

**Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB)  
Meeting of February 11, 2014  
Meeting No. 92**

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jason Anderson	Andrew McKercher
Charlie Buck	Jay Powell
John Bumgarner (Chair)	Alison Whitelaw
Matthew Ellis	Emily Wier
Douglas Kot	Julie Yunker

**I. Non-Agenda Public Comment**

None

**II. Approval of the Minutes**

*Motion to approve by Jay Powell. Seconded by Charlie Buck. Passed unanimously.*

**III. Announcements and Introductions**

- John Bumgarner announced that due to changes within his company's organization, he will be required to spend more time out-of-town; however, this should not affect his ability to serve as chair of the SEAB.
- Doug Kot stated that he will be leaving his role as the Executive Director of the San Diego Chapter of the USGBC, but will continue on there as a board member. He will continue to represent both the building industry and USBGC at the SEAB.
- Charlie Buck announced that his role at CCSE will be transitioning to a more statewide role dealing with regulatory items and policy-support, which may limit his future SEAB participation, but not at this time.

**IV. Overview of Community Choice Aggregation (CCA):**

Charlie Buck presented an overview of Community Choice Aggregation.

Buck will contact the San Diego Energy District Foundation to schedule a representative to provide a more in-depth presentation on their planned CCA feasibility study at the next meeting.

Bumgarner requested that City staff email the specific language from the NR&C meeting that requested the board's input on CCA.

*Doug Kot motioned to create a working group to address the research needs of the board between meetings to reach a deeper understanding of Community Choice Aggregation in response to the NR&C members' request. Charlie Buck seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Doug Kot and Julie Yunker abstained.*

Working group will consist of Charlie Buck, Doug Kot, Jay Powell, and Emily Wier. Jay Powell is designated as the liaison between this group and the CAP working group.

Bumgarner recommended that the CAP working group begin to review the components of the document draft and report back to the board at future meetings. For the next meeting, the group is slated to report on the CCA portion. He also recommended that the CCA working group be ready with some vital questions for the San Diego Energy District Foundation.

#### **V. Update on SEAB's Input Regarding CAP:**

John Bumgarner stated that he was advised by the Interim Mayor's office that the letter endorsed by the board at the last meeting (requesting an opportunity to provide input on CAP) was not really necessary as there would be too little time for a response before the February 24<sup>th</sup> deadline, and there will be a large window of time to submit once the CEQA period commences.

Bumgarner also stated that the letter has been submitted to the Interim Mayor to support including additional resources in the budget for Development Services Department to accommodate solar industry permit processing and future growth.

#### **VI. PACE Update:**

Dave Weil reported that ESD presented PACE to the Environmental Committee and was given direction to move forward to City Council for approval and adoption of residential PACE programs.

John Bumgarner will write a letter to City Council to commend City staff on its efforts and to encourage them to adopt the PACE programs.

#### **VII. City Update:**

Dave Weil provided the following updates on City projects:

- The City is currently focusing on expanding solar energy on its facilities, starting with a 1MW project on PUD facilities. The RFP is expected to be on the street in late spring.
- Solar feasibility audits are being conducted on 56 City facilities, to be followed by additional audits later in the year.
- City is continuing with conducting energy efficiency audits funded by Local Government Partnership (LGP) with the goal of putting together projects using On-Bill Financing.
- LEED EBOM certification for the Ridgehaven Building will soon be underway, using the process as a training opportunity for City and other local partner staffs to gain experience so that they can then expand the program to other buildings.

**VIII. Legislative Update:**

Weil reported that the City of San Diego, County of San Diego, City of Chula Vista, the Port of San Diego and SANDAG are looking at the feasibility of forming a Regional Energy Network. Weil also reported that the City is tracking SDG&E's recent "Rate Design Window" Application filing with the CPUC and plans to file a protest.

**IX. TAC Committee Meeting Update:**

Alison Whitelaw will forward information on the meeting to Charlie Buck and Doug Kot before next meeting. Buck will provide further feedback as to whether or not he will be able to serve.

**X. New Business**

None

**XI. Member Feedback:**

Jason Anderson and other members expressed that Sullivan Solar's presentation at the last meeting was too one-sided and not presented in a professional manner. Bumgarner stated he will preview briefings from outside presenters and discuss the presentation with them beforehand.

After discussion it was decided to hold off on meeting downtown, previously planned for March.

**XII. Roundtable Announcements:**

None

**XIII. Adjourn**

Chair John Bumgarner adjourned the meeting at 12:00PM.