



Berkeley Energy Commission

BERKELEY ENERGY COMMISSION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 25, 2002

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Ode at 6:35 PM.

Present: Deumling, Hopper, Ode, Packard, Winkel, Kurzweil

Absent: Hultman,

Staff: Neal De Snoo, Alice LaPierre

Guests: Tom Guarino, Red Gillen, Robert Krumme

2. Public Comments

Commissioner Ode reported on the Johannesburg World Earth Summit and noted that Jerry Brown stated that local governments are taking actions despite the Federal position on the issue of climate change.

Robert Krumme took issue with the Commission's biodeisel resolution. He stated that there are more cost-effective ways to reduce emissions and referred the commission to his database on the subject.

Item number 13 was moved up on the agenda.

13. Discussion of Educational Activities

Alice La Pierre reported that the City might be able to conduct a contest for the best use of the traffic signal reflectors that have been removed during the LED retrofit process. The Commission suggested that she address the potential liability associated with burns from the concentration of sunlight.

The Commission recessed at 7:05 for a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Community Energy Services Corporation. The Commission reconvened at 8:05.

3. Report on Solid Waste Management Commission, Public Works Commission, Transportation Commission and Citizens Environmental Advisory Commission (CEAC)

- Solid Waste (Hultman): No report.
- Public Works (SO): No report.
- CEAC (JK): No report.
- Transportation Commission (RD): No report.
- Council: Staff reported that an information item on solar power was delivered to Council in September.

4. Report on Low Income Programs

No report.

5. Report on CECO and RECO

No report.

6. Discussion of Community Energy Plan

a) Public Power Study

Staff reported that ABAG has put public power options on hold.

b) Staff reported that a draft of the portfolios may be available at the next Commission meeting and apologized for the delay.

7. Report on CESC By-Laws
Staff reported that the Fair Political Practices Commission has agreed to consider the issue early next year.
8. Report on Small Commercial Energy Program
Covered during the CESC meeting.
9. Report on the Landfill Gas Project
Staff reported that a draft cost sharing agreement is being sent to the Radisson Hotel for their consideration.
10. Discussion of the Berkeley 50/50 Program
Tom Guarino of PG&E provided some data about the 20/20 program in Berkeley. PG&E has not yet been able to analyze the number of accounts that would qualify for 50/50. The Commission asked that PG&E provide an estimate of the administrative costs associated with the program along with data on qualified accounts.
11. Discussion of Ordinance Exceeding State Energy Standards for Multi-Family Construction
No report.
12. Discussion of Strategic Planning for CESC
Covered during CESC Board meeting.
13. Discussion of Educational Activities
Moved up to after Item 2.

ACTION ITEMS

14. Discussion and Possible Action on Use of Blended Cement
This item was deferred.
15. Approval of Minutes of May 22 and June 26
The minutes for May 22 were approved at the June meeting.
The minutes of June 26 were approved (MSC: FP, RD 6-0).
16. Items for Next Month's Agenda
The next meeting will be on October 23 and the November meeting will be held on 11/20, not 11/27.
17. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM (MSC: JK, SW, 6-0).