

## **MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING of the Community Advisory Committee of the  
Clean Power Alliance of Southern California

Thursday, May 19, 2022

1:00 p.m.

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

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Haake called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and Christian Cruz, Community Outreach Manager, conducted a roll call.

<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Angus Simmons (Vice-Chair)	Remote
<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Jennifer Burke	Remote
<b>East Ventura/West LA County</b>	Debbie West	Remote
<b>San Gabriel Valley</b>	Richard Tom	Remote
<b>San Gabriel Valley</b>	Kim Luu	Absent
<b>West/Unincorporated Ventura County</b>	Lucas Zucker	Remote
<b>West/Unincorporated Ventura County</b>	Vern Novstrup	Remote
<b>South Bay</b>	David Lesser	Remote
<b>South Bay</b>	Emmitt Hayes	Absent
<b>Gateway Cities</b>	Jaime Lopez	Absent
<b>Gateway Cities</b>	Genaro Bugarin	Remote
<b>Westside</b>	Cris Gutierrez	Remote
<b>Westside</b>	David Haake (Chair)	Remote
<b>Unincorporated Los Angeles County</b>	Neil Fromer	Remote
<b>Unincorporated Los Angeles County</b>	Kristie Hernandez (Vice-Chair)	Remote

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Minutes from April 21, 2022, Community Advisory Committee Meeting
2. Update on Implementation of Workplan Priorities

**Motion**                      Committee Member Gutierrez, Westside  
**Second**                      Committee Member Lesser, South Bay  
**Vote**                              The update and minutes were approved by a roll call vote

## REGULAR AGENDA

3. Oral Update from the Chief Executive Officer on CPA Operations

Chief Executive Officer Ted Bardacke highlighted CPA's virtual Lobby Day and thanked CAC members that were able to attend. The discussion was focused on the goals from SB1020, opportunities with the Governor's May budget revision, and bond posting with SCE. He also provided an update on the Board's rate option decision; the high revenue option was chosen; this option would also continue the freeze on CARE customer rates through the summer until October. The Board will formally adopt the rates in June, and they will go into effect in July.

Committee Member Gutierrez requested an update on CPA status regarding the 2045 goals. Mr. Bardacke responded that CPA's overall portfolio for 2023 is at 75% renewables and 85% carbon free.

Chair Haake requested that staff share legislators contact information with CAC members from their respective areas.

Committee Member Lesser requested guidance on the continuation of the NEM 3.0 policy proceedings. Mr. Bardacke responded that infrastructure is impacted by NEM 3.0 however CPA is not impacted. Committee Member Gutierrez added that CPA should take a position on NEM 3.0 for customer perception and leadership.

Committee Member Lesser inquired about CPA's messaging regarding rolling black outs as a way to avoid backlash and misinformation. Mr. Bardacke responded on the two ways CPA provides messaging on reliability the first is in moments of crisis when the state requests messaging CPA has three levels of notification. The second method is that CPA meets every regulator and supply requirement. In the case of a supply short fall this summer the reasoning is a lack of resources in the market. Chair Haake added suggesting that staff work on a position statement should a black out happen.

#### 4. CPA Operations Customer Programs Update

Jack Clark, Senior Director of Customer Programs gave an overview of the program staff and program updates. The programs reflect the goals and priorities of CPA, grid management & resiliency, electrification, and local procurement. Power Ready is a resiliency program where CPA member agencies have the opportunity to host a solar powered battery storage system that provides energy during critical times. A timeline was provided outlining key deadlines and tasks. Power Response is a demand response program that encourages residents and commercial customer to reduce energy usage during demand response events. This program is being scaled with marketing, expansion of offerings, and prioritization of low income and disadvantaged community engagement. EV charger incentive Program in Ventura which launched in August 2021 and LA counties which launched in April 2022. These chargers are automatically enrolled in demand response, Los Angeles has been fully reserved, but Ventura has 1.2 million remaining. Building Electrification Reach Codes, reach codes are local standards that go beyond state minimum requirements for energy use and EV infrastructure in building design, construction, and upgrades. A timeline was provided outlining key deadlines and tasks. Power Share program provides CARE/FERA eligible customer who live in disadvantaged census tracts with 100% clean electricity and a 20% bill discount on top of their CARE/FERA discount. Power Share Community Solar prioritizes residents that live within 5 miles of the community solar site with a priority on community engagement. The next steps for the program outreach are marketing and outreach materials, community-based organization partnerships, and creating a partner pairing list to share contacts and encourage collaboration for Community Solar proposals. Workforce Development focuses on creating a trained workforce for emerging solar, battery and EV infrastructure technologies. Feedback was requested from the CAC in relation to outreach and engagement and mid-term strategic review.

Vice-Chair Simmons thanked staff, commended Santa Monica on reach code efforts, and inquired about the 2023 deadline for the Power Ready program. Mr. Clark clarified that CPA has engaged with all 32 member agencies. Although not all have been interested, CPA is open to working with them and is developing a new RFO.

Chair Haake added that reach codes in Culver City did not pass because of misinformation from SoCal Gas that claimed the program would remove gas from existing homes. Mr. Clark clarified that the program would mainly tackle new buildings rather than older buildings. CPA is aware of the challenge of new building and developments and will provide a phased approach to the program.

Committee Member West volunteered to provided outreach and engagement with the workforce program.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

Committee Member Fromer invited interested participants to a virtual webinar regarding the 2045 transition, *CE10 Caltech Energy 10* on June 13 and June 14, 2022.

Committee Member Gutierrez sat in a workshop with RAND, who is in the process of creating a report on the resources needed to fulfill the 2045 transition.

Chair Haake and Committee Member Zucker have been discussing hosting a forum on energy equity.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

No comments.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

Committee Member Gutierrez would like to discuss the resources needed to fulfill the 20445 transitions, beyond reach codes.

CAC Workplan education and youth initiative

**ADJOURN**

Chair Haake adjourned the meeting at 2:38 pm.