

Energy & Environmental Resources Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2017



The audio file for this committee can be found at: <http://www.cvag.org/minutes.htm>

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Energy & Environmental Resources Committee was called to order by Chair Linda Evans at noon on April 13, 2017.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Kaplan led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Members Present

Councilmember Dale Reynolds (video conference)
Councilmember Shelley Kaplan
Mayor Steven Hernandez
Councilmember Yvonne Parks, Vice Chair
Mayor Richard Balocco
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Wilson
Mayor Linda Evans, Chair
Councilmember Gina Nestande
Councilmember JR Roberts
Mayor Pro Tem Charles Townsend
Board Member Randy Duncan

Agency

City of Blythe
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indian Wells
City of Indio
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
Mission Springs Water District

Non-voting Member Present

Board Member Anthony Bianco
Coachella Valley Water District

Members Absent

Joseph Pradetto
(by proxy for RivCo 4th Dist. Supervisor)
Board Member Erik Ortega
County of Riverside – 4th District
Imperial Irrigation District

Others Present

Michael Kemp (teleconference)
Nicole Ochoa
Sara Toyoda
Imperial Irrigation District
Renovate America
City of Indio

CVAG Staff

Tom Kirk
Gary Leong
Katie Barrows
Jim Sullivan
Linda Rogers
Erica Felci

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER & DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Katie Barrows announced that there would be a tour of the City of Palm Desert's Carlos Ortega Villas Project on April 19, sponsored by the Desert Cities Energy Partnership. This is one of a few Zero Net Energy projects in the state and the first in the Coachella Valley. Anyone interested in participating in the tour may contact Benjamin Druyon. Councilmember Kaplan commented that Cathedral City is also looking at an energy pilot program for their city.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER PARKS, SECONDED BY MAYOR BALOCCO, TO:

- A. Approve Minutes of the February 9, 2017 Energy & Environmental Resources Committee**
- B. Agreement for Transition of CV Upgrade PACE program to Ygrene's statewide program**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 2 ABSENT:

Councilmember Dale Reynolds (video conference)	AYE
Councilmember Shelley Kaplan	AYE
Mayor Steven Hernandez	AYE
Councilmember Yvonne Parks, Vice Chair	AYE
Mayor Richard Balocco	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Wilson	AYE
Mayor Linda Evans, Chair	AYE
Councilmember Gina Nestande	AYE
Councilmember JR Roberts	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Charles Townsend	AYE
Board Member Randy Duncan	AYE
Joseph Pradetto	ABSENT
<i>(by proxy for RivCo 4th Dist. Supervisor)</i>	
Board Member Erik Ortega	ABSENT

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Semi-Annual Review of Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Katie Barrows reviewed the goals and objectives for fiscal year 2017-2018 and invited the committee's input for issues they would like to focus on in the coming fiscal year. Committee members identified geothermal energy, gas-powered leaf blowers, and coordination with IID as additional topics for the Committee. Staff indicated that a motion would not be necessary at this time and that the comments submitted by the committee would be reflected in the final proposed goals and objectives for May.

B. Community Choice Aggregation Update and Contract for Technical Services

Mayor Evans recommended that the language in the staff recommendation be amended to state “*possible*” implementation.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PRO TEM WILSON, SECONDED BY MAYOR BALOCCO, TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION WITH THE AMENDED LANGUAGE:

- 1) Approve a contract with Don Dame as an independent consultant to assist staff with evaluation and *possible* implementation of a Community Choice Energy program, for a not to exceed amount of \$40,000; and
- 2) Authorize the Executive Director and/or legal counsel to make minor changes or revisions to the agreement for clarification purposes.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 2 ABSENT.

Councilmember Dale Reynolds (video conference)	AYE
Councilmember Shelley Kaplan	AYE
Mayor Steven Hernandez	AYE
Councilmember Yvonne Parks, Vice Chair	AYE
Mayor Richard Balocco	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Wilson	AYE
Mayor Linda Evans, Chair	AYE
Councilmember Gina Nestande	AYE
Councilmember JR Roberts	AYE
Mayor Pro Tem Charles Townsend	AYE
Board Member Randy Duncan	AYE
Joseph Pradetto	ABSENT
(by proxy for RivCo 4 th Dist. Supervisor)	
Board Member Erik Ortega	ABSENT

8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

9. INFORMATION

- 1) Attendance Roster
- 2) CV Link Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Update
- 3) Update on Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next scheduled meeting at 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Room 119, Palm Desert Energy & Environmental Resources Committee, May 11, 2017 at 12:00 noon.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Rogers

Linda Rogers
Program Assistant II