

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-37

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY COMMENDING DIRECTOR ROD SINKS FOR HIS PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY CLEAN ENERGY IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY AND HIS DEDICATED SERVICE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CUPERTINO.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (“SVCEA”) was formed on March 31, 2016, with eleven Cities and Towns and the County of Santa Clara deciding to become the initial members; and

WHEREAS, Rod Sinks played an important role as Councilmember in the City of Cupertino in promoting community clean energy in Santa Clara County and forming SVCEA with his City as a member; and

WHEREAS, the Cupertino City Council appointed Rod Sinks as its first representative on the Board of Directors of SVCEA; and

WHEREAS, Rod Sinks served as the founding Board Chair on the Board of Directors of SVCEA; and

WHEREAS, Rod Sinks actively participated in key decisions setting up the organization and management of SVCEA, which made it possible for SVCEA to launch Community Choice Energy service in April 2017; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks established and led committees to provide advice, support and program input to SVCEA; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks guided sound financial policy which led to obtaining the first SVCEA credit rating; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks took a lead role in crafting an assertive legislative advocacy strategy for SVCEA, and put in the hours needed to work with elected officials in Sacramento to influence state energy policy; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks directed SVCEA to establish the ground-breaking Decarbonization Strategy and Programs Roadmap, adopting strategic plans to reduce not only electricity emissions but also emissions associated with buildings and transportation; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks guided SVCEA to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Joint Action Plan, increasing accessibility of electric vehicle chargers throughout Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks supported SVCEA’s Building Decarbonization Joint Action Plan, which defines strategies to reduce building emissions; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks committed SVCEA to over \$1 billion in long-term contracts for solar-plus-storage and geothermal power, securing new renewable energy projects and reliability for SVCEA customers; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks supported the funding of innovative pilot projects to address local emissions; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks assisted in the development and establishment of \$10 million in funding for COVID-19 relief programs for residents, businesses, workforce development and community resilience; and

WHEREAS, Director Sinks helped establish reach codes in the City of Cupertino, supporting a healthy community and cost savings; and


WHEREAS, Director Sinks directed SVCEA to provide carbon-free electricity resulting in a 24% reduction in overall community emissions since 2015; and


WHEREAS, while serving on the board of SVCEA, Director Sinks voted for electricity rates that saved Cupertino customers more than \$4 million on their energy bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of SVCEA hereby commends Director Rod Sinks and expresses its sincere appreciation for his promotion of Community Choice Energy in Santa Clara County and his dedicated service as a member of the Board of Directors of the Authority.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 9th day of December 2020, by the following vote:

JURISDICTION	NAME	AYE	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
City of Campbell	Director Gibbons	✓			
City of Cupertino	Alternate Director Willey	✓			
City of Gilroy	Director Tovar				✓
City of Los Altos	Director Fligor	✓			
Town of Los Altos Hills	Director Tyson	✓			
Town of Los Gatos	Director Rennie	✓			
City of Milpitas	Director Montano				✓
City of Monte Sereno	Director Ellahie	✓			
City of Morgan Hill	Alternate Director Eulo	✓			
City of Mountain View	Director Abe-Koga	✓			
County of Santa Clara	Director Ellenberg	✓			
City of Saratoga	Director Miller	✓			
City of Sunnyvale	Director Smith	✓			

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 Chair

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