



REGULAR MEETING
of the Community Advisory Council (CAC)
Thursday, September 20, 2018
6:00 pm

Monterey Bay Community Power (MBCP)
70 Garden Court, Suite 300
Monterey, CA 93940

MINUTES

1. The meeting was **called to order by Chair Byron at 6:02 p.m.** with 8 members present and a quorum established:

Councilmembers Present: Dr. Bueno del Bosque, Osmer (arrived at 6:12 p.m.)
Hartmann, Wolfrum, Amezquita, Stedman, Groot, Capron;
Chair Byron

Councilmembers Absent: Bezzera Wist, Vice Chair LaVan

2. The Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The Chair called for members of the public to speak on matters not listed on the agenda. The following individuals addressed the Council:
 - Michael Saint, regarding Tesla EV cars fitting into infrastructure and suggests the CAC create a program that allow a certain percentage of rebates go to more challenging customers rather than affluent customers by increasing the number of rebates given.

The Chair closed the public comment period.

4. The Chair addressed the Council and asked to set the agenda and approve the Consent Agenda. Agenda Items 1 and 2 were pulled for separate discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Minutes of the August 16, 2018 Meeting of the Community Advisory Council were approved.

The Chair opened the public comment period. There were no speakers. The Chair closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Councilmember Groot moved, seconded by Councilmember Stedman to approve Agenda Item 5.

ACTION: The motion carried with an 8/0/3/0 vote:

AYES: Dr. Bueno del Bosque, Hartmann, Wolfrum, Amezcuita, Stedman,
Groot, Capron; Chair Byron
NOES: None
ABSENT: Osmer, Bezzera Wist, Vice Chair LaVan
ABSTAINED: None

6. Revised Community Advisory Council Bylaws were reviewed with the following Councilmember comments:

- Councilmember Groot noted that on Page 3, Item C, the language “to carry out programs to reduce energy consumption” is questionable and could be more positively worded. General Counsel Lipanovich stated that the Council agreed to match language from the JPA; Councilmember Groot also asked if the process was completed for Item E as well, Ms. Lipanovich agreed;
- Councilmember Groot noted that on Page 4, Article 3 – Section 3.01 that the language does not state what the allocation of the CAC seats are by County and questioned why the information was not added to the bylaws. Mr. Habashi replied that the CAC allocation matches the JPA memberships: 5 from Santa Cruz County, 4 from Monterey County, and 2 from San Benito County; General Counsel Lipanovich stated that the Policy Board was the final decision maker on the formation of the CAC. If it’s the desire of the CAC, she can pull the information from the Policy Board documents and add same information to the CAC bylaws; Councilmember Groot stated that he feels the Council is important and the information should be noted somewhere in CAC documentation; Mr. Habashi stated that the information will be added to the CAC bylaws.
- Councilmember Groot: Page 10, Item G (or ii), stated that a grammatical error occurs where language begins “member to perform” and would like the language clarified;
- Councilmember Groot noted that on Page 12, Items A and C, he would like attendance tracked and asked why the language “unexcused” was removed. General Counsel Lipanovich answered that the Council agreed to remove the

language at their last meeting because regardless of absences, excused or unexcused, a member would be off the Council based on the current language; Councilmember Groot agreed;

- Councilmember Groot noted that on Page 13, he questioned how the bullet points were ordered, and that letter J referring to Brown Act requirements is important to note at the top; General Counsel Lipanovich agreed to move the item to the top;
- Councilmember Stedman is fine with the changes and reminds Council that it's a dynamic document so additional changes can be made in the future; Chair Byron suggested that the bylaws are reviewed annual and have it noted in the bylaws;
- Councilmember Hartmann noted that on Page 3, Item E, that the language for "reliability for residents through local control" suggests that the word "residents" be changed to something more encompassing such as rate payers or constituents; Chair Byron did not agree; Mr. Habashi suggested the word "community"; no other suggestions were made nor any language agreed to by the Council;
- Councilmember Hartmann asked for confirmation from Section 3.02 that discusses the CAC liaison or his or her designee; does "his or her designee" mean that there will be another person who would attend board meetings? The Chair and General Counsel Lipanovich clarified, no;

The Chair opened the public comment period. The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Michael Saint regarding Councilmember Capron's language regarding Power Procurement and if the language got resolved; Councilmember Capron suggested new language be added like "procurement policy" and not to get into the day-to-day operations of MBCP;
- Brennen Jensen, Emerging Ecologies made comments regarding Section 2.01, "Purpose" and requests that Section D in the JPA be consistent with the language in the bylaws in Section C; Councilmember Capron thinks the suggested language is appropriate; Councilmember Groot is not familiar with the language and would like to review the language first before supporting any change; Councilmember Stedman doesn't agree because he believes the JPA is a guiding document and should be used as an umbrella to refer back to in the future thus leaving the CAC bylaws less specific; Councilmember Stedman reminded the Council that the CAC's function is not to be in agreement with the JPA rather suggested language stating "it's the intent of this Council to promote, assist, and development the use of wide range renewable energy;" Mr. Habashi suggested that a section be added to the CAC bylaws that summarizes the JPA language; Councilmember Capron agreed to Tom's suggestion; Councilmember Stedman supports the change; Councilmember Osmer noted that the bylaws do not need another section added rather the

language in the JPA is a description of MBCP not a purpose of the CAC; Councilmember Dr. Bueno believed the document was ready for approval at the next meeting;

The Chair closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Councilmember Capron moved, seconded by Councilmember Osmer, to continue Agenda Item 6 to the next Community Advisory Council meeting on October 18, 2018, to add the item to Consent, and to make the suggested changes by Mr. Habashi to add a section to the CAC bylaws that summarizes the JPA language.

Councilmember Groot asked the Council to move forward with the current document, the changes that were discussed previously, and the addition of Mr. Habashi's suggestion.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Councilmember Stedman made a friendly amendment to ask the Council to give direction to Mr. Habashi to synthesize the document along with the changes discussed so far and approve the document tonight; Councilmember Hartmann disagreed stating he didn't see the need to rush the adoption of the document. The amendment failed for lack of a second and the first motion was brought up for a vote.

ACTION: The motion carried with an 8/1/2/0 vote:

AYES:	Dr. Bueno del Bosque, Osmer, Hartmann, Wolfrum, Amezquita, Stedman, Capron; Chair Byron
NOES:	Groot
ABSENT:	Bezzera Wist, Vice Chair LaVan
ABSTAINED:	None

REGULAR AGENDA

7. CEO Tom Habashi reported on the latest updates to the PCIA proceedings, status of long-term power contracts for solar plus storage, the Go Local RFO, adoption of the 2018/2019 MBCP Operating Budget, and attendance at the CalCCA Annual Summit.

Councilmembers had the following comments:

- Councilmember Hartmann requested clarification of the GoLocal RFO offers; Mr. Habashi replied that there were 24 unique responses to request for offers to build 37 projects, and confirmed that the numbers were flipped on the PowerPoint slides;
- Chair Byron requested Mr. Habashi comment on the proposed PCIA alternative decision; Mr. Habashi replied that the alternate decision was proposed by Commissioner Peterman, and that the initial decision is held by the Administrative Law Judge Roscoe. Mr. Habashi further noted that the alternate decision agrees with everything in the initial but what could be beneficial for CCAs; Chair Byron asked what the CAC could do to encourage citizens to respond to the decisions; Mr. Habashi replied that MBCP requested Policy Board members, Operations Board members, and CAC members send responses to CPUC; Mr. Habashi also noted that MBCP put an ad in the Chronicle signed by 120 Mayors to assist with efforts to lean toward the initial decision rather than the alternate decision.

The Chair opened the public comment period. There were no speakers. The Chair closed the public comment period.

ACTION: Discussion item only; no action taken.

8. Councilmembers supported the MBCP FY 2018-2019 Programs Proposal for Energy Programs and Consulting Support.

Council members had the following comments:

- Councilmember Stedman inquired about the incentive programs; Energy Programs Manager Beth Trenchard confirmed that \$825,000 would include total cost of the programs;
- Councilmember Groot inquired about the EV Program and requirement that the EV replaces gas vehicle; Trenchard replied no that people need multiple cars so the program encourages people to drive less; Groot also inquired about underserved communities being provided with bilingual information and Trenchard confirmed, yes;
- Councilmember Amezcua commented about too many cars on the road and inquired if there is a system to move people faster to acquire electric cars;

Trenchard replied no but discussed the option for EV sharing such as the program in San Francisco called Karma wherein someone can rent an EV by the hour for roughly \$6 per hour; Amezquita also inquired about working with government agencies to switch to EV; Trenchard replied that the EV programs include rebates for government agencies;

- Chair Byron asked if the programs are available to MBCP employees; Mr. Habashi replied that the programs are available mostly for the underserved;
- Councilmember Capron inquired if the Air Board has discussed with the State to do a one-stop shop to find all resources; Stedman replied that the Air District should instead work the MBCP on programs directly; Capron also inquired about the schedule for Board approval for funding for staff recommendations; Trenchard replied that \$1.3 million has already been approved by the Policy Board; Capron inquired about the estimated dollars for MBGreen; Trenchard replied that there's no sense at this point because it's a unique program and Mr. Habashi stated that in a year from now we'll see where the program goes over time and if adjustments need to be made or a new program developed that will be analyzed after about a year;
- Councilmember Hartmann made comments about the challenges of placing EV charging stations and collaborating with other agencies; Hartmann also inquired about an opportunity of the public participation and development of programs; Chair Byron suggested a study session on a Saturday to provide more community involvement;
- Councilmember Osmer inquired about Climate Action plans of Cities and how is MBCP going to assist with the impact; Director of Communications & External Affairs JR Killigrew replied analysis of how kilowatt hours work; Osmer also commented about Care and Fera Program and how it fits in with a low-income household buying an electric vehicle;
- Chair Byron commented if the incentive can be tied to battery replacement of EV cars; Also inquired about how easy it can be to setup meeting in multi-unit dwellings; Stedman replied that it's not difficult;
- Councilmember Amezquita questioned why MBCP is only spending \$1.3 million now when the budget amount is of \$5.8 million; Trenchard replied that some programs will take time to implement and any unused monies will rollover;
- Councilmember Groot encouraged other agencies come out to make presentations related to transportation

The Chair opened the public comment period. The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Michael Saint with Campaign for Sustainable Transportation regarding incentivizing EV and concerned that there are no programs assisting the reduction of mass transit and suggested using some funds toward Eco Pass Program

- Brennen Jenson regarding how the programs are funded and prioritized overtime and still moves forward in a timely manner and discussed more discussion related to Climate Action Plans
- Pier Cannon from Ecology Action regarding Monterey Bay Electric Vehicle Alliance (MBEVA)
- Tiffany Wise-West Sustainability and Climate Action Manager for City of Santa Cruz noted that many of the MBCP programs are consistent with goals at the City

The Chair closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Councilmember Stedman moved, seconded by Councilmember Dr. Bueno, to approve Agenda Item 8.

ACTION: The motion carried with an 8/3/0/0 vote:

AYES: Dr. Bueno del Bosque, Hartmann, Wolfrum, Amezcuita, Stedman, Groot, Capron; Chair Byron
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: Osmer, Bezzera Wist, Vice Chair LaVan
 ABSTAINED: None

9. Councilmembers reported on matters and concerns related to MBCP Plans & Programs in each member’s community.
10. The meeting **adjourned at 8:58 p.m.** to the next Community Advisory Council Meeting on October 18, 2018.