

VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Staff Report – Item 11

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Mitch Sears, Interim General Manager

SUBJECT: Approve Updated Community Advisory Committee Charge

DATE: January 21, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

Approve revised and updated Community Advisory Committee Charge incorporating VCE's 3-year Strategic Plan, Environmental Justice statement and input on policy level issues from the CAC.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

In November 2018, the Board adopted an updated CAC Charge to reflect the transition from pre-launch to post-launch activities. In November 2020, the Board adopted VCE's 3-year Strategic Plan and an Environmental Justice statement. At the CAC's December 17, 2020 meeting, the Committee discussed and finalized a recommended update to the CAC Charge to include goals and objectives outlined in the 3-year Strategic Plan, reflect the Environmental Justice statement, and its role in providing input on policy level issues. The CAC recommended that the Board approve the attached updated Charge. (9-0-0)

Staff supports the CAC's recommendation and recommends that the updated Charge be approved. The current November 2018 Charge redlined to show the updates and a clean copy of the updated Charge are attached.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft updated Charge (November 2018) – redlined
2. Draft Updated Charge without redlines

Valley Clean Energy Alliance
Community Advisory Committee

Updated Charge (date)

Consistent with the policy adopted by the Valley Clean Energy Alliance (VCEA) Board of Directors, the VCEA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) adopts ~~the this~~ Charge to guide its activities.

- Advise the VCEA Board of Directors and VCEA staff on VCEA's general policy and operational objectives, including, but not limited to:

 - -portfolio mix and objectives,
 - technical, market, program and policy areas, policy related financial considerations and rate options, and
 - strategic objectives and strategies-plans designed to reduce carbon emissions, accelerate development of local resources and promote increase energy resilience in member jurisdictions.

- Review implementation and provide input on action options related to VCE's Strategic Plan and Environmental Justice statement adopted in 2020.
- ~~Assist in the development of public information materials related to customer energy investments and choices offered by VCEA, PG&E and third parties.~~
- Collaborate with~~Assist and advise~~ VCEA staff and consultants on:
 - ~~community outreach, marketing and programs for its ~~to and liaison with~~ member communities,~~
 - monitoring legislative and regulatory activities related to Community Choice Energy issues, and
 - the development of public information materials related to customer energy investments and choices.

~~Collaborate with VCEA staff on monitoring legislative and regulatory activities related to Community Choice Energy issues.~~

~~In order to To achieve the goals and mission of VCEA, the CAC will: develop, periodically review and update a workplan for the short and longer terms. The Committee will~~

- monitor organizational performance toward fulfillment of the VCEA Board of Director's Vision Statement and may recommend policy changes to further the VCEA vision.~~The CAC will also engage with VCEA, Staff~~

- advise and assist the Board, staff and consultants through its task groups or other means consistent with California's open meeting laws,~~and~~
- evaluate, advise and assist VCEA by~~and~~ make-making recommendations on select items at the request of the Board or the Interim General Manager's ~~request~~ or in consultation with the Interim General Manager~~→,~~ and
- ~~The Community Advisory Committee will~~
- periodically review this charge and make recommendations for changes to the Board of Directors in order to reflect~~as~~ new issues, opportunities and challenges impacting the VCEA arise.

~~Adopted: November 15, 2018~~ Revised and adopted: xxxx[insert date]

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Community Advisory Committee

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- Assist and advise VCEA staff and consultants on:
 - community outreach, marketing and programs for its member communities,
 - monitoring legislative and regulatory activities related to Community Choice Energy issues, and
 - the development of public information materials related to customer energy investments and choices.

To achieve the goals and mission of VCEA, the CAC will:

- monitor organizational performance toward fulfillment of the VCEA Board of Director's Vision Statement and may recommend policy changes to further the VCEA vision,
- advise and assist the Board, staff and consultants through its task groups or other means consistent with California's open meeting laws,
- evaluate, advise and assist VCEA by making recommendations on select items at the request of the Board or the Interim General Manager or in consultation with the Interim General Manager, and
- periodically review this charge and make recommendations for changes to the Board of Directors as new issues, opportunities and challenges impacting the VCEA arise.

Revised and adopted: January 21, 2021