



**Silicon Valley Clean Energy  
Executive Committee Meeting**

Friday, August 28, 2020  
8:30 a.m.

Howard Miller, Chair  
City of Saratoga

Nancy Smith, Vice Chair  
City of Sunnyvale

Liz Gibbons  
City of Campbell

Rod Sinks  
City of Cupertino

Fred M. Tovar  
City of Gilroy

Neysa Fligor  
City of Los Altos

George Tyson  
Town of Los Altos Hills

Rob Rennie  
Town of Los Gatos

Carmen Montano  
City of Milpitas

Javed Ellahie  
City of Monte Sereno

Yvonne Martinez Beltran  
City of Morgan Hill

Margaret Abe-Koga  
City of Mountain View

Susan Ellenberg  
County of Santa Clara

Pursuant to State of California Executive Order N-29-20, dated March 17, 2020, the meeting was conducted via teleconference.

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

Chair Howard Miller, City of Saratoga  
Vice Chair Nancy Smith, City of Sunnyvale  
Director Liz Gibbons, City of Campbell  
Director Rod Sinks, City of Cupertino

**Absent:**

Director Margaret Abe-Koga, Mountain View

All committee members participated via teleconference.

**Public Comment on Matters Not Listed on the Agenda**

No speakers.

**Consent Calendar**

MOTION: Vice Chair Smith moved and Director Gibbons seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously by verbal roll call vote with Director Abe-Koga absent.

- 1a) Approve Minutes of the June 26, 2020, Executive Committee Meeting**
- 1b) Approve Minutes of the July 29, 2020, Executive Committee Special Meeting**
- 1c) Approve Reschedule Date of the November and December Executive Committee Meetings to November 23, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.**

**Regular Calendar**

**2) CEO Update (Discussion)**

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Howard Miller, Chair  
City of Saratoga

CEO Girish Balachandran presented a PowerPoint presentation on upcoming Board meeting items, which included establishing a renewable power prepay option, creation of a super JPA for long-duration storage and other large multi-CCA transactions, the SVCE FY20-21 budget, other informational items. CEO Balachandran provided an update on the recent blackouts, and noted an upcoming op-ed piece being co-authored by Director Ellenberg. Power Supply Manager Ian Williams provided a verbal update on the power blackouts.

Nancy Smith, Vice Chair  
City of Sunnyvale

Liz Gibbons  
City of Campbell

CEO Balachandran responded to committee member questions. The committee discussed the renewable power prepay option.

Rod Sinks  
City of Cupertino

Director Gibbons requested an update be provided on the time of use transition at the Board of Directors meeting.

Fred M. Tovar  
City of Gilroy

Chair Miller opened public comment.

Bruce Karney provided comments and questions on the power prepay agreement and consternation from other community members on the power blackouts.

Neysa Fligor  
City of Los Altos

Tony Eulo commented appreciation to Communications Manager Pamela Leonard for the messaging provided to board members to encourage members of the community to conserve energy during peak hours, and inquired if there is a way of knowing how responsible SVCE customers were in responding to the request, and if there is a way to see patterns of energy consumptions amongst cities that shared the information.

George Tyson  
Town of Los Altos Hills

Rob Rennie  
Town of Los Gatos

Chair Miller closed public comment.

CEO Balachandran responded to Mr. Karney's questions and noted a meeting would be scheduled with him to discuss the power prepay agreement in more detail. CEO Balachandran noted staff would discuss Mr. Eulo's inquiry and get back to him and committee members.

Carmen Montano  
City of Milpitas

Javed Ellahie  
City of Monte Sereno

### **3) Strategic Plan Update (Discussion)**

CEO Balachandran presented a PowerPoint presentation on the progress of the Strategic Plan.

Yvonne Martinez Beltran  
City of Morgan Hill

Chair Miller opened public comment.

No speakers.

Margaret Abe-Koga  
City of Mountain View

Chair Miller closed public comment.

Susan Ellenberg  
County of Santa Clara

### **4) Update on Master Service Agreements for Program Admin Support (Discussion)**

Director of Decarbonization and Grid Innovation Programs Aimee Bailey presented a PowerPoint presentation and responded to committee member questions regarding the master service agreements with SMUD, CSE and ADM.

Director Gibbons suggested staff check SVCE policy on duration of contracts; CEO Balachandran confirmed he would check policy and commented general practice is to have three to five-year terms before going back out to bid.



Howard Miller, Chair  
City of Saratoga

Director Sinks inquired what the overhead in program administration would be if the contracts were extended; Director of Decarbonization and Grid Innovation Programs Bailey noted staff would calculate and get back with an answer.

Nancy Smith, Vice Chair  
City of Sunnyvale

Director Sinks suggested adding contextual information including the run rate of the contracts, the point that contracts are being continued in the interest of efficiency, and due to the pandemic, more work is being done than anticipated.

Liz Gibbons  
City of Campbell

Chair Miller opened public comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Miller closed public comment.

Rod Sinks  
City of Cupertino

**5) Amend Resolution Authorizing the CEO to Grant Current 20 Days of Paid-Time-Off to Employees Affected by the COVID-19 Disease to Include Employee Time Off for Personal Emergency Response Related to Wildfire Events (Discussion)**

Fred M. Tovar  
City of Gilroy

CEO Balachandran introduced the item.

Neysa Fligor  
City of Los Altos

The committee discussed the request to include emergency situations in the 20 days of paid-time-off. The committee was in consensus to support the request, tie the resolution to the fiscal year, and call out the disasters which the resolution would cover.

George Tyson  
Town of Los Altos Hills

Chair Miller opened public comment.

Rob Rennie  
Town of Los Gatos

Tony Eulo commented the City of Morgan Hill received a notification from the state regarding an infestation of oriental fruit flies.

Chair Miller closed public comment.

Carmen Montano  
City of Milpitas

**Committee/Staff Remarks**

Chair Miller noted it was a spare the air day.

Javed Ellahie  
City of Monte Sereno

**Adjournment**

Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Yvonne Martinez Beltran  
City of Morgan Hill

ATTEST:

SECRETARY

Margaret Abe-Koga  
City of Mountain View

Susan Ellenberg  
County of Santa Clara