

MCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, November 18, 2021
7:00 P.M.

This Meeting was conducted pursuant to the requirements of [Assembly Bill No. 361](#) (September 16, 2021) which allows a public agency to use teleconferencing during a Governor-proclaimed state of emergency without meeting usual [Ralph M. Brown Act](#) teleconference requirements. Committee Members, staff and members of the public were able to participate in the Committee Meeting via teleconference.

- Present:** Denise Athas, City of Novato
Tom Butt, City of Richmond, Board Chair
Barbara Coler, Town of Fairfax
Cindy Darling, City of Walnut Creek
Gina Dawson, City of Lafayette
David Fong, Town of Danville
Ford Greene, Town of San Anselmo
Maika Llorens Gulati, City of San Rafael
Kevin Haroff, City of Larkspur
Janelle Kellman, City of Sausalito
C. William Kircher, Town of Ross
Teresa Onoda, Town of Moraga
Tim McGallian, Alternate, City of Concord
Aaron Meadows, City of Oakley
Katy Miessner, City of Vallejo
Leila Mongan, Town of Corte Madera
Devin Murphy, City of Pinole
Doriss Panduro, City of Fairfield
Scott Perkins, City of San Ramon
Patricia Ponce, City of San Pablo
Gabriel Quinto, City of El Cerrito
Matt Rinn, City of Pleasant Hill
Shanelle Scales-Preston, City of Pittsburg
Christina Strawbridge, City of Benicia
Brad Wagenknecht, County of Napa
Sally Wilkinson, City of Belvedere and City of Mill Valley
Brianne Zorn, City of Martinez
- Absent:** John Gioia, Contra Costa County
Katie Rice, County of Marin
Hollie Thier, Town of Tiburon
John Vasquez, County of Solano

Staff

& Others: Jessica Brooks, Assistant Board Clerk
John Dalessi, CEO, Pacific Energy Advisor
Darlene Jackson, Board Clerk
Vicken Kasarjian, Chief Operating Officer
Ami Kundaria, Administrative Services Assistant
Catalina Murphy, Legal Counsel II
Justine Parmelee, Manager of Administrative Services
Evelyn Reyes, Administrative Services Assistant II
Garth Salisbury, Director of Finance and Treasurer
Enyonam Senyo-Mensah, Office Manager
Dawn Weisz, Chief Executive Officer

1. Roll Call

Chair Butt called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with quorum established by roll call.

2. Board Announcements (Discussion)

There were no announcements made.

3. Public Open Time (Discussion)

Chair Butt opened the public comment period and there were comments made by members of the public Gopal Shanker, Susan Morgan, Walt Bilofsky, and Ken Jones.

4. Report from Chief Executive Officer (Discussion)

CEO, Dawn Weisz, reported the following:

- A warm welcome to Director Doriss Panduro, representing the City of Fairfield.
- On the CCA front:
 - CCA in Baldwin Park, Southern California, is moving forward on a planned return of customers to utility service
 - On November 9th, the Stockton City Council voted unanimously to consider Community Choice Energy
- CalCCA, the trade association of 23 CCAs across California will be holding its annual meeting virtually, on Wednesday, December 1st.
- On Monday, MCE was able to price its tax-exempt renewable energy prepayment transaction through the California Community Choice Financing Authority. The transaction will save MCE approximately \$2.7 million/year on the three solar projects prepaid in the transaction over the next 6 years.
- MCE's Virtual Holiday Party is being held on Friday, December 3rd.
- Today your Board received a sneak peek of MCE's 2021 Impact Report.

5. Consent Calendar (Discussion/Action)

- C.1 Approval of 7.15.21 Meeting Minutes
- C.2 Approval of 10.7.21 Meeting Minutes
- C.3 Approved Contracts for Energy Update

Chair Butt opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Action: It was M/S/C (Wagenknecht/Perkins) to **approve Consent Calendar items C.1 – C.5**. Motion carried by roll call vote. (Absent: Directors Gioia, Rice, Vasquez, and Thier) (Abstained: Director Panduro).

6. Proposed MCE Rate Adjustment (Discussion/Action)

Director Scales-Preston introduced the item. Garth Salisbury, Director of Finance and Treasurer, Justin Kudo, Senior Strategic Analysis and Rates Manager, and John Dalessi, CEO at Pacific Energy Advisor, presented the item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Butt opened the public comment period and there were comments made by members of the public, Dan Segedin, Brian Lamoreaux, and Marti Roach.

Action: It was M/S/C (Perkins/Greene) to

- 1. Recommend the Board direct staff to adjust system average rates on or after January 1, 2022 to achieve a minimum 2% discount relative to PG&E's generation rates, subject to a minimum rate increase of \$0.003/kWh and a maximum rate increase of \$0.02/kWh.**
- 2. Direct staff to bring final rate proposal to the next meeting of the MCE Board of Directors for consideration.**

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Directors Gioia, and Vasquez).

7. Form 700 Statements of Interest (Discussion)

Catalina Murphy, Legal Counsel II, introduced this item and addressed questions from Board members.

Chair Butt opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Action: No action required.

8. Board Matters & Staff Matters (Discussion)

Comments were made by Directors Greene, Quinto, and Scales-Preston.

9. Adjournment

Chair Butt adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. to the next scheduled Board Meeting on December 16, 2021.

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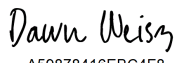


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Tom Butt, Chair

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Dawn Weisz, Secretary