



## Silicon Valley Clean Energy Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, March 28, 2025  
10:00 am

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### AGENDA

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Call to Order

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Roll Call

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

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#### Consent Calendar (Action)

- 1) Approve Minutes of the February 28, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting

#### Regular Calendar

- 2) CEO Update (Discussion)
- 3) Recommend the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute Contracts with Kings Community Action Organization and Self-Help Enterprises from the Hanford Mitigation Fund (Action)
- 4) Recommend the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors Authorize the Chief Executive Officer Approval of CalCCA Annual Budget and Dues in an Amount Not to Exceed \$750,000 per CalCCA's Fiscal Year (Action)
- 5) Clean Power Update (Informational)
- 6) Input for New Building Community Space (Discussion)
- 7) Program Snapshot: Programs Marketing Overview (Informational)

#### Committee/Staff Remarks

#### Adjourn

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**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

Chair Martinez Beltran called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

Chair Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Morgan Hill  
Vice Chair Sally Meadows, City of Los Altos  
Director Elliot Scozzola, City of Campbell  
Director George Tyson, Town of Los Altos Hills  
Director Tina Walia, City of Saratoga  
Director Larry Klein, City of Sunnyvale

**Absent:**

None.

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

Bruce Karney announced the Mountain View City Council voted to adopt its priorities for the next two years, one of which was to develop a plan to end the flow of pipe natural gas no later than 2045 in Mountain View. Mr. Karney mentioned two ideas for raising money (particularly in Mountain View) to help the owners of multifamily buildings who otherwise would not be able to recoup the investment to break even: 1) voluntary carbon tax, and 2) an idea similar to a Roth IRA where people would be able to put money aside into a fund where it could grow tax free and be restricted to use when an electrification project occurs. Mr. Karney suggested the City of Mountain View or Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) could match the money put into the Roth IRA at a 5-10% level.

**Consent Calendar**

Chair Martinez Beltran opened Public Comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Martinez Beltran closed Public Comment.

**MOTION: Director Tyson moved and Director Klein seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar.**



**The motion carried unanimously with all committee members present.**

**1) Approve Minutes of the January 27, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting**

**Regular Calendar**

**2) CEO Update (Discussion)**

Amrit Singh, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Director of Administrative Services, provided the update on behalf of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Monica Padilla.

CFO Singh reported on the following:

- SVCE's new office building purchase at 298 South Sunnyvale Avenue in Sunnyvale;
- Bena Chang, Director of Government and Legislative Affairs, provided an update on a regionalization/expanded markets bill;
- Member Agency Quarterly Impact reports were distributed to board members, city managers, and city council members;
- An overview of upcoming events:
  - March 21<sup>st</sup>, Berkeley POWER Conference
  - April 17<sup>th</sup>, Hanford Gas Peaker with Battery Ribbon Cutting Event
  - April 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, CalCCA Annual Conference in Irvine

Staff responded to questions regarding AB 306, which would put a pause on state building code changes, and reach code communication efforts.

There was no public comment on this item.

**3) Workforce Strategy Update and Power Purchase Agreement Project Selection Policy Recommendation (Action)**

Director of Government and Legislative Affairs Chang introduced the item with a request for the Executive Committee (Committee) to recommend that the Board of Directors adopt the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) Project Selection Policy with any clear edits/direction for changes given to staff from the Committee. Staff's presentation addressed the following:

- Workforce activities;
- Purpose of the PPA Project Selection Policy and current practice;
- Key elements of the proposed PPA Project Selection Policy;
- An overview of the communication that occurred with stakeholders;
- Changes reflected in the proposed policy as a result of stakeholder feedback; and
- Highlights of additional requests from stakeholders

Staff responded to questions from committee members regarding whether there were any legal concerns with the targeted hire language and similarities to other CCAs, and the goals identified from stakeholder requests.

Chair Martinez Beltran opened Public Comment, addressing members of the public in the room first.

Louise A., Working Partnerships USA, provided background information on her focus in construction careers and commented on her excitement on the PPA projects and proposed policy, which offer opportunities to create additional construction careers for California. Louise noted the policy is a great step forward and requested the



additions submitted with the Public Comment letter from the Workforce Environmental Justice Alliance be considered.

Lauren W., Acterra: Action for a Healthy Planet, spoke for Acterra as part of the CCA Workforce Environmental Justice Alliance. Lauren commented on encouraging and strengthening the ongoing engagement practices with the public, and stressed keeping projects local, locally staffed, and locally trained in California.

Following the in-person public comment speakers, the Chair addressed members of the public joining remotely.

Alex L., San Francisco Electrical Construction Industry, addressed the local hiring, apprenticeship, and project labor agreements suggestions to the policy.

Eric V., CCA Workforce and Environmental Justice Alliance, thanked staff for the collaborative effort on the policy, and commented on the need for a lot of future projects that will need to be built. Eric noted everyone that is procuring clean energy has a responsibility to ensure we are supporting and protecting workers in the communities that are hosting clean energy projects, and also simultaneously from a position of de-risking these projects from possible development risk. Eric referred the Committee to the policy analysis submitted as part of the Public Comment letter and expressed appreciation of adoption of all of the recommendations.

Will S., IBEW local 332, representing over 3,600 electrical workers in Santa Clara County, thanked staff for their coordination and cooperation into implementing the labor standards into the policy. Will urged committee members to adopt the standards to help prevent the exploitation of workers, specifically construction workers.

Bradley C., IBEW local 595, representing electricians and electrical apprentices in Alameda, San Joaquin and Calaveras Counties, commented that high road labor standards will ensure that projects meet the strict safety standards that are needed, the work is done right, and projects are completed on time. Bradley noted that Ava Community Energy's policy was adopted, advances were observed, and Bradley urged committee members to adopt the policy which would strengthen the high road labor standards, reduce development risk, and benefit vulnerable communities.

Chair Martinez Beltran closed Public Comment.

Committee members discussed the additional suggestions received from stakeholders in the red-lined copy of the policy submitted as written Public Comment, which were summarized by staff in the following general categories: Local Hire, Targeted Hire, Apprentices, Location, and Environmental.

Staff reviewed each of the requests in the summary list. Committee members clarified that the details outlined in the policy were considered preferences and goals and not requirements.

Committee members provided feedback on the policy which included: evaluating the workforce development targets proposed and identifying a meaningful percentage that can be measured; for an MC3 program, identifying if it is a reasonable definition if outside of California and identifying a meaningful percentage; meeting with stakeholders on the next iteration of the policy; identifying a meaningful ratio of apprentices; and consensus of support for the original language related to location, environmental stewardship, and the other redline suggestions from stakeholders.

**MOTION: Director Tyson moved and Director Walia seconded the motion to proceed with providing advice to staff regarding the workforce strategy update and Power Purchase Agreement Project Selection policy with comments given, and to bring it forward to the SVCE Board of Directors.**

Director of Government and Legislative Affairs Chang requested clarification on the pieces of the stakeholder comments the Committee would like staff to work on and incorporate.



Director Tyson provided the following direction to staff on each of the following summary categories:

Local Hire

Evaluate the proposed 30% goal and provide feedback to the Board of Directors on whether the number is correct or if there are other parameters that would make it better, more operational, and enforceable. Director Tyson reiterated his overall statement was to make sure it is clear and manageable in terms of enforcement.

Targeted Hire

Evaluate the proposed 10% goal and provide feedback to the Board of Directors on whether the number is correct or if there are other parameters that would make it better, more operational, and enforceable.

Apprentices

Same as above; to make sure that it is clear and manageable in terms of enforcement.

Location

Direction was to leave as originally written.

Environmental

Direction was to leave as originally written, given the sense it was already covered.

**FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Director Walia proposed a friendly amendment to emphasize that the policy was intended to be aspirational. Director Tyson restated the overall broad statement is aspirational in nature, and the Committee is giving staff the opportunity to define the charter of the Policy as seems operationally most fitting.**

Director Walia agreed with the friendly amendment as the seconder of the motion.

**The motion carried unanimously with all committee members present.**

**4) Recommend the SVCE Board of Directors Approve the Amended Energy Risk Management Policy (Action)**

CFO Singh introduced Scott Wigglesworth, Director of Risk Management, who presented a request for the Committee to recommend that the SVCE Board of Directors approve the amended Energy Risk Management policy with the key proposed change of inclusion of the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) and PG&E generation rate (gen rate) hedge when assessing overall position. The presentation included the following:

- Highlights of the proposed changes, including the language change in section 3.3 of the policy on Net Revenue Risk, a change in section 6.4 on thresholds, and other minor revisions;
- A technical walk-through on PCIA, financial planning and risk management, and an introduction to a prospective methodology for incorporating PCIA and Gen rate hedge impact; and
- Staff's plan for implementation and the implications considered.

Staff responded to a question regarding if there are other CCAs currently utilizing the potential hedge or looking at PCIA and how it derisks the organization.

Chair Martinez Beltran opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Martinez Beltran closed Public Comment.

**MOTION: Director Klein moved and Director Walia seconded the motion to recommend the SVCE Board of Directors approve the revisions to the SVCE Energy Risk Management Policy, to put the item on the**



**Consent Calendar for the next Board of Directors meeting, and to include the committee presentation in the packet materials for the future Consent item.**

**The motion carried unanimously with all committee members present.**

**5) Program Snapshot: New and Improved eHub (Informational)**

Pamela Leonard, Deputy Director of Marketing and Communications, introduced the item. Leslie Madarang, Senior Marketing Specialist, presented an informational presentation on SVCE's improved eHub, which allows customers to learn about electrification as well as take action in SVCE's programs.

Staff responded to committee member questions and comments on multi-language options, when member agency staff would receive information on eHub, and different methods of distributing the information.

Chair Martinez Beltran opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Martinez Beltran closed Public Comment.

**Committee/Staff Remarks**

Director Klein confirmed SVCE staff was assisting with the Sunnyvale EV Ride and Drive event, and announced the Peery Park Rides Program kickoff on March 4, 2025.

**Adjournment**

Chair Martinez Beltran adjourned the meeting at 12:17 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Andrea Pizano, Board Secretary



**Staff Report – Item 2**

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**Item 2:        CEO Update**

From:            Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by:    Andrea Pizano, Sr. Executive Assistant and Board Clerk

Date:            3/28/2025

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This item will be addressed in the form of an oral report to the Executive Committee.



### Staff Report – Item 3

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**Item 3:        Recommend the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute Contracts with Kings Community Action Organization and Self-Help Enterprises from the Hanford Mitigation Fund**

From:            Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by:   Pamela Leonard, Deputy Director of Marketing and Communications  
                      Juliette Pascual, Community Outreach Specialist

Date:            3/28/2025

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This item will be addressed in the form of a presentation to the Executive Committee. The presentation will provide an overview of the learnings about local priorities from stakeholder outreach to Kings County organizations. Staff also requests the Executive Committee determine a funding amount from two presented options and recommend the SVCE Board of Directors approve delegating authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute contracts with Kings County non-profit partners and to administer local programs using the Hanford Mitigation Fund.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

The presentation for this item is posted to the SVCE website.



### Staff Report – Item 4

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**Item 4: Recommend the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors Authorize the Chief Executive Officer Approval of CalCCA Annual Budget and Dues in an Amount Not to Exceed \$750,000 per CalCCA’s Fiscal Year**

From: Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by: Maren Wenzel, Director of Regulatory, Policy and Planning

Date: 3/28/2025

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) Executive Committee recommend that the Board of Directors (Board) approve annual budget for payment to California Community Choice Association (“CalCCA”) starting CalCCA’s next Fiscal Year (July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026) in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 annually. This budget enables SVCE to continue its long-standing membership as a part of CalCCA.

#### **BACKGROUND**

SVCE has been a member of CalCCA since January of 2017, when the Board of Director’s authorized its membership<sup>1</sup>. CalCCA is the Community Choice Aggregator (“CCA”) trade association in California. It facilitates cooperation among CCAs and advocates on behalf of CCAs before the California legislature and regulatory bodies. SVCE’s CEO, Monica Padilla, serves on the CalCCA Board of Directors and is a member of their Executive Committee.

At CalCCA’s March 2025 board meeting a preliminary budget of \$520,000 was approved, conditioned on individual members obtaining approval from their respective governing bodies.

In addition to general membership dues, CCAs participate in Special Assessments for regulatory cases which are of specific interest to a subset of members. These are generally cases which are specific to the CCA’s incumbent IOU. The primary proceedings these efforts have focused on are PG&E’s General Rate Case (GRC) and Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) proceedings. Centralizing these services creates an opportunity to significantly reduce the costs of the legal services by avoiding redundant parallel services offered to each CCA individually. By participating in these cases SVCE is able to monitor PG&E spending and advocate for the interests of our customers to ensure reasonable and fair costs are incurred.

CalCCA is an integral part of SVCE’s advocacy activities with both the state legislature and regulatory agencies. The roughly one dozen CalCCA employees dedicated to advocacy issues work on behalf of members to advance CCA priorities throughout California electricity policy forums. This is done through a variety of duties including developing comments and letters, meeting with key staff members, legislators and commissioners, and representing CCA members in public hearings and workshops. Given the broad set of shared interests amongst CCAs, the trade organization can use its economies of scale to advocate for, and achieve, significant benefits for its member CCAs. Additionally, as a collective, CalCCA members represent

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<sup>1</sup> See SVCE Board of Directors, [Agenda Item 6 \(Authorize CEO to Approve Membership of CalCCA\)](#), October 12, 2016.

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over 20% of California ratepayers and are represented by the majority of the state legislators meaning that the combined voice of CalCCA is stronger than any one CCA on its own.

In addition to its primary function as an advocacy agency, CalCCA supports coordination amongst CCAs on a wide range of issues through more than a dozen committees and discussion groups including marketing, programs, power procurement, risk management, analytics and compliance functions. The ability to coordinate and share learnings across CCAs benefits SVCE staff across all departments and roles.

**ANALYSIS & DISCUSSION**

The staff recommendation includes approving CalCCA's Board-approved annual budget of \$520,000 payments for the CalCCA starting with CalCCA's 2025-2026 fiscal year costs. These costs primarily consist of staff, consultant and legal counsel fees and administrative costs.

The overall budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 is approximately 13% higher than the prior fiscal year budget. Key changes relative to fiscal year 2024 include adding additional staff and bringing more administrative functions in house. CalCCA has also made minor adjustments to the allocation of costs amongst CCA members.

CalCCA adopts a budget on an annual basis and beyond their fiscal year 2025-26 they anticipate small increases due to cost of living and inflation. SVCE staff's recommendation is to allow the CEO to approve and pay up to \$750,000 per CalCCA's fiscal year to cover additional increases in cost and/or special projects carried out through CalCCA on behalf of a subset of its members. Costs beyond \$750,000 per year will be brought back to the SVCE Board for approval.

**STRATEGIC PLAN**

Given the broad nature of CalCCA's advocacy work at both the legislature and regulatory bodies, continued membership in the organization will support multiple Strategic Goals. These include "Expand Affordability Efforts", "Expand Clean and Reliable Grid Actions" and "Prepare Region for Electrification at Scale".

**ALTERNATIVE**

Not funding CalCCA membership would require that SVCE withdraw from CalCCA. SVCE would have to add additional staff and/or consultants to provide the legislative and regulatory work currently performed by CalCCA staff. In lieu of adding additional staff, SVCE would have to reduce its monitoring and engagement in regulatory and legislative activities that have significant impacts on the organization. Neither alternative is recommended due to impacts on current operations.

Also, the Board could direct staff to return annually for authorization to pay CalCCA's annual budget and authorize payments.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

CalCCA members pay dues on a quarterly basis, starting on July 1, the beginning of CalCCA's fiscal year. Given the misalignment with SVCE's fiscal year this means approval of the 2025-2026 CalCCA dues will be partially paid in SVCE's 2025 fiscal year (\$260,000) and the remainder paid in fiscal year 2026 (\$260,000). Invoices will also include amounts for Special Assessments, which SVCE's Board of Directors approved at the February 2025 meeting<sup>2</sup>.

Going forward, staff will include as part of SVCE's annual budget process an estimate of the expected CalCCA budget obligation.

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<sup>2</sup> See SVCE Board of Directors, [Agenda Item 1e \(Approve Increase to SVCE's Payments to California Choice Association in the Amount of \\$200,000 for Special Assessments\)](#), February 12, 2025)



**Staff Report – Item 5**

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**Item 5:        Clean Power Update**

From:            Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by:    Andrea Pizano, Sr. Executive Assistant and Board Clerk

Date:            3/28/2025

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This item will be addressed in the form of a presentation to the Executive Committee on SVCE's clean power efforts.

**ATTACHMENTS**

The presentation for this item will be posted to the SVCE website.



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**Staff Report – Item 6**

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**Item 6:        Input for New Building Community Space**

From:            Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by:   Zoe Elizabeth, Director of Decarbonization Policy and Community Strategies

Date:             3/28/2025

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Staff requests that the Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) Executive Committee (Committee) discuss how best to receive input from the SVCE Board of Directors on the community space for the new SVCE headquarters building.

**ATTACHMENT**

The presentation for this item will be posted to the SVCE website.

**Staff Report – Item 7**

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**Item 7:           Program Snapshot: Programs Marketing Overview**

From:           Monica Padilla, CEO

Prepared by:   Shawn Orgel-Olson, Programs Marketing Manager

Date:           3/28/2025

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This item will be addressed in the form of a presentation to the Executive Committee providing a snapshot overview of Programs Marketing.

**ATTACHMENT**

The presentation for this item is posted to SVCE's website.