



# LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MINUTES

City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

February 22, 2019 - 11:30 AM

## Special Meeting

**Present:** Commissioners Matt Haney, Gordon Mar, Cynthia Pollock, Hillary Ronen, and Shanti Singh

The San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission (SF LAFCo) met in special session on Friday, February 22, 2019, with Vice Chair Cynthia Pollock presiding.

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice Chair Pollock called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m. On the call of the roll, Vice Chair Pollock, and Commissioners Haney, Mar, and Ronen were noted present. Chair Fewer and Commissioner Singh was noted not present. There was a quorum.

#### Commissioner Fewer Excused from Attendance

Commissioner Ronen, seconded by Commissioner Mar, moved to excuse Commissioner Fewer from attending today's meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Haney, Mar, Pollock, Ronen

Action: Commissioner Fewer Excused

### 2. Approval of the LAFCo Minutes from the January 4, 2019, Special Meeting and the January 18, 2019, Regular Meeting

Vice Chair Pollock inquired whether any Commissioner had any corrections to the minutes of the January 4, 2019, Special Meeting or the January 18, 2019, Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission. There were no corrections.

Public Comment: None.

Commissioner Ronen, seconded by Commissioner Mar, moved to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2019, Special Meeting and the January 18, 2019, Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Haney, Mar, Pollock, Ronen

Action: Minutes Approved

*Commissioner Singh was noted present at 11:42 a.m.*

### **3. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Activities Report**

Michael Hyams, CCA Director (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SF PUC)), presented a power point presentation with an update of the CleanPowerSF Program.

#### **A. Current Enrollment and Service Status**

Director Hyams indicated the CleanPowerSF Program is now serving approximately 111,000 accounts, there is a 3.2% opt-out rate since launch, there is a 3.8% SuperGreen upgrade rate, and they anticipate having approximately 280,000 accounts by April 2019.

#### **B. Communications Plan for April Enrollment**

Tyler Gamble, Communications Director (SF PUC), provided an overview of the communications and outreach being done and planned, including the various community presentation and events, mailings going out, target advertising, how they are leveraging social media, their partnerships with other City departments, development of the SuperGreen community, and their expansion of outreach to limited English communities.

#### **C. State Regulatory Activities**

Director Hyams provided information on the status of PG&E's bankruptcy filing, including actions and decisions by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and the courts, PG&E's generation rates for 2019, and the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) proceedings. Information was also provided on other proceedings of interest, including safety investigations, de-energization of power lines in danger conditions, wildfire mitigation plans and cost recovery, disconnections and reconnections to improve energy access, affordability of utility service, and building decarbonization.

Barbara Hale, Assistant General Manager-Power (SF PUC), presented additional information and answered questions raised throughout the discussions.

#### **D. State Legislative Activities**

Suzanne Merkelson, Policy and Government Affairs, CleanPowerSF (SF PUC), provided information on the changes at the State Capitol, including the Democrats' growing supermajorities, Governor Newsom's PG&E bankruptcy "strike force" and his call out of CCAs during his State of the State, and the new CPUC Commission Genevieve Shiroma.

She further informed the Commission of the CalCCA State Bill proposal that is intended to address the impact of PCIA on CCA programs, with its basic principles of cost transparency, affordability and cost minimization for all ratepayers, and efficient procurement. SF PUC will continue to closely monitor and engage on post-wildfire legislation, regionalization, procurement mandates, and grid access and transparency.

Public Comment: Eric Brooks (Californians for Energy Choice/SF Clean Energy Advocates/No PG&E Bailout); provided information on the PG&E bankruptcy and suggestions on next steps. Gloria Berry; encouraged the Commission to provide more outreach to the African-American community and suggested the handouts be simplified.

No action was taken.

#### **4. Presentation on Steps to Municipalization of Energy Services and Implications for LAFCo and CleanPowerSF**

Inder Kalsa, General Counsel (LAFCo), presented a power point presentation on the municipalization of energy services and implications for LAFCo, including the authority to operate a municipal water or electric utility, the Hetch Hetchy Power System, Municipal Electric Utility, Municipal Utility Districts (MUD), Community Choice Aggregator (CCA), Investor Owned Utility (IOU), options for infrastructure, and eminent domain.

Barbara Hale, Assistant General Manager-Power (SF PUC), presented additional information and answered questions raised throughout the discussions.

Public Comment: Eric Brooks (Californians for Energy Choice/SF Clean Energy Advocates); welcomed the new Commissioners and provided suggestions on municipal utility options.

No action was taken.

#### **5. Executive Officer's Report**

Bryan Goebel, Executive Officer (LAFCo), welcomed new Commissioners Haney and Mar.

##### **A. Labor Study Update**

EO Goebel indicated a request for proposals (RFP) for the labor study was issued on January 18, 2019 and proposals are due by March 15, 2019. He had also spoken to a University of San Francisco class of graduate students that are undertaking a key segment of this study for their methods course and they will be presenting their findings to the Commission at the May 17, 2019 meeting.

##### **B. Expenditure Update**

EO Goebel provided an expenditure update through January 30, 2019.

Public Comment: None.

No action was taken.

**6. Public Comment**

Eric Brooks (Our City/SF Green Party); expressed concerns regarding Bayview Hunters Point and Treasure Island contamination and suggested the development on Treasure Island be halted.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

Public Comment: Eric Brooks (Californians for Energy Choice/SF Clean Energy Advocates); suggested a clean energy buildout plan be further investigated by the Commission. Hunter Stern; concurred with statements made by Eric Brooks and further encouraged investigation into a clean energy buildout plan.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Local Agency Formation Commission adjourned at the hour of 1:02 p.m.

N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Local Agency Formation Commission on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.