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Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee (RMCP)

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Location: 555 County Center – 5th Floor Conference Room 1
Redwood City, CA 94063

Attendance

Committee Members:

Mary Ann Derwin

Dave Pine

Deborah Gordon

Diane Papan

Kathy Lavezzo

Pradeep Gupta

Rick Degolia

Adrienne Carr

Others in attendance:

Jacqueline Falconio

Kim Springer

Michael Barber

Barbara Pierce

Deborah Hirst

Scott Fable, PG&E

Bryan Chen, SSMC

Items on the Agenda

1. Introductions

- Attendees introduced themselves and their organizations. A thankyou was made to Barbara Pierce for her work on the RMCP Committee since its inception as the USTF and a cake was shared.

2. Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2015 meeting
(Kim Springer – Committee Staff) Action
 - The minutes were approved: Gupta/Derwin: unanimous

4. Update on San Mateo County Energy Watch 2015 Program Cycle Results and Contracting for 2016 through 2018 Calendar Years
(Kim Springer and Jacki Falconio – Committee Staff) Information, Discussion
 - Staff presented a PowerPoint update on the 2015 MSCEW program and the following was shared:
 - Gupta – how does the Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) project relate to the energy efficiency work of the SMCEW? PCE affects the power mix, the GHG emissions associated with energy use. The SCMEW effort is to reduce energy use which is more of an economic benefit.
 - Pine – What is the goal for zero net energy on a site? From the State’s perspective, it’s all new residential by 2020 and all new commercial by 2030, with some interim steps.
 - Gupta – How is ZNE defined? It varies, but the goal is to make the building site able to produce as much electricity as it net uses over the period of a year.
 - Gordon – there is a new declaration by governors in the US, but not one mentioned GHG emissions.
 - Gupta – Does ZNE work for campuses, or just building? It can be defined either way, but it’s generally by electric meter.

5. Presentation on Climate Action Planning and Implementation Technical Support for 2016
(Kim Springer – Committee Staff) Information, Discussion
 - Staff delivered an update on the climate action planning and implementation contracting progress, and the the scope of work to be delivered by selected contractor, DNV GL, in calendar year 2016.
 - Gupta – commented on the RFP selection process and noted the SSMC was not selected but that it is an organization with great merit in light of the goals of this work we are doing and should also be considered for support.

6. Review and Recommendation on Proposed Change to Composition of RMCP Committee
(Kim Springer – Committee Staff) Action
 - Staff proposed that three seat on the RMCP committee: small business, large business, and chamber of commerce, be combined to one “business” seat on the Committee, stating that outreach had been made to fill the seats but few businesses even responded, none have shown interest; they just don’t have the times as they are too busy focused on their business.
 - Gupta – this would be okay as a “numbers game” for achieving a quorum but what about the small and medium business needs?
 - Gordon – business wants to get issues addressed, but not attend to discuss policy needs.
 - Pine – It would valuable to have a list of business sustainability leaders. Others agreed.
 - Gordon – good to have a chamber leader for the new seat who can represent businesses more broadly
 - Papan – suggested EDGE, San Mateo for economic development
 - Additional discussion of whether current committee members could designate alternates for

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quorum and voting was discussed and the committee decided that this issue should be addressed by either updating the status of the committee to allow for alternates in the bylaws or by updating the roster for the utility and water seats via the C/CAG Board to: Willian Chiang for the utility seat, and Adrienne Carr for the water seat. Both discussions were combined in a motion.

- The action was approved: Derwin/Gupta: unanimous
7. Review and Approval of Calendar Year 2016 RMCP Committee Meeting Dates
(Kim Springer – Committee Staff) Action
- Staff presented the future meeting dates for 2016, all the 3rd Wednesday of each month, except for June on the 4th Wednesday.
 - The action was approved: Degolia/Gupta: unanimous
8. Presentation on Multiple Approaches to Address Upward Trend in Building Plug Load
(Kari Binley – PG&E) Information, Discussion
- A presentation was made by Scott Fable from PG&E on trends in plug load and some of the program in play at PG&E to address the issue.
 - Gordon: how will energy storage, such as the Tesla Wall, interact with plug load issues? This can balance some of the load, but it's not a solution, except for during peak loads.
 - Springer: how does plug load relate to baseline loads, which pushed customers into the next tiers of charges on their energy bills? It certainly contributes.
 - Gupta: with regard to a strategy, why not mix strategies to address this plug load issue? Retailers can influence the public in a number of ways.
 - Scott Fable mentioned PG&E's Retail Products Platform (pop up store) and a simple savings kit available through PG&E, online.
9. Update on Current Water Supply and Drought Conditions
(Adrienne Carr - BAWSCA staff) Information, Discussion
- Adrienne Carr gave a short presentation on trends for water supply and water use, and conservation efforts.
10. Committee Member Updates
- There were no committee member updates.
11. Next Regular Meeting Date: March 16, 2016

Attachments

Presentations from this meeting are posted on the C/CAG RMCP Website