



**Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
Wednesday, January 10, 2024  
7:00 pm

Cupertino Community Hall  
10350 Torre Avenue  
Cupertino, CA

2302 Zanker Road  
San Jose, CA

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Call to Order:**

Chair Tyson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Prior to Roll Call, Director Chua stated she was participating remotely pursuant to AB 2449 under the "Just Cause" provision due to a physical disability that could not be accommodated and her spouse was present in the room.

**Roll Call**

**Present:**

George Tyson (Chair), Los Altos Hills  
Tina Walia (Vice Chair), Saratoga  
Elliot Scozzola, Campbell  
Hung Wei, Cupertino  
Rebeca Armendariz, Gilroy (participated remotely)  
Sally Meadows, Los Altos  
Rob Rennie, Los Gatos  
Evelyn Chua, Milpitas (participated remotely)  
Bryan Mekechuk, Monte Sereno  
Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Morgan Hill  
Pat Showalter, Mountain View  
Larry Klein, Sunnyvale

**Absent:**

Otto Lee, Santa Clara County

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

No speakers.

**Adopt Resolution Commending George Tyson for His Dedicated Service as Chair of the Board of Directors in 2023**

Vice Chair Walia presented Chair Tyson with a plaque and resolution on behalf of the Board of Directors and thanked him for his leadership as Chair in 2023.

Vice Chair Walia opened public comment.  
No speakers.  
Vice Chair Walia closed public comment.

Board members shared their appreciation for Chair Tyson's service as Chair; Chair Tyson provided brief comments.

**MOTION: Director Rennie moved and Director Mekechuk seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 2024-01 Commending Director George Tyson for his dedicated service as Chair of the SVCE Board of Directors in 2023.**

**The motion carried unanimously by verbal roll call vote with Director Lee 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 December 13, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting
- 1b) Receive November 2023 Treasurer Report
- 1c) Appoint SVCE Treasurer/Auditor and Board Secretary for 2024
- 1d) Receive SVCE Rate Schedules Effective Jan. 1, 2024
- 1e) Adopt Resolution to Update Non-Standard Pricing Agreement Policy to Clarify Supporting Products or Services
- 1f) Approve an Allocation of Program Fund Dollars of \$3.45 million to Expand the FutureFit Homes Program and the Silicon Valley Building Electrification: Stronger Together (SVBEST) Program
- 1g) California Community Power Report
- 1h) Additional Committee Reports

**MOTION: Vice Chair Walia moved and Director Martinez Beltran seconded the motion to approve the Consent Calendar, Items 1a through 1h.**

**The motion carried unanimously by verbal roll call vote with Director Lee absent.**

### **Regular Calendar**

#### **2) CEO Report (Discussion)**

CEO Girish Balachandran addressed the following in his report:

- 1) Zoe Elizabeth, Deputy Director of Decarbonization Programs and Policy, provided an update on the Ninth Circuit Ruling on the Berkeley gas ban, noting SVCE staff would be available to work with member agency staff and answer any questions;
- 2) An update from COO and Director of Power Resources Monica Padilla on her transition to CEO; and
- 3) A report on the first meeting of the Transition Ad Hoc Committee.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

#### **3) Elect a Chair and Vice Chair of the SVCE Board of Directors for 2024 (Action)**

Sr. Executive Assistant and Board Clerk Andrea Pizano introduced the item and noted interest was received for Chair and Vice Chair of the Board from the following board members:

Chair – Director Tina Walia

Vice Chair – Director Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Director Bryan Mekechuk and Director George Tyson

Chair Tyson opened the floor for additional nominations for the role of Chair; there were none.

Director Walia provided brief comments on her interest in serving as Chair.

Chair Tyson opened Public Comment.

No speakers.

Chair Tyson closed Public Comment.

**MOTION: Director Mekechuk moved and Director Martinez Beltran seconded the motion to appoint Director Tina Walia as Chair of the 2024 SVCE Board of Directors.**

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

Director Tyson announced newly appointed Chair Walia would preside over the remainder of the meeting; Chair Walia thanked board members and provided brief comments.

Chair Walia opened the floor for additional nominations for the role of Vice Chair; there were none.

Chair Walia requested Director Martinez Beltran, Director Mekechuk and Director Tyson speak briefly to their interest in the role of Vice Chair; the Directors provided comments on their interest.

Board members provided comments of support.

Chair Walia summarized the process for selection of the Vice Chair:

- A roll call vote would be taken on the three Directors who expressed interest in Vice Chair;
- Board members would vote for their selection of Vice Chair by name;
- In the event a majority vote of seven was not reached, the two individuals with the highest votes would proceed to an additional round of votes until seven votes were received for one person.

Board Clerk Pizano noted members would be called on in alphabetical order by member agency.

**VOTE FOR THE POSITION OF VICE CHAIR (1<sup>st</sup>):**

Director Scozzola: Martinez Beltran

Alternate Director Wei: Tyson

Alternate Director Armendariz: Martinez Beltran

Director Meadows: Tyson

Director Tyson: Tyson

Director Rennie: Martinez Beltran

Director Chua: Tyson

Director Mekechuk: Mekechuk

Director Martinez Beltran: Martinez Beltran

Director Showalter: Martinez Beltran

Director Walia: Tyson

Director Klein: Tyson

Board Clerk Pizano reported six votes for Director Tyson, five votes for Director Martinez Beltran, one vote for Mekechuk.

Since a majority vote of seven was not reached, the group proceeded with a second round of votes with Director Martinez Beltran and Director Tyson.

**VOTE FOR THE POSITION OF VICE CHAIR (2<sup>nd</sup>):**

Director Scozzola: Martinez Beltran  
Alternate Director Wei: Tyson  
Alternate Director Armendariz: Martinez Beltran  
Director Meadows: Tyson  
Director Tyson: Tyson  
Director Rennie: Martinez Beltran  
Director Chua: Tyson  
Director Mekechuk: Tyson  
Director Martinez Beltran: Martinez Beltran  
Director Showalter: Martinez Beltran  
Director Walia: Tyson  
Director Klein: Tyson

Board Clerk Pizano reported seven votes for Director Tyson, and five votes for Director Martinez Beltran.

**MOTION: Director Rennie moved and Director Martinez Beltran seconded the motion to appoint Director George Tyson as Vice Chair of the SVCE Board of Directors for 2024.**

**The motion carried unanimously by verbal roll call vote with Director Lee absent.**

**4) Appoint Directors to the 2024 SVCE Executive Committee (Action)**

Board Clerk Pizano reported six Directors expressed interest in joining the 2024 Executive Committee:  
Director Yvonne Martinez Beltran,  
Director Larry Klein,  
Director Sally Meadows,  
Director Bryan Mekechuk,  
Director George Tyson, and  
Director Tina Walia.

Chair Walia opened Public Comment.  
No speakers.  
Chair Walia closed Public Comment.

**MOTION: Director Rennie moved and Director Scozzola seconded the motion to appoint the following directors to the 2024 SVCE Executive Committee: Director Tina Walia, Director Bryan Mekechuk, Director Yvonne Martinez Beltran, Director Larry Klein, Director George Tyson, and Director Meadows.**

**The motion carried unanimously by verbal roll call vote with Director Lee absent.**

**Board Member Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

Director Chua shared she recommended to the Milpitas City Council a “Going Electric Tuesday” with a section dedicated on the City of Milpitas’ website.

**Adjourn**

Chair Walia adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

DocuSigned by:

*Andrea Pizano*

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Andrea Pizano, Board Secretary