



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

Held via Videoconference  
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**November 20, 2020 - 10:00 AM**

## **Regular Meeting**

**Present:** Commissioners Cynthia Crews-Pollock, Sandra Lee Fewer, Matt Haney, Gordon Mar, and Shanti Singh

The San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission (SF LAFCo) met remotely in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Friday, November 20, 2020, with Chair Sandra Lee Fewer presiding.

Chair Fewer called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

On the call of the roll, Chair Fewer, Vice Chair Crews-Pollock, and Commissioners Haney, Mar and Singh were noted present.

A quorum was present.

### **2. Approval of the LAFCo Minutes from the October 16, 2020, Regular Meeting**

Chair Fewer inquired whether any Commissioner had any corrections to the minutes of the October 16, 2020, Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission. There were no corrections.

Public Comment: None.

Commissioner Fewer, seconded by Commissioner Mar, moved to APPROVE the minutes of the October 16, 2020, Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Crews-Pollock, Fewer, Haney, Mar

Action: MINUTES APPROVED

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

Michael Hyams, Director, CleanPowerSF (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SF PUC)), presented a power point presentation with an update on the CleanPowerSF Program and answered questions raised throughout the discussions.

#### A. Update on Delinquencies and Bill Assistance for Low-Income Customers

The SF PUC adopted a bill credit for certain customers enrolled in low-income energy discount programs to provide economic relief during the health emergency.

#### B. Arrearage Management Program (AMP)

Senate Bill (SB) 587 required the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to develop measures to reduce disconnection rates, so the CPUC adopted the AMP to provide eligible customers with debt forgiveness in exchange for participation in a payment plan.

#### C. Generation Rates and Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA)

There is an expected increase to the PCIA that will result if PG&E's application for recovery of undercollection in the PCIA is approved. This increase is anticipated to change CleanPowerSF generation rates that may be outside of the rate adjustment formula that was previously approved by the SF PUC, which will require staff to bring a new rate action to the SF PUC for consideration.

#### D. Power Contracts

A brief update was provided on resource adequacy capacity, Geysers geothermal extension, and the Joint CCA long-duration energy storage solicitation.

Public Comment: Jed Holtzman; expressed support of the joint body and concerns regarding the increase of the PCIA and the joint mailer that recently was sent out. Eric Brooks; expressed support of building storage and the need to prohibit rate projections that create large bills. Winston Parsons; expressed concerns regarding the impact of the anticipated PCIA increase and the need to adjust the programs for actual regional costs.

There was no action taken.

### 4. Presentation and Discussion on the LAFCo Report: "Power is a Right: Preventing a Disconnection Crisis in San Francisco During and After COVID-19"

Executive Officer Goebel provided brief opening remarks and introduced Adiba Khan, Research Associate (LAFCo), who presented a power point presentation on how San Francisco can prevent a power disconnection crisis during and after the health emergency, including recommendations for the short-term emergency and non-emergency periods.

Public Comment: Eric Brooks; expressed support of the report and concerns regarding virtual power plants, the impact of small businesses during this pandemic, and the need to expand GoSolarSF. Winston Parsons; expressed support of the report and concerns regarding funding measures and impacts of heat waves and climate change.

There was no action taken.

**5. Presentation and Discussion on the LAFCo Consultant Analysis of the CleanPowerSF Local Renewable Energy Report**

Jenny Whitson (Vanir) presented a power point presentation with updates on the work being done by the Renewable Energy Consultant, including background information on the Local Renewable Energy Report, technologies and programs evaluated, findings, and recommendations.

Director Hyams presented additional information and answered questions raised throughout the discussions.

Public Comment: John Rizzo; expressed the need to receive the final report and support of the recommendations being made. Eric Brooks; expressed the need to evaluate additional information and establish a plan to move into 100% renewable energy.

There was no action taken.

*(Supervisor Haney was noted absent at 12:30 p.m. and for the remainder of the meeting.)*

**6. Approval of the 2021 LAFCo Regular Meeting Schedule**

Executive Officer Goebel provided brief opening remarks on the proposed schedule for the 2021 regular meetings.

Commissioner Fewer, seconded by Commissioner Mar, moved to APPROVE the regular meeting date of January 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. and CONTINUED consideration of all other proposed dates to the January 22, 2021, Regular Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Crews-Pollock, Fewer, Mar

Absent: 1 - Haney

Action: January 22, 2021 Regular Meeting APPROVED and all other proposed dates CONTINUED to January 22, 2021

**7. Executive Officer’s Report**

A. Update on LAFCo Labor Research

Executive Officer Goebel provided an update on his upcoming proposed work plan, including the e-bike rebate program and the pilot worker cooperative that is under consideration.

Public Comment: Eric Brooks; expressed support of a worker cooperative and the need for the City to establish an application for their use.

There was no action taken.

**8. Approval of a Resolution Honoring Chair Sandra Lee Fewer for Her Distinguished Service to LAFCo**

Executive Officer Goebel provided commending remarks on Chair Fewer’s distinguished service and read the proposed Resolution to honor that service. The Commissioners and Clerk shared in these commendations and wished Chair Fewer well in her next endeavors.

Public Comment: Eric Brooks; provided congratulatory remarks to Chair Fewer and expressed gratitude for her service.

Commissioner Crews-Pollock, seconded by Commissioner Mar, moved to APPROVE the Resolution honoring Chair Sandra Lee Fewer for her distinguished service to the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Crews-Pollock, Fewer, Mar  
Absent: 1 - Haney

Action: RESOLUTION APPROVED

**9. Public Comment**

Eric Brooks; expressed concerns regarding the need for a municipal public bank.

**10. Future Agenda Items**

Public Comment: Eric Brooks; expressed concerns regarding the need to have a plan to achieve 100% renewable energy and to address equity throughout the programs.

There was no action taken.

## **11. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Local Agency Formation Commission adjourned at the hour of 1:04 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.

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