



**Silicon Valley Clean Energy  
Board of Directors Meeting**  
Wednesday, October 11, 2017  
7:00 pm

Cupertino Community Hall  
10350 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

Chair Rennie called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

Chair Rob Rennie, Town of Los Gatos  
Alternate Director Steve Schmidt, Town of Los Altos Hills  
Alternate Director Anthony Eulo, City of Morgan Hill  
Director Jim Griffith, City of Sunnyvale  
Director Margaret Abe-Koga, City of Mountain View  
Director Howard Miller, City of Saratoga  
Director Rod Sinks, City of Cupertino  
Director Liz Gibbons, City of Campbell  
Director Dave Cortese, County of Santa Clara (arrived at 7:05 p.m.)

**Absent:**

Vice Chair Daniel Harney, City of Gilroy  
Director Jeannie Bruins, City of Los Altos  
Director Burton Craig, City of Monte Sereno

**Public Comment on Matters Not Listed on the Agenda**

Chair Rennie opened public comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Rennie closed public comment.

**Consent Calendar**

Director Griffith requested to pull Item 1b.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Rennie closed public comment.

MOTION: Director Abe-Koga moved and Director Gibbons seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 1b.

The motion carried unanimously with Vice Chair Harney, and Directors Cortese, Bruins, and Craig absent.

**1a) Approve Minutes of the September 13, 2017, Board of Directors Meeting**

**1c) August 2017 Treasurer Report**

**1d) Confirm Interim SVCE Standby (S) Rate**

Director Cortese arrived at 7:05 p.m.

**1b) Approve Invitation Letter to the City of Milpitas**

Interim CEO Don Eckert provided information and responded to Board questions.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

Bruce Karney, Mountain View resident, spoke in support of the City of Milpitas joining SVCE.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

MOTION: Director Gibbons moved and Alternate Director Schmidt seconded the motion to approve the Invitation Letter to the City of Milpitas as submitted, with direction to staff to correct use of the language "carbon-free."

The motion carried unanimously with Vice Chair Harney, and Directors Bruins and Craig absent.

**Regular Calendar**

Items 4 and 5 were considered out of agenda order.

**4) Approve Change of November SVCE Board of Directors Meeting (Action)**

Interim CEO Eckert presented the item to change the November Board of Directors date and responded to Board questions. General Counsel Greg Stepanicich provided additional information and responded to Board questions.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

No speakers.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

MOTION: Director Abe-Koga moved and Alternate Director Eulo seconded the motion to approve moving the November Board of Directors meeting from November 8 to November 29 and the meeting location to be held in Cupertino, Sunnyvale, Mountain View, or the County of Santa Clara.

The motion carried unanimously with Vice Chair Harney, and Directors Bruins and Craig absent.

## **5) Amend Motion for Customer Programs Advisory Group Formation (Action)**

Community Outreach Manager Pamela Leonard presented staff recommendations to amend the CPAG formation process and requests for clarification, and responded to Board questions. Director of Marketing & Public Affairs Alan Suleiman provided additional information and responded to Board questions.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

Bruce Karney commented on the limitations of the CPAG being able to represent all customers and stated that this group should be able to evaluate proposed programs based on established criteria. Karney commented that one representative from each community could create a passionate advocate in each member community and could help create a strong uptake of the recommended programs.

Leslie Brown, Campbell resident, stated that she used to work for Silicon Valley Power and currently works for Peninsula Clean Energy. Brown commented on the diversity and makeup of the group and suggested that the Board consider regionality as well as staff flexibility in selecting appointments to ensure a balance of strengths in the group.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

Directors discussed CPAG purpose, membership representation, and composition.

Director Cortese suggested using the term "member communities" in future SVCE documents to reference member agency jurisdictions, rather than "city".

Director Cortese left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

**MOTION:** Director Gibbons moved and Director Sinks seconded the motion to be consistent with the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting motion, as listed in the staff presentation, to establish a committee to provide input on program selection, to authorize each Board Member to appoint one residential SVCE customer, to authorize the CEO to appoint three at-large members from applicants, to have a uniform application, to have the application include conflict of interest screening (per legal counsel), to adhere to the Brown Act, to have minutes published, to have Committee report to Board, to have a nine-month timeline, and to have staff reports reflect Sustainability Manager Roundtable and Customer Program Advisory Group, with the addition of a refinement that if a Director cannot identify a candidate, the position would be given to the CEO to fill, and each jurisdiction will provide, per their will and availability, a pool of applicants for the CEO to use to fill the three-at-large positions or other positions.

Chair Rennie asked for clarification if the application would mention the areas of experience that the SVCE is interested in.

Director Gibbons and Director Sinks accepted Chair Rennie's clarification and Director Cortese's suggestions.

The motion carried 7-1 with Director Griffith dissenting and Vice Chair Harney, and Directors Cortese, Bruins, and Craig absent.

Community Outreach Manager Leonard asked for clarification on whether the CPAG would be residential-only. Director Gibbons clarified that the motion was approved to appoint residential SVCE customers, not business customers.

Director Miller requested a future agenda item at the next meeting to begin the discussion on forming a longer-term customer advisory committee.

Alternate Director Eulo requested a future agenda item to discuss the CPAG charter.

## **2) Executive Committee Report**

Chair Rennie announced the item and stated that the Executive Committee had discussed the invitation letter to Milpitas, Item 5, and the SVCE Member Agency Working Group which would be discussed during Item 6 later in the agenda.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

No speakers.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

## **3) CEO Report**

Interim CEO Eckert presented the CEO report which included updates on the CalCCA annual meeting, an upcoming CPUC workshop, long-term power supply, ZGlobal deposit, and the Audit and Finance committee. Interim CEO Eckert thanked the Board and the public who attended the power procurement policy direction workshop on Monday night.

Regulatory/Legislative Analyst Hilary Staver provided a regulatory and legislative update on PCIA, AB 1110 implementation, CCA rulemaking, and CPUC proceedings, and responded to Board questions.

Interim CEO Eckert responded to Board questions.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

No speakers.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

## **6) SVCE Member Agency Working Group (Discussion)**

Manager of Account Services Don Bray presented the item on the formation of the SVCE Member Agency Working Group (MAWG) and responded to Board questions.

Chair Rennie opened public comment.

No speakers.

Chair Rennie closed public comment.

Alternate Director Eulo suggested that staff clarify that feedback from the MAWG would be reflected in staff reports.

Manager of Account Services Bray clarified that reports from the MAWG would be reflected in the CEO reports as well as in staff reports.

### **Board Member Announcements and Direction on Future Agenda Items**

Chair Rennie thanked staff for their hard work on the Policy Direction Workshop.

Director Griffith requested a future agenda item to discuss how to delegate changes to meetings to the Chair with information from legal counsel. Director Griffith also requested all future agenda items under the regular calendar include voting items first with any reporting items at the end, so that members of the public can provide their input earlier in the meeting.

Director Gibbons stated that PG&E has advertised heavily on Facebook regarding time-of-use pricing for businesses starting in November and requested staff to come back to the Board to explain the implications.

Director Sinks concurred with Director Gibbons and commented on the alignment of wholesale prices and demand, and future needs for storage.

### **Adjourn**

Chair Rennie adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.