

San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Citizens' Advisory Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 525 Golden Gate Ave., 3rd Floor Tuolumne Conference Room

Mission: The purpose of the SFPUC CAC is to provide recommendations to the SFPUC General Manager, the SFPUC Commission, and the Board of Supervisors regarding the agency's long-term strategic, financial, and capital improvement plans (Admin Code 5.140-142).

Members:

Chair Moisés García (D9) Mark Tang (M-Eng/Financial) Steven Kight-Buckley (D3) Anietie Ekanem (D10) Jim McHugh (D4)

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment

Staff Liaisons: Tracy Zhu and Letitia Carpenter Staff Email for Public Comment: cac@sfwater.org

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order and roll call: The meeting was called to order at 5:32pm.

Members present at roll call: (3) García, Tang, Ekanem

Members Absent: (2) Kight, McHugh

Members of the Public: None.

2. Approve December 3, 2019 Minutes (5 minutes)

Motion was made (Tang) and seconded (Ekanem) to approve <u>December 3</u>, <u>2019</u> minutes

AYES: (3) García, Tang, Ekanem

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: Kight, McHugh

Public Comment: None.

- 3. Report from the Chair Moisés García
 - Report back from the FY21-22 Budget hearings.
 - Issues: No recording or public advertisement.
 - Next steps: Stay up to date on upcoming process to advocate for CAC priorities.

OUR MISSION: To provide our customers with high-quality, efficient and reliable water, power and sewer services in a manner that values environmental and community interests and sustains the resources entrusted to our care.

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> Tim Paulson Commissioner

Harlan L. Kelly, Jr. General Manager



Public Comment: None.

4. **Public Comment:** Members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda

None.

 Presentation and Discussion: Power Communications Briefing, Peter Gallotta, Power Communications Manager; Karaline Bridgeford, Power Communications Staff; Cassidy Wallerstein, Power Communications Staff; Communications Division, External Affairs, Julia Allman, CleanPowerSF; Kaitlin McGee, CleanPowerSF (10 minutes)

Presentation Topics:

- Introduction
- Recap on Activities of Power Communications Team (2019)
- Preview of 2020 Goals
- Strategies of Achieving these Goals
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Integrated Resources Plan

Discussion Topics:

- Member Ekanem asked for examples of questions that CBO's traditionally ask during the IRP.
 Staff Gallotta responded with programs and initiatives that can potentially come out of the IRP process and that the engagement provides an opportunity for community members to gain awareness around the IRP process and future goals.
- Mark Tang commented that no one really knows what CleanPowerSF is and asked how CleanPowerSF is thinking about expanding the communities knowledge.
- Staff Gallotta stated that CleanPowerSF is launching a customer newsletter and expanding outreach to the community.
- *Member García* requested receiving the list of stakeholders that the CleanPowerSF team will reach out to for IRP engagement.
- Member García also asked for an update on the PCIA.
 Staff Allman responded that the PCIA is expected to increase up to the cap in May and that they are expecting a PG&E generation rates change in mid Spring.

Staff Allman added that the February 25th rate action will solidify CleanPowerSF's rate making methodology (taking up the PCIA, plus a percentage discount that's within a certain band, and giving some kind of automatic discretion in order to keep up with these consistent PG&E rate changes).

 Member Ekanem asked if there were any plans to provide other service options under Hetch Hetchy?
 Staff Allman responded that the Greenest Green Campaign is in development to provide Hetchy customers with an option for a RPSeligible offering.

Public Comment: None.

 Presentation and Discussion: Equity Framework for CleanPowerSF Update, Kaitlin McGee, Utility Analyst; Julia Allman, Utility Specialist; CleanPowerSF, Power Enterprise (15 minute presentation, 10-15 minute discussion)

Presentation Topics:

- Working Group Overview
- What is Equity?
- Progress Update
- Draft Equity Framework Pillars
- Draft Community Engagement Plan
- Customer Needs Survey
- Environmental Justice Training
- Next Steps

Discussion Topics:

- *Member Ekanem* asked how many survey responses they received? *Staff McGee* responded that they received right around 400 and over sampled approximately 180 low-income households.
- Member Tang asked what the environmental justice training includes, are there any anticipated outcomes of the training, and how might this will be operationalized and incorporated into CleanPowerSF policies? Staff Allman responded that the trainings will focus on reminding the staff how to utilize the existing Community Benefits and Environmental Justice policies. Staff Allman also mentioned that the second training this group will do will be focused on racial equity and the third training will be focused on how to apply these policies daily staff work. Staff Bridgeford also added details around the type of activities that will be included in these trainings.
- Member Ekanem asked for clarity around the two or three top priorities for the Equity Framework to inform.
 Staff Bridgeford and Staff McGee responded that these priorities will be heavily informed by the community engagement process, but that the assumed top priorities so far include: affordability, customer programs, community engagement, asset management, workforce development, environmental justice and public health, and community preparedness.

Member Ekanem provided input from a community perspective about how to best engage in equity as it relates to some of these priorities. Staff Bridgeford and Staff McGee responded that the team plans to continue to ensure that community feedback informs this process.

Member García asked if the funding for this process was sufficient. Staff McGee responded by explaining how the funds have been utilized so far, how they will be utilized in the future, and that aspects such as community programs and community engagement could benefit from more funding.

Public Comment: None.

7. Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action: <u>Resolution in support of</u> <u>Public Power</u>, Mark Tang, Power CAC Member; Moises Garcia, Power CAC Chair (15 minute presentation, 10-15 minute discussion)

Presentation Topics:

- Background on the development of the Resolution
- The Intention of the Resolution
- Changes made to the Resolution

Discussion Topics:

- Member Ekanem stated that there should be the inclusion of the disproportionate amount of power.
 Member Tang agreed to add this to the resolution.
- *Member Ekanem* asked how consumer rates will be impacted by this transition and whether that should be included in this Resolution. *Member* García *and Staff* Zhu explained the way in which the rate change will impact the PUC and the consumers. It was decided to not add in additional information about this into the resolution.

Motion was made (Tang) and seconded (Ekanem) to approve the <u>Resolution</u> in support of Public Power.

AYES: (3) García, Tang, Ekanem

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: Kight, McHugh

Public Comment: None.

8. Staff Report

• Nothing to report.

Public Comment: None.

9. Future Agenda Items and Resolutions (5 minutes)

- State-level Regulatory and Legislative Priorities tentatively April
- CleanPowerSF Integrated Resources Plan tentatively April
- CleanPowerSF Strategic Communications and Marketing Plan
- Future Costumer Programs
- Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) speakers
- Program Development i.e. Electric Vehicles, Electrification, Multi-family Buildings, Storage, Time of Use Rates
- Low-Income Assistance Program

Public Comment: None.

- Announcements/Comments The next scheduled Power CAC meeting is April 7, 2020. Visit www.sfwater.org/cac for confirmation of the next scheduled meeting.
 - Southeast Community Center Groundbreaking is March 7, 2020 at 1550 Evans Ave.

11. Adjournment

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.