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Resource Management and Climate Protection Committee (RMCP) Minutes of September 21, 2016 Meeting

In Attendance:

Rick DeGolia, Town of Atherton* Adrienne Carr, BAWSCA*

Beth Bhatnagar, SSMC Board Member* Sandy Wong, C/CAG Executive Director

Maryann Moise Derwin, Committee Vice Chair, Mayor Portola Valley*

Rachael Londer, County Office of Sustainability

Michael Barber, Supervisor Pine's Office

Diane Papan, Councilmember, San Mateo*

Kim Springer, County Office of Sustainability

Ben Butterworth, DNV GL

Robert Cormia, Professor Foothill-DeAnza*

Lucas Patzek, PG&E

Bill Chiang, PG&E*

Steve Raney, Joint Venture Silicon Valley

Dave Pine, County Supervisor*

Derren Deffner, PG&E

Not in attendance:

Don Horsley, County Supervisor*
Deborah Gordon, Committee Chair, Woodside Town Council*
Pradeep Gupta, South San Francisco City Council*

- * Committee Member (voting)
- 1. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and their organizations.

2. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

- 3. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2016. May 15, 2016 and July 20, 2016 meetings Pass Bahtnagar/Papan (Cormia abstain)
- 4. Presentation on California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Decision Providing Guidance for Initial Energy Efficiency Rolling Portfolio Business Plan Filings

Lucas Patzek from PG&E presented on the development of business plans through the California Energy Efficiency Coordinating Committee (CAEECC).

Kim Springer gave background at the beginning of the presentation on the effect of program cycle starts and stops on energy savings of CPUC-funded programs.

The following are the main points of the presentation, which is available on the C/CAG RMCP website:

- The process will affect all of the programs, upstream, midstream and possible downstream programs funded through public good charges under the auspices of the CPUC
- The business plan development is being separated into multiple sectors with co-chairs leading the process
- The next step is submission to the CPUC along with Program Implementation Plans (PIPs)
- After submission, there will be a decision process by the CPUC to finalize programs and programs administration, based on the recent decisions by the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) of the CPUC
- Dates for the process are included in the PowerPoint presentation posted online

The ALJ decision will affect multiple aspects of the existing program and their administration:

- Explore the concept of a statewide model of administration and will is better serve the various programs' customers
- Should Local Government Partnerships be part f a statewide consistent model
- Energy savings should be measured by actual meter data, not just calculations and white papers
- Upstream and midstream programs should be administered by a single program administrator
- Third party programs, such as Ecology Action's support of the SMCEW will change from 20% of the total program budget to 60% of the total program budget. This is a major shift.

All of the recently-submitted business plans are available on the CAEECC website. Now is the time to read through all these documents and to submit comments. The final documents will be delivered to the CPUC on January 15th. You can sign up to a listserve for one or many of the sectors of business plans to stay up-to-date.

Cormia: is this driven by the Governor's goals or appliances and energy intensity of buildings. Patzek: No, it's more about all the changes in the EE space and seeking input from stakeholders on programs and how to achieve these goals.

Papan: what is the logic behind these potential changes.

Patzel: it's more about creating a more competitive environment to, hopefully, bring costs down.

Wong: What is the process of how the LGPs might shift to a statewide model.

Patzek: Every proposal has to provide input on how it might be implemented in a statewide manner, but it would be a pilot or discussion, not a requirement to include LGP's as a statewide proposal only.

5. Presentation on Mobility as a Service (MAAS) and San Mateo County Participation

Steve Raney provided a presentation on the Joint Venture Smart Mobility project, which is to reduce commute traffic by 25 percent. The presentation for this item is provided on the C/CAG RMCP website.

The following are the main points:

- The Bay rea is a standout in the world on high use of single occupancy vehicles
- Fuel is cheap, vehicles are many, but the commutes within SF is very different
- What seems to work best is what Stanford does, a feebate system
- CA's state and regional policy is an outlier in the US; lots of focus on trip reduction in CA
 - o Goal is to double transit and double biking
- Commute.org in San Mateo County has acquired a license from CommuteAmigo to support agency and business efforts to encourage change on the part of employees
- Other programs include influencing through insurance fees
- There are multiple mobility apps that can move the needle about 40% towards the goal
 - o Enterprise employee trip reduction
 - Seamless apps to combine commute modes
 - o Gap filling programs
 - Electric scooters for last miles
 - Autonomous vehicles
 - Electric bikes for 8 mile commutes
 - Uber, mobile transit and others
- California regional policy can be a game changer in the world to influence change.

Pine: What kind of trip caps do businesses put on employees?

Raney: varies by density, only in Silicon Valley, that about ½ of employees do not use SOVs.

Chiang: My mom lives in Shanghai and there they limit the number of vehicle registrations to solve congestion issues.

Raney: In China they offered additional air conditioned bussed at a high cost per ride and there were protests.

Cormia: You can reduce, but you are still fighting population growth every year.

Springer: We are fighting the same issue with all of our programs.

6. Presentation on Department of Energy, Home Energy Score Tool

Rachael Londer presented on the EPA's Home Energy Score (HES) tools as a Residential Energy Disclosure (RED) being leveraged by the BayREN program in areas of Alameda County. Rachael explained how the HES tool fits into the many options to drive energy efficiency awareness in the residential market.

The following are the main points about the Home Energy Score tools:

- Cities are shying away from mandatory disclosure ordinances, but the HES tool can be used in a voluntary approach as well
- This will allow a homeowner or buyer to evaluate the property before purchase or to have a sense of the kind of measures that would have to implemented to improve the energy efficiency
- Use of the tool can be both educational and direct property owners to programs
- The HES program requires hiring a rater, but there are rebates for going through the process
- There are currently about 10 raters in the region
- Berkeley has passed an voluntary ordinance
- Piedmont and Albany attempted to pass a mandatory HES ordinance with no success to date
- 350+ scores have been issued to date, mainly driven by contractors who get directly rebated for processing the HES
- The average score process costs about \$275
- Realtors are concerned that this kind of ordinance, even if voluntary, could lead to a RECOtype ordinance
- The BayREN program is working on workforce development, teaching contractors how to use the tools
- Brisbane is very interested in passing an ordinance. Redwood City, Portola Valley, and Menlo Park are also interested.

Derwin: We tried to pass this in Portola Valley and we have one realtor on the committee and it was a big issue.

Cormia: it would be helpful to correlate the score to energy intensity, and Smart Meters should be able to provide the same information.

Bahtnagar: It seems like not a lot of money for contractors, but it might lead to a larger opportunity.

Pine: There are only 10 contractors that do the assessments?

Londer: Yes, but there are some 200 that are trained to do the eventual upgrades.

The presentation is posted on the C/CAG RMCP website.

7. Update on growth trend of Solar in San Mateo County

Ben Butterworth and Derren Heffner from DNV GL and PG&E respectively, gave a presentation on solar trends and programs in San Mateo County.

The following are the main points from the presentation:

- Solar is just one aspect of a clean energy perspective in the state, but there are other resources available before solar
- PG&E is currently over 30% of eligible renewables at this time. Solar is by far the largest driver of clean energy.
- The presentation contains graphs of how cities and the county as a whole, for instance, 2.9% of households have solar countywide and the presentation has charts for commercial as well

Derren added additional resources available through PG&E to help customers evaluate solar for their sites, and those to direct customers to prioritize energy efficiency first. Derren also noted that

only about 50% of customers have sites that are conducive to installing solar, so PG&E has a program that these customers can join to promote solar and offset their energy use. In addition he provided a link to solar thermal options.

The presentation is posted on the C/CAG RMCP website.

Chiang: Can you comment on large homes in San Mateo County which have large systems, which are still drawing large amounts of electricity.

Deffner: Usage is always independent of production, so some customers actually consume more as a result of going solar. Reducing consumption first is still a better value. PG&E can help customers evaluate this issue.

Londer: Commented on the SunShares program running through early November. Over 100 interest forms to date, and the program includes EVs: BayAreaSunshares.org

8. Committee Member Updates

Carr: BAWSCA: Water supply situation is up in the air, a 50-50 chance. Our water use, by the state's measure, almost no agency still has a conservation requirement. Overall, from 2013, there has been about a 20% reduction. We are hoping for a big water year, without an El Nino.

Bahtnagar: SSMC awards nomination is now open, so please send in nominations.

9. Next Regular Meeting Date: October 19, 2016

<u>Presentations from this meeting have been posted on the C/CAG RMCP website:</u>
http://ccag.ca.gov/committees/resource-management-and-climate-protection-committee/