Update on Potential Plans for Return to In-Person Board / Committee Meetings

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Remote Meetings and Noticing Requirements

AB361 allows for remote meetings with relaxed noticing until Jan 1, 2024.

If the State of Emergency is lifted before legislation is enacted, previous Brown Act noticing requirements will apply:

- Noticing remote locations in advance
- Making remote locations open and accessible to the public

- New Legislation may codify existing “relaxed” notification requirements, but may not take effect until Jan 1, 2023.
Virtual Attendance

If stricter Brown Act requirements return, SVCE staff recommend that:

• Board members utilize an existing publicly-accessible location that allows for ADA access and full public participation
  • City Halls / Community Centers / Etc.

• SVCE work with Member Agencies to cover any fees / staff time needed to open facilities for Meetings (evenings)

• Provide the ability to attend meetings from SVCE’s office (Committee meetings / fully-remote Board meetings)
SVCE proposes easing back into hybrid meetings over the next 2-3 months

- **April:**
  - Test Hybrid Meeting Setup with Cupertino staff
  - Survey Board Members for Remote Location Needs / Desires

- **May:**
  - Initial Hybrid Board Meeting at Cupertino

- **June - July:**
  - Expected completion of SVCE Conference Room Upgrades – Committee Meetings may resume in hybrid format
Recommendation

Conduct the May 11, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting as a Hybrid Meeting, with the option to attend in-person at Cupertino Community Hall, or remote via Zoom.
Appendices

Pending Legislation
Remote Location Assistance
Options Available
Pending Legislation

Several bills at the State Legislature could affect Brown Act teleconferencing requirements; but none are considered urgent legislation:

- **AB 1944 (Support)** – private locations do not require noticing; public teleconferencing required

- **SB 1100 (Support)** – public agencies may remove disruptive audience members individually

- **AB 2449 (Watch)** – public agencies may relax teleconferencing requirements if quorum of body is present in one location
Remote Location Assistance

SVCE Staff will work to ensure smooth remote participation by all Board members, in coordination with on-site staff.

- SVCE staff will cover fees associated with the use of an off-site location, including working with member agencies to develop reimbursement agreements for member agency staff time needed to open public facilities for remote attendance.

- SVCE staff will do their best to provide the technical equipment needed for remote meetings, but will not be able to provide on-site support at remote locations.
Options Available

SVCE Staff is working to prepare for Hybrid Brown Act Meetings, both on- and off-site, to prepare for a period under prior Brown Act requirements, but before permanent legislation is enacted.

- **In-Person / Hybrid Meetings**
  - Board - Cupertino Community Hall
    - Re-opening for in-person Meetings in April
    - SVCE staff to conduct dry run of hybrid setup in April
  - Committee - SVCE Offices
    - SVCE outfitting conference rooms with improved audio-visual equipment
    - Public accessibility may affect meeting requirements

- **Fully-remote**
  - Board members, staff, and public continue to attend from individual locations
    - More likely if Brown Act noticing requirements aren’t applicable
Clean Power Update

SVCE Board Meeting
Topics

• PPA Updates
PPA Expected Commercial On-line Dates over the next 9 quarters

- 2022 - Q1
  Slate & Big Beau Solar + Storage, Coso Geothermal

- 2022 - Q2
  Casa Diablo Geothermal

- 2022 - Q3
  Rabbitbrush Solar + Storage

- 2022 - Q4
  Yellow Pine Solar + Storage & Atlas Solar

- 2023 - Q1
  Mountain View & Cameron Crest Wind

- 2023 - Q2, Q3
  Angela & Aratina Solar + Storage

- 2023 - Q3, Q4
  Victory Pass & San Luis West Solar + Storage
Projects are coming on-line but face interconnection and other challenges.

- **Coso’s existing Geothermal project** started delivery on January 1, 2022.
- **Recurrent’s** Slate solar plus energy storage plant achieved PPA and CAISO COD in Q1 2022.
- **Under Construction / Pre-COD**
  - EDF’s Big Beau solar PV testing and CAISO grid synchronization started in November 2021. Storage system delayed.
  - Ormat’s Casa Diablo geothermal expected to COD in Q2 2022.
  - AES’s Mountain View Wind project expected to be completed 6 months early.
  - Leeward’s Rabbitbrush solar plus storage project started construction in November 2021.
  - NextEra’s Yellow Pine solar plus storage project started construction in Q1 2022.

- **Pre-Construction**
  - Other projects continue to face delays due to COVID-19, labor shortages and/or supply-chain delivery issues.
Slate Solar (93 MW) + Storage (46.5 MW) COD January 2022

Operating in the 24x7 CAISO Day-Ahead and Real-Time markets

SVCE is working in partnership with 3CE and ZGlobal to develop optimal market strategies that maximize capacity attributes and energy value.
Project Construction

Rabbitbrush Solar (40 MW) + Storage

CODQ3 2022
Project Construction

Yellow Pine Solar (50 MW)+
Storage (26 MW)

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