



Berkeley Energy Commission

BERKELEY ENERGY COMMISSION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 25, 2006

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Miller at 6:40 PM.
Present: Miller, Murtishaw, Rezaee
Absent: Abrams, Bergen, Grimes, Hansen, Owyang Lee
Staff: Neal De Snoo
Guests: Nancy Hoeffler
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2. Public Comments and Announcements
Commissioner Miller noted an article about a food waste digester that is in operation in Davis.
3. Report on Zero Waste Commission, Public Works Commission, Transportation Commission and Citizens Environmental Advisory Commission (CEAC)
 - Zero Waste (Miller): Commissioner Abrams reported via staff that the ZWC is considering a renovation of the transfer station, including the possibility of biomass and PV applications. If they do PV, they will be a net producer of energy, creating a need to resolve net metering restrictions. Commissioner Abrams will invite the ZWC to make a presentation to the EC.
 - Public Works (Abrams): No report.
 - CEAC (Grimes): No report.
 - Transportation Commission (Lee/Murtishaw): No report.
 - Council: No report.
4. Discussion of ICLEI Report (to be delivered)
ICLEI staff were not available. This item will be held over.
5. Report on Low-Income Programs
No report.
6. Report on CECO
None.
7. Discussion of RECO Study
Staff reported that San Francisco has expanded its scope of work to refine consult home energy raters on the feasibility of the ordinance.
8. Report of the Community Choice Aggregation Governance Subcommittee Meeting of August 14 (enclosure)
No report.
9. Report on Community Choice Aggregation and Discussion of Possible Process for the Commission to Use Guide and Public Input and Discussion
Staff reported that Emeryville will likely appropriate funding for legal counsel on November 7 and will approve the issuance of the Request for Information from power suppliers. Staff reported that the Northern Alameda Chapter of the Sierra Club resolved to support the development of CCA in the East Bay and to work with the greater SFB Chapter to find activists to work in each community.
10. Discussion of Educational Programs
No report.
11. Report on PUC Programs

Staff reported that PG&E has assigned a new project manager and noted that the old project manager, Betsy Kreig, was outstanding. Nancy Hoeffler reported that the programs appear to be on track.

12. Discussion of Sustainable Berkeley

Nancy Hoeffler reported that CESC is recruiting a Sustainable Berkeley staff person to manage the PG&E programs and manage broader programs.

13. Discussion of Proposition G: Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Commission briefly discussed Proposition G.

ACTION ITEMS

14. Approval of Minutes of July 26

No action.

15. Items for Next Month's Agenda

Discussion of a resolution on peak oil was added. Item 8 was deleted. The November and December meetings will be combined and held on December 6.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM (MSC: SM, AR, 3-0).

