



MEETING of the Executive Committee of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

1:30 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

1. [Approve Minutes from December 16, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

2. [Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations](#)
3. [Review Draft Agenda for February 4, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting](#)

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURN – NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2021

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MEETING of the Executive Committee of the
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California
Wednesday, December 16, 2020 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Executive Committee conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chair Diana Mahmud called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and Clerk of the Board Gabriela Monzon conducted roll call.

Roll Call			
Agoura Hills	Deborah Klein Lopez	Committee Member	Remote
Beverly Hills	Julian Gold	Committee Member	Remote
Los Angeles County	Sheila Kuehl	Vice Chair	Remote
Oxnard	Carmen Ramirez	Committee Member	Remote
Rolling Hills Estates	Steve Zuckerman	Committee Member	Remote
Santa Monica	Kevin McKeown	Committee Member	Remote
South Pasadena	Diana Mahmud	Chair	Remote
Ventura County	Linda Parks	Vice Chair	Remote
West Hollywood	Lindsey Horvath	Committee Member	Remote

All items are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes from November 18, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting

Motion: Vice Chair Kuehl, Los Angeles County
Second: Committee Member McKeown, Santa Monica
Vote: Item 1 was approved by a roll call vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations

Ted Bardacke, Executive Director, announced that CPA will welcome incoming board members through January and February 2021 and that staff is prepared to begin the onboarding process. Mr. Bardacke also informed the Committee of his appointment as Vice President on the California Community Choice Association (CalCCA); and that both the Mohave Wind Project and Golden Field Solar Project are coming online ahead of schedule.

Vice Chair Parks noted the important of doing outreach to showcase the projects and Committee Member Gold asked about the financial impact, if any, of a project coming online earlier than anticipated. Staff responded that there is marketing planned via the newsletter and a press release will be going out in the new year; and clarified that projects coming online ahead of schedule do offset the need to purchase additional energy, but staff anticipates this and plans accordingly. In response to Chair Mahmud's question about the Mohave Wind Project's anticipated capacity, Natasha Keefer, Director of Power Planning and Procurement, shared that staff will not know how resources are performing until enough base data is collected during the output of test energy and the site is operating under CPA's performance guarantees.

Lastly, Mr. Bardacke discussed the planned 2021 Board of Directors reception and requested feedback. Committee Members expressed satisfaction with the draft agenda, particularly the virtual tour of CPA's new projects.

3. Presentation on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Planning

Karen Schmidt, Senior Advisor for Strategy, discussed organizational and state-mandated efforts to create a DEI plan in the first two quarters of 2021 that includes three components: supplier diversity; customer program spending and community investments; and internal diversity. Additionally, Ms. Schmidt reviewed Senate Bill (SB) 255 requirements, including the submittal of a report on procurement from women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises (WMDVLGBT) and a plan for increasing procurement from small, local, and diverse business enterprises. Ms. Schmidt explained that supplier diversity addressed metrics on spending and data collection; and organizational goals around increasing diversity through activities that include workforce development partnerships, supplier outreach and development, and supply chain management. The customer program spending and community investments component focused on how CPA utilizes program spend and the ways that those are supporting equity and inclusion goals; workforce development; and grants to Community Based Organizations (CBOs). The

third component is internal diversity and includes developing metrics around staff, leadership, Board, and CAC diversity and establishing staff recruitment practices and advancement opportunities. Ms. Schmidt explained that the DEI plan includes proposed metrics for each of the three components, proposed goals, and a road map. Over the next few months, Ms. Schmidt noted that CPA staff will undertake a process that includes data collection, a goal-setting stage, implementation planning, and review and feedback collection from the Board of Directors.

In response to Committee Member Horvath's questions regarding a metric for the impacts of CPA programs on communities of color and their participation, Ms. Schmidt noted that the customer programs and community investments component will aim to track that as well.

Chair Mahmud commented that the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) maintains a certified WMDVLGBT supplier list and asked how this list may affect those enterprises wanting to do business with CPA and if any verification by CPA of such a certification would be conducted. Ms. Schmidt noted that there are no requirements to source from the CPUC list at this time, even though it has been previously discussed. In response to Committee Member Gold's questions regarding reporting requirements to member counties in CPA's jurisdiction, Mr. Bardacke and General Counsel Nancy Whang opined that neither SB 255 and CPA's governing documents have any reporting requirements to member counties or cities.

Vice Chair Kuehl added that the County of Los Angeles had started an Anti-Racism, Diversity and Inclusion initiative that emphasized three focus areas to not only address compliance requirements but also embrace internal diversity and modified contracting procedures to be more inclusive; and noted that CPA has the opportunity not just to comply but lead and exemplify in this area.

Vice Chair Parks added that the County of Ventura also created a DEI task force to address diversity and appropriately distribute resources to those who need them the most.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Kuehl thanked staff for their work in moving CPA forward in the energy industry and noted that CPA may be able to potentially impact the national agenda.

Committee Member Zuckerman inquired about the benefits of grid infrastructure to Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs) like CPA. Mr. Bardacke explained that a robust grid benefits everyone in the industry and at a national level, discussions about improving the grid overall will take place, with the Western United States being a focus area in the conversation.

Committee Member Ramirez commented that an overview of the national strategy and CPA's ability to showcase its' work would be very beneficial to the organization. Vice Chair Kuehl and Chair Mahmud expressed interest in exploring ways to serve as a model to other areas of the country where CCAs do not exist.

ADJOURN

Chair Mahmud adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

DRAFT

Staff Report – Agenda Item 2

To: Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Executive Committee

From: Ted Bardacke, Executive Director

Subject: Oral Update from the Executive Director on CPA Operations

Date: January 20, 2021

The Executive Director will provide an oral report, including an update on the following items:

- Upcoming SCE Rate Adjustment and CPA Revenue Impact
- Incoming Board Members
- Transition from “Opt-Out Rate” to “Participation Rate”

Staff Report – Agenda Item 3

To: Clean Power Alliance (CPA) Executive Committee

From: Ted Bardacke, Executive Director

Subject: Review Draft Agenda for February 4, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting

Date: January 20, 2021

Staff will provide an overview of the proposed agenda items for the February 4, 2021 Board of Directors meeting for review and feedback from the Executive Committee. The Draft Board agenda is attached to this staff report. Information on the main items for Board consideration is provided below.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are recommended for inclusion on the Consent Agenda of the February Board meeting.

Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

On December 8th, CAC Vice Chair Robert Parkhurst was sworn in as a newly elected Councilmember for the City of Sierra Madre. Mr. Parkhurst had represented the San Gabriel Valley sub-region and his departure leaves a vacancy on the CAC. Councilmember Parkhurst has subsequently been appointed to be Sierra Madre's representative to the CPA Board and has joined the Energy Committee.

Over the last month staff solicited interest for new candidates for the open San Gabriel Valley position. Staff is recommending the Board appoint Kim Luu at the February meeting. Ms. Luu is a resident of Alhambra and a member of that city's Environmental Commission. Her application summary is included as Attachment 2.

Legislative Bill Positions

Pending additional bill language, staff may present one or more bill positions to the Legislative & Regulatory Committee on January 27, 2021 for review and feedback. These bill positions would then be provided to the Board for consideration on February 4th. This will be the first of several rounds of bill positions that staff will present to the Board. Major bill themes CPA will likely be taking positions on include those related to the electricity market (including procurement responsibilities, cost allocation, reliability, and environmental targets), climate change mitigation and adaptation, and funding for local community environmental projects.

REGULAR AGENDA

The following items are recommended for inclusion on the Regular Agenda of the February Board meeting.

Amendments to the Reserve Policy

On March 7, 2019 the Board approved CPA's Reserve Policy. The Reserve Policy establishes targets for the accumulation of reserves at the agency. On January 27, 2021, staff will present proposed amendments to the Finance Committee for review and feedback. The proposed amendments would incorporate a "days liquidity on hand" financial target into the Reserve Policy and expand the definition of reserves to include funds in the Fiscal Stabilization Fund.

California Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (CALeVIP) Service Agreements & Program Launch

On January 9, 2020, the Board approved CPA's letter of intent to participate in the California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (CALeVIP) South-Central Coast Incentive Project (SCCIP) to support the installation of electric vehicle chargers with a minimum financial contribution of \$533,000 in 2021 and the potential for additional funding between 2021-2023. The Ventura County Air Pollution Control District is also a funder of this project.

On August 19, 2020 the Executive Committee approved CPA's letter of intent to commit \$1,000,000 in 2021/22 funds to support the installation of electric vehicles chargers in Los Angeles County via CALeVIP's Southern California Incentive Project with the potential for additional funding between 2022-2023.

Both projects are incentive programs for publicly accessible electric vehicle chargers. The program is administered by the Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE) and the California Energy Commission (CEC) provides match funding. Incentive levels generally range from \$6,000 for Level 2 and up to \$70,000 for Level 3 (DC fast chargers), or up to \$80,000 for Level 3 if located in a Disadvantaged Community (DAC).

The CEC has selected the SCCIP for funding and has informed CPA staff that it intends to fund the Southern California Incentive project as well. Pending completion of contract negotiations, staff will present two contracts with the CEC and CSE to the Board for approval, one contract for each County. It is possible that one or both contracts could be ready for Board consideration by the February meeting.

The total projected funding amount of \$2,646,000 for Ventura County will support the project goals of installing 1,173 Level 2, and 20 Level 3 chargers. LA County total funding and project goals are currently under discussion and will focus on Level 2 chargers. CALeVIP has an existing LA County Level 3 program currently in place.

2020 Clean Energy RFO Shortlist Presentation

In October 2020, CPA launched its 2020 Clean Energy RFO targeting procurement of 1.5-2.0 million MWh of annual renewable energy. CPA received a robust response to the RFO from 105 conforming offers for renewable, renewable plus storage, and standalone storage long-term contracts. The Energy Planning & Resources Committee will consider a shortlist of projects for approval to proceed with power purchase agreement (PPA) negotiations during its January 27th meeting. A summary of the RFO and approved shortlist will be presented during the February meeting.

Management Update

Key items to be included in the Management Update are a discussion about rates and revenue implications, the transition to a “participation rate”, and availability of board education materials via online videos.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) [Draft February 4, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda](#)
- 2) [CAC Applicant Summary – Kim Luu](#)



**REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of the
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California**

Thursday, February 4, 2021

2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Minutes from December 3, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting
2. Approve New Appointment to Fill a Vacancy on the Community Advisory Committee
3. Approve 2021/2022 Legislative Bill Positions
4. Receive and File Community Advisory Committee Monthly Report

REGULAR AGENDA

Action Items

5. Approve Amendments to the Reserve Policy
6. Approve CALeVIP Service Agreements & Program Launch

Information Item

7. 2020 Clean Energy RFO Shortlist Presentation

MANAGEMENT UPDATE

COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATES

Director Lindsey Horvath, Chair, Legislative & Regulatory Committee

Director Julian Gold, Chair, Finance Committee

Director Kevin McKeown, Chair, Energy Planning & Resources Committee

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

ADJOURN – NEXT REGULAR MEETING ON MARCH 4, 2020

Candidate: Kim Luu **Subregion:** San Gabriel Valley **Eligible Candidate:** Yes

Section 1: Personal Contact Information

- A.** Home Address: Alhambra
B. Occupation: Environmental Sustainability Manager, JPL

Section 2: Qualifications

- A. Experience serving on advisory committees / public commission / similar bodies:**
- I have been a member of the Alhambra Environmental Committee since 2016, I am a part of the Clean Air SGV Stakeholder Working Group for API Forward Movement, a local nonprofit focused on environmental justice.
- B. Experience with outreach or community leadership:**
- Professionally, I have worked in community outreach mediating stakeholder charettes with community residents to identify common ground and critical issues. As an immigrant, I understand the struggles of growing up economically disadvantaged.
- C. Experience or expertise in energy field:**
- I have over 10 years of experience in the energy field, working as environmental sustainability manager for major corporations helping maximize energy efficiency, renewable energy, and electric vehicle charging capacity at the institutional level.
- D. Other skills / knowledge / experience to bring to Committee:**
- I am a licensed CA Professional Engineer and have published essays in Time and Saturday Evening Post. I am certified in Prosci Change Management and NASA Lean Six Sigma. I believe positive impact needs a combination of science, storytelling, and change management.

Section 3: Additional Information

- A. Why you are interested / what you hope to achieve:**
- I believe in helping make renewable energy accessible to more communities and believe CPA can help make renewable energy prices more competitive.
- B. All affiliations / councils / committees currently a member of:**
- City of Alhambra Environmental Commission
 - API Forward Movement - Clean Air SGV Working Group
- C. List other languages / ability to support non-English speaking communities:** Chinese, Vietnamese, and Italian
- D. Anything else you would like CPA to know:**
n/a

Section 4: Commitment

- A. Ability to make commitment:**
- I am able to make the above commitments.
- B. Signed to certify electric holder in CPA service territory and meet eligibility requirements?**
- Yes.

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