



Berkeley Energy Commission

BERKELEY ENERGY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
October 23, 2002

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Ode at 6:32 PM.

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

Absent: Kurzweil

Staff: Neal De Snoo

2. Public Comments

John Bower introduced himself as a citizen who is possibly interested in joining the Commission.

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): Commissioner Deumling reported that the Transportation Commission is considering a "car free" day. No date has been set.
- Council: No report.

4. Report on Low Income Programs

Staff reported that the low-income programs are heavily funded this year and production is high.

5. Report on CECO and RECO

Staff reported that enforcement actions have been initiated againsts buyers who have accepted responsibility to comply with CECO but have not done so within the 15 month deadline. Staff also reported that the City now has more authorities to enforce its municipal code and staff will attend a training to see if these authorities are more effective. Commissioner Winkel suggested that the City consider linking the enforcement process to real estate agent licenses.

6. Discussion of Community Energy Plan

a) Public Power Study

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

b) The Commission discussed draft worksheets on the alternative resources portfolios. Commissioner Hultman suggested that the narrative include some discussion of off-site renewables. It was noted that the refrigerator administrative costs were incorrect and the label on the kWh/yr of photovoltaic capacity was also incorrect. A narrative will be distributed for the next meeting.

7. Report on Small Commercial Energy Program

Commissioner Ode urged the Commissioner's to market the Smart Lights program.

8. Report on the Landfill Gas Project

Staff reported that a draft cost sharing agreement has been sent to the Radisson Hotel for their consideration.

9. Discussion of the Berkeley 50/50 Program

Commissioner Deumling reported on a meeting with PG&E. He stated that Ken Cooper and Tom Guarino seemed very interested in the projects and Ken will attempt to get the data we need to develop a budget.

10. Discussion of Strategic Planning for CESC

Staff reported that a draft plan for a regional energy office has been circulating and participants will be meeting on Friday to resolve some of the outstanding issues.

11. Discussion of Educational Activities

The Commission discussed a lecture series. It was decided that the commission would prepare a basic lecture for presentation on several different evenings at several sites (e.g., Libraries, Senior Centers). If there was interest, the Commission would conduct more in-depth lectures on specific topics. Commissioners Deumling and Ode and Alice La Pierre will work on this project.

ACTION ITEMS

12. Discussion and Possible Action on Use of Blended Cement

A draft report and resolution was discussed by the Commission. Edits were made and the Commission passed a motion to send the item to the Public Works Commission for review.

*The Berkeley Energy Commission transmits its report of blended cement to the Public Works Commission for their review. The Commission authorizes the Chair and staff to make minor modifications as recommended by the Public Works Commission prior to sending to Council. The Commission requests that the Public Works Commission respond to the Secretary of the Energy Commission by December 9, 2002. (MSC: SW, RD, 6-0)*

13. Approval of Minutes of September 25

The minutes of September 25 meeting were corrected to insert "Oakand Mayor" in item 2 prior to "Jerry Brown." The corrected minutes were approved (MSC: FP, N. Hopper, 5-0-1, N. Hultman abstained).

14. Items for Next Month's Agenda

The next meeting will be on November 20.

15. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM (MSC: RD, N. Hopper, 6-0).