



**San Francisco Public Utilities Commission  
 Citizens' Advisory Committee  
 Power Subcommittee**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, August 6, 2019  
 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
 525 Golden Gate Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Tuolumne Conference Room**

**Mission:** The Power Subcommittee shall review power generation and transmission system reliability and improvement programs, including but not limited to facilities siting and alternatives energy programs, as well as other relevant plans, programs, and policies ([Admin Code 5.140-142](#)).

**Members**

**Chair Nate Kinsey**  
**(M-Large Water User)**  
 Moises Garcia (D9)

Steven Kight-Buckley (D3)  
 Mark Tang (M-Eng./Financial)

Jim McHugh (D4)

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment

Staff Liaisons: Tracy Zhu

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**1. Call to order and roll call**

**Members present at roll call:** (5) Kinsey, Kight, McHugh, Garcia, Tang

**Members Absent:** (0)

**2. Approve June 11, 2019 Minutes**

Motion was made (Garcia) and seconded (McHugh) to approve June 11, 2019 Minutes

AYES: (5) Kinsey, Kight, McHugh, Garcia, Tang

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

**3. Report from the Chair**

- Welcome members, staff, and the public

Public Comment : None

**4. Public Comment:** None

**London N. Breed**  
 Mayor

**Ann Moller Caen**  
 President

**Francesca Vietor**  
 Vice President

**Anson Moran**  
 Commissioner

**Sophie Maxwell**  
 Commissioner

**Tim Paulson**  
 Commissioner

**Harlan L. Kelly, Jr.**  
 General Manager



5. **Presentation and Discussion: Climate Action Strategy Update**, Richard Chien, Senior Environmental Specialist, SF Environment

**Presentation Topics:**

- Climate Action Commitment
- San Francisco Emission Sources Today
- Bold Goals Aggressive Reduction Targets
- Emission Reduced 36% Since 1990
- Climate Emergency Resolution
- Climate Action Strategy
- San Francisco Climate Action Framework
- Climate Action Strategy Policy Context
- Paris-Agreement Complaint Climate Action Strategy
- Climate Action Strategy: Assessment
- Climate Action Strategy Update Process
- Climate Action Strategy: Workstreams
- Focus 2030: A Pathway to Net Zero Emissions
- Key Finding: Ten Years to Act
- Goals Scenario: Achieving 2030 Targets
- Building Emissions Reductions by 2030
- Transportation Emissions Reduction by 2030
- Key Takeaway: A Path to 2050 Deep Reductions
- Residual Emissions Approach: Carbon Sequestration
- Board and Inclusive Benefits of Action

**Discussion: Topics:**

- *Chair Kinsey* asked what is the SFPUC role in the San Francisco Department of Environment Climate Action Strategy. *SFE staff Chien* responded that SFE partners with SFPUC in specific work orders and data sharing.
- *Member Garcia* asked what could SFPUC do to help reach emission reduction goals. *SFE staff Chien* responded that there has been a successful rollout of clean power SF and that getting residents switched over to SuperGreen is key.
- *Member Garcia* commented that although the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals are great, the report does not identify actions to achieve realistic goals. *SFE staff Chien* responded that the Plan left out actions if there were no accountability included.
- *SFE staff Chien* commented that the SFPUC can continue to further its messaging on the available renewable energy.

6. **Presentation and Discussion: Policy and Government Affairs Update**, Suzanne Merkelson, Senior Analyst, Policy and Government Affairs, External Affairs

**Presentation Topics:**

Resources

- [SFPUC's Quarterly Report Memo to the Board of Supervisors on the Status of Applications to PG&E for Electric Service](#)
- [Attachment A – List of Projects July 2019](#)
- [Attachment B – Map of Interconnection Issues](#)
- [Attachment C – Cost of Impacts July 2019](#)

**Discussion Topics:**

- *Member Garcia* asked what the current strategies are to mitigate the barriers from AB1054 added amendment. *Staff Merkelson* responded that they will need to amend the bill with the support of the Governor's Office.
- *Member Tang* asked if there is anyone working on trailing the legislation. *Staff Merkelson* responded that they are unable to speak to that because it is a sensitive conversation with the Mayor and Governor's office.
- *Staff Merkelson* commented that through acquiring PG&E electrical assets that they would be able to help reach climate goals while maintaining reliability and affordability.
- *Member Kinsey* asked when they could expect an offer to be made. *Staff Merkelson* responded that she is unable speak to that.

#### 7. Staff report

- Invitation to the Bayview Bistro Grand Opening, Thursday, August 15, at 11:30am at 4101 Third St. ([www.bayviewbistrosf.com](http://www.bayviewbistrosf.com))

#### 8. Future Agenda Items and Resolutions

- Equity Working Group Update – refer to the Full CAC after Phase 1 has been completed
- Air pollution monitoring
- Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) speakers
- CleanPowerSF Outreach
- Future Programs
- Program Development i.e. Electric Vehicles, Electrification, Multi-family Buildings, Storage, Time of Use Rates
- Low-Income Assistance Program
- Regulatory and Legislative Priorities

#### 9. Announcements/Comments: The next scheduled Power CAC meeting is October 1, 2019. Visit [www.sfwater.org/cac](http://www.sfwater.org/cac) for confirmation of the next scheduled meeting.

- *Member Garcia* asked about the possibility of a tour at Headworks.

#### 10. Adjournment

Motion was made (Garcia) and seconded (Tang) to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:53pm.