

**Sustainable Energy Advisory Board (SEAB)
April 9, 2015
Meeting No. 106**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Bumgarner (Chair) – Solar Industry
Jay Powell – Environmental Advocate
Jack Clark – Center for Sustainable Energy

Douglas Kot (Vice Chair) – Building Industry
Andrew McKercher – Labor Organization

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jason Anderson – Business Community
Emily Wier – At Large Alternate
Vacant – At Large Member (Matt Ellis' seat)

Julia Brown – At Large Member
Vacant – San Diego Gas & Electric
Vacant – At Large Alternate #2 (Allison Whitelaw's seat)

I. Call to Order

John Bumgarner called the meeting to order at 10:11 A.M.

II. Introductions

III. Adoption of the Minutes

Motion by Jay Powell to approve Meeting Minutes; second by Jack Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Announcements

In recognition of Allison Whitelaw being termed out for membership, the Chair and members took a moment to recognize her longstanding service and contributions to the board.

Jack Clark, Jay Powell, and Andrew McKercher exchanged comments on CPUC president Michael Picker's support of the Carlsbad natural gas plant, contrary to the Administrative Law Judge's proposed decision last month, and how it will figure into the CCA study and the region's renewable energy future. The Chair suggested this item be tabled until Item 13 (New Business) if members wanted further discussion about making it a future agenda item.

V. Non-Agenda Public Comment

No comments received.

VI. General Membership Update

Jerry Butkiewicz was appointed as the SDG&E representative by the Mayor. His appointment is expected to be confirmed by the City Council at 4/21/15 Council meeting.

Jay Powell asked about the status of Julia Brown's seat because he thought that her seat expired in March according to his copy of the roster. Dave Weil noted that staff is looking into this.

Eddie Price, in attendance representing Grid Alternatives, expressed interest in filling one of the vacant spots and was given information on filing an application.

VII. Discussion of Municipal Code changes pertaining to SEAB

Jay Powell led a detailed discussion of proposed changes to the municipal code to update outdated language regarding SEAB operational procedures. Three copies of different proposed changes were distributed to board members for review.

Motion by Jay Powell to: adopt the edits and forward the document for docketing to be heard at the Council's Environment Committee; no second. Powell amended the motion to: staff prepare a document with the edits discussed today and circulate it to the full Board for accuracy so it can be voted on at the next meeting; no second.

Several board members asked for a clean copy with the agreed upon edits before voting.

Motion by Jay Powell to have staff provide a copy of the changes to the municipal code reflecting the board discussion to all board members so that they can provide comments by May 1 for consideration by the SEAB Muni Code Working Group (consisting of John Bumgarner, Doug Kot, Jay Powell, and Jerry Butkiewicz), in order to provide a recommendation for changes to adopt to the full board for review prior to the next meeting; second by Doug Kot. Motion passed with Andrew McKercher abstaining.

VIII. CAP update and example building code discussion (Item taken out of order)

Doug Kot announced that a revised draft of the CAP was released in March, including the appendices. Staff will provide a link to the new document. Doug Kot suggested making the revised CAP and appendices a longer agenda item for the June meeting. The scoping period for the CEQA document has closed. Comments on the CAP are still being taken by the Planning Department and can be emailed to CAP@sandiego.gov. The Draft EIR should be out in June; then there will be 60 day public review process.

Doug Kot via staff will provide a summary to the Board of changes that were made relative to the numerical targets. There were several questions at the EESTF meeting about how the renewable energy targets were derived. Questions regarding the appendices should be submitted to the Planning Department (CAP@sandiego.gov). The slides from the EESTF meeting presentation are available on the Planning Department's CAP page.

Jay Powell suggested reconvening the board's CAP working group to review the energy component of the CAP and provide a summary of the pertinent issues to the Board. John Bumgarner proposed looking at the membership of that working group next month and bolstering if necessary and taking time on the June agenda to discuss the CAP in more detail. The review of CAP example cool roof and PV/EV ready ordinances will be postponed until next month. A revised list of prioritized CAP policies/ ordinances was redistributed and will be emailed to members as well.

IX. Update on Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) (Item taken out of order)

Steve Hoffman with LEAN Energy provided background information about LEAN and their proposed scope of services with the City. Also discussed were some of the issues that may be addressed in the feasibility study being prepared by Community Choice Partners.

Doug Kot suggested that, given the length of the City's procurement process, the City move forward with the RFP for the validation study now instead of waiting until the feasibility study is complete in order to help expedite the process. If necessary, adjustments could be made later to the validation study scope depending on the results and timing of the feasibility study.

Doug Kot reminded everyone that the SEAB wrote a memo to the Mayor in June 2014 regarding the board's priorities to guide the CCA feasibility study and wanted LEAN to have a copy of it. Jay Powell stated that he thought it was important to keep the SEAB's CCA working group included and that they should review the feasibility study with staff and consultants and report back to the full board with any actionable items. It was also discussed that the working group should have an opportunity to review and provide input into the RFP, once it is ready for review.

Andrew McKercher asked about the provision of locally produced renewable power in the Marin County CCA and expressed the desire of labor organizations to include local projects if a CCA were to be formed here and several members of the working group confirmed that they had already identified that as a priority in the memo.

X. Suggested Topics/Guests for Upcoming Meetings

- i. Presentation on "Building Energy Master Planning"
- ii. Tour of Electrical Training Center
- iii. Model energy conservation ordinances
- iv. Housekeeping items, priorities, work products, structure, attendance, etc.
- v. Net Energy Metering

The Chair led a discussion of presentations for the May meeting. It was decided that Net Metering would be the next topic with perspectives from the solar industry, SDG&E, and CSE. Jerry Butkiewicz will arrange for a speaker from SDG&E and Jack Clark will get a speaker from CSE and the solar industry.

XI. Legislative Update

Postponed until next meeting.

XII. City Update:

Postponed until next meeting.

XIII. New Business

No new business.

XIV. Adjourn

John Bumgarner adjourned the meeting at 12:06 P.M.