# Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority Board of Directors Special Meeting

Wednesday, May 9, 2018 7:00 pm

Cupertino Community Hall 10350 Torre Avenue Cupertino, CA

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

## **Call to Order**

Chair Corrigan called the meeting to order at 8:59 p.m.

## Roll Call

A roll call was not heard; the following Directors were in attendance:

#### Present:

Chair Courtenay Corrigan, Town of Los Altos Hills Vice Chair Margaret Abe-Koga, City of Mountain View

Director Marsha Grilli, City of Milpitas

Director Steve Tate, City of Morgan Hill

Director Nancy Smith, City of Sunnyvale

Director Howard Miller, City of Saratoga

Director Rod Sinks, City of Cupertino

Director Rob Rennie, Town of Los Gatos

Director Daniel Harney, City of Gilroy

Director Liz Gibbons, City of Campbell (by teleconference from 55 Alder Lane, North Falmouth, MA 02556)

Director Jeannie Bruins, City of Los Altos

Director Burton Craig, City of Monte Sereno

#### Absent:

Director Dave Cortese, County of Santa Clara

#### Regular Calendar

# 1) Authorize Chair and CEO to Finalize a Letter in Response to the CPUC's Draft Green Book (Action)

CEO Girish Balachandran introduced the item and responded to Board questions.

General Counsel Greg Stepanicich described the process for obtaining Director signatures for the final letter: after taking comments from the Board, the proposed letter would be revised and sent to each Board member individually for members to review and provide comments to Staff. Staff would then review

the letter with the Chair to finalize, and a final version of the letter would individually be distributed to Board members for concurrence to include each signature.

Manager of Regulatory and Legislative Effectiveness Hilary Staver provided comments on the CPUC's draft Green Book.

Directors provided feedback and suggestions regarding the proposed letter which included adding City seals with signatures to the letter, turning text in key phrases bold, rephrasing the last sentence of the first paragraph to be a positive reflection on what CCAs are bringing and how they should be supported, stating what CCAs are doing and include the positives of who we are and what has been done already, rephrase the last paragraph to end on a positive note, include more information about SVCE, tie the letter back to something legislature has already achieved and how much CCAs are exceeding goals, engaging Supervisor Joe Simitian and Director Cortese to provide input, establish a clear purpose of the letter, and take an offensive approach.

Chair Corrigan commented SVCE and CalCCA plan to respond directly to the Green Book and the CPUC as appropriate when the opportunity presents itself and refute information they have decided to publish in the Green Book.

Chair Corrigan summarized Board comments regarding the letter as follows: add positivity to the letter on things that SVCE does, including to remind legislators that CCAs were founded based on the actions legislators have already taken and the Green Book is contrary to these actions; throughout the letter bold or italicize words to highlight key messages; include a fact sheet on background information of SVCE as a cover letter or a separate sheet to be used during Sacramento Lobby Day; and, if possible, have Supervisor Joe Simitian provide input.

Chair Corrigan confirmed direction to Staff and summarized the process for approval of the letter: Staff will produce a second draft of the letter which would be sent to the Board, members should provide a timely response with approval or proposed edits, once edits are received by staff and incorporated, one final draft will be sent to Board members and final approval will be needed before signatures will be added. Director Sinks confirmed with Chair Corrigan the City seal should also be added to the letter.

MOTION: Director Sinks moved and Director Rennie seconded the motion to authorize the Chair of the SVCE Board and the Chief Executive Officer to finalize and send a letter to state legislators in response to the report released by the Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on May 3<sup>rd</sup> entitled "California Customer Choice: An Evaluation of Regulatory Framework Options for an Evolving Electricity Market" (also known as the "Green Book); with the process summarized by Chair Corrigan.

Director Sinks emphasized the need for an expeditious process to complete the letter prior to SVCE's Sacramento Lobby Day; Direct Bruins clarified the Board comments regarding the letter summarized by Chair Corrigan were suggestions and not required.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with Director Cortese absent.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

Chair Corrigan adjourned the special meeting at 9:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY