and energy justice while supporting EBCE's rates and local business development plan, but that may not line up with current PUC guidelines. Jim Lutz stated that EBCE and its local governments are in a good position to influence state energy policy.

8. Committee Member and Staff Announcements including requests to place items on future Board Agendas - None.

9. Adjourned at 1:45pm



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3. Update on Regulatory matters of interest to the EBCE

Recommendation: Receive report and provide feedback.

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

Director Kalb confirmed with CEO Chaset that a presentation on emissions intensity of the Bright Choice mix would be presented at the next Board meeting as an informational item.

5. **Adjourned at 12:27 pm to Friday, February 25, 2022 at 12:00 pm.**