



Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

7:00 pm

Sunnyvale Civic Center
456 W. Olive Ave
Sunnyvale, CA

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order:

Chair Tyson called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Roll Call

Present:

George Tyson (Chair), Los Altos Hills

Larry Klein (Vice Chair), Sunnyvale

Elliot Scozzola, Campbell

J.R. Fruen, Cupertino

Sally Meadows, Los Altos

Maria Ristow, Los Gatos

Bryan Mekechuk, Monte Sereno

Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Morgan Hill

Pat Showalter, Mountain View

Tina Walia, Saratoga

Otto Lee, Santa Clara County

Absent:

Zach Hilton, Gilroy

Garry Barbadillo, Milpitas

A quorum was present.

Public Comment on Matters Not Listed on the Agenda

No speakers.

Adopt Resolution Commending Hung Wei for her Dedicated Public Service to SVCE and to the Community

Chair Tyson recognized Hung Wei posthumously with a resolution on behalf of the Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) Board of Directors ("Board") for her contributions while serving on the SVCE Board, and her contributions to the community.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

MOTION: Director Showalter moved and Director Fruen seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-17 Commending Hung Wei for her promotion of community clean energy in Santa Clara County and her dedicated service on the Board of Directors of the Authority on behalf of the City of Cupertino.

The motion carried with Directors Hilton and Barbadillo absent.

Adopt Resolution Commending Don Bray for his Dedication in the Formation of Silicon Valley Clean Energy in 2016 and Tenure of Dedicated Service Concluding in 2025

Monica Padilla, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), presented Don Bray, formerly SVCE's Director of Strategic Development, with a resolution on behalf of the Board of Directors and thanked him for his contributions in both forming SVCE and his work in the organization.

Mr. Bray thanked and expressed appreciation to the Board for their recognition of his commitment to SVCE and reflected on his time at the agency and what he is looking forward to in the future.

Board members provided supportive comments and acknowledged Mr. Bray for his dedication to SVCE.

Staff presented Mr. Bray with a resolution and gift for his service.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

MOTION: Director Martinez Beltran moved and Director Mekechuk seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-18 Commending Don Bray for his Dedication in the Formation of Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority in 2016 and his Tenure of Dedicated Service Concluding in 2025.

The motion carried with Directors Hilton and Barbadillo absent.

Consent Calendar

There were no questions or comments from the Board; there were no requests from the public to speak on any matter on the Consent Calendar.

- 1a) Approve Minutes of the August 13, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting
- 1b) Receive July 2025 Treasurer Report
- 1c) Approve Distribution of 2022 Member Agency Grant Cycle Remaining Funds of \$500,000
- 1d) Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Hueston Hennigan, LLP for Legal Services for a Success Fee or for a Total Amount Not-to-Exceed \$2,500,000
- 1e) Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute an Amendment with Sunnyvale Village Associates to Extend Lease of Current Office Space for Up to 12 Months
- 1f) Adopt Resolution Electing to Become Subject to the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act and Adopting Informal Bid Procedures
- 1g) Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute a Fifth Agreement Amendment with Camus Energy to Transition Data Analytics Platform Services Adding \$25,000 for a New Total Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$733,000
- 1h) Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute an Agreement with Citizen Group for Two Years with a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$626,205 for Communications, Marketing and Research Services
- 1i) Adopt the Fiscal Years 2025-2027 Strategic Focus Areas and Strategic Plan
- 1j) Receive 2025 Legislative Responses to Industry Transition Ad Hoc Committee Report
- 1k) Receive Executive Committee Report
- 1l) Receive Additional Committees Report

1m) Receive California Community Power Report

MOTION: Vice Chair Klein moved and Director Walia seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar, Items 1a through 1m.

The motion carried with Directors Hilton and Barbadillo absent.

Regular Calendar

2) CEO Report (Informational)

CEO Padilla addressed the following in her report:

- 1) Introduction of new employees:
 - a. Marvin Jiang, Associate Finance, Risk, and Data Analyst,
 - b. Alison Maas, Community Grants Fellow,
 - c. Danika Miller, Community Outreach Fellow, and
 - d. Rio Neves, Programs Marketing Fellow

All provided brief welcome comments.
- 2) An update on reach codes from Zoe Elizabeth, Director of Decarbonization Policy and Community Strategies, who provided information on the passage of local member agency reach codes, upcoming initiatives, and an update on reach codes outside of SVCE's service territory; and
- 3) An update on legislation from Bena Chang, Director of Government and Legislative Affairs, who provided information on Assembly Bill (AB) 825 and AB 1207, and Senate Bills (SB) 254 and SB 840.

Staff responded to questions and comments regarding San Jose Clean Energy's reach code vote; negotiated packages between the assembly, the senate, and the governor; other major bills that the Board should be made aware of; and potential advocacy next steps.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

3) Approve the Ad Hoc Committee's Proposed Operating Rules and Regulations (ORR) Amendments and Recommend Changes to the ORR via a Future Resolution (Action)

George Tyson, Chair, provided a presentation regarding the proposed amendments to SVCE's Operating Rules and Regulations (ORR) from the Ad Hoc Committee ("ORR Committee") formed by the Board of Directors on May 14, 2025 to review and propose amendments to SVCE's ORR. The presentation included the following:

- Review of SVCE's current Operating Rules and Regulations;
- Review of the Ad Hoc Committee's scope of work;
- Context of the purpose of reviewing SVCE's ORRs;
- An overview of other CCA's governance; and
- Highlights of the proposed changes, including processes.

Ad Hoc Committee members Director Showalter and Vice Chair Klein thanked Chair Tyson for his work on the Ad Hoc Committee and provided supportive comments on the proposed amendments.

Staff and Chair Tyson responded to questions and comments on the proposed ORR recommendations which included: history of close votes needing more than one round to achieve a majority vote; communication with local CCAs regarding processes, succession planning for continuity on the Board,

the addition of a Nominating Ad Hoc Committee and what the recommendations process would entail, justification of removal of the regular meeting day and time from the ORR, the Board meeting regular schedule approval process, and the preference of randomized voting when performing roll call votes.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

The Board discussed timing of approving the regular meeting schedule via resolution for the year, date certainty in the regular meeting schedule to remain as the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., and flexibility when needing to change a meeting date, for example if the regular meeting date lands on a holiday.

MOTION: Director Mekechuk moved and Director Walia seconded the motion to approve the amended SVCE's Operating Rules and Regulations as set forth by the Ad Hoc Committee via Resolution at a future Board meeting.

The motion carried by a randomized verbal roll call vote with Directors Hilton and Barbadillo absent.

4) Adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Operating Budget, and the Recommendation to Maintain the Current Financial Reserves Targets and Policy (Action)

Amrit Singh, Chief Financial Officer, presented a request for the Board to adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 (FY 26) recommended operating budget and maintain the current financial reserves targets and policy.

Highlights of the proposed budget included:

- A negative contribution to reserves of \$40.1 million for FY 26;
- Maintaining an average of four percent (4%) customer discount to comparable Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) rates through December 2025 and reduce it to one percent (1%) in January 2026;
- Continuing to provide additional monthly dollar bill credit to California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) customers, which in the aggregate is equivalent to a one percent (1%) discount for all customers; and
- No proposed changes to the current financial reserves targets and policy

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

CFO Singh responded to questions and comments regarding the timeline of the one-time customer bill credit rebate, and the importance of SVCE's stress test and reserves.

MOTION: Director Walia moved and Director Scozzola seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2025-20 approving the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Operating Budget, and the Recommendation to Maintain the Current Financial Reserves Targets and Policy.

The motion carried with Directors Hilton and Barbadillo absent.

5) Introduction to the Integrated Decarbonization Roadmap (Informational)

Director of Decarbonization Policy and Community Strategies Elizabeth provided information regarding an update to the original 2018 Decarbonization Strategy & Programs Roadmap, referred to as the Integrated Decarbonization Roadmap. Information presented included the following:

- Key elements of the 2018 Decarbonization Strategy and Programs Roadmap;
- Highlights of what the planned update will cover; and
- Estimate timeline for completion

Staff responded to questions and comments regarding community outreach and incorporation of feedback received from stakeholder partners, staff's engagement with Board member agencies and a recommendation to consider copying Board members and City Managers in correspondence with member agency staff, and creation of a potential program template to track performance goals to be shared with other member agencies.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

Board Member Announcements and Future Agenda Items

On behalf of former Alternate Director Javed Ellahie, Director Mekechuk expressed his gratitude to the Board and staff for the get well flowers.

Director Martinez Beltran provided a recommendation to the Board for a future agenda item on performance tracking related to the Integrated Decarbonization Roadmap.

Public Comment on Closed Session

No speakers.

Closed Session

The Board of Directors convened to Closed Session at 8:54 p.m.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: Title: Chief Executive Officer

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS Agency designated representatives: Director Tyson, Board Chair, and Director Klein, Board Vice Chair
Unrepresented employee: Chief Executive Officer

The Board of Directors reconvened from Closed Session at 9:54 p.m.

Report from Closed Session

Chair Tyson announced that the Board met in Closed Session and there was nothing to report.

Adjourn

Chair Tyson adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

ATTEST:  DocuSigned by:
Andrea Pizano
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Andrea Pizano, Board Secretary