

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY OF ALAMEDA PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD**

April 19, 2021

1. ROLL CALL

President McCormick called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. On roll call, the following commissioners were present: President McCormick, Commissioner Serventi, Commissioner Giuntini and Commissioner Gould. City Manager Levitt joined at 4:31 p.m.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – NON-AGENDA

None.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Budget Workshop

During the staff presentation, Public Utilities Board (Board) members discussed Alameda Municipal Power's (AMP) outreach to customers who have past-due bills. President McCormick and Commissioner Serventi encouraged additional follow-up communications to promote utility payment relief programs.

Commissioner McCormick asked why resource adequacy (RA) sales went down. General Manager Procos said the market has been unpredictable over the past year. AMP's Energy Resources Planning (ERP) group did a great job capturing as much value as they could, he said. In addition, the rules related to RA are changing in light of last year's rolling outages.

Commissioner Serventi asked clarifying questions related to the following topics: the city cost allocation; the city direct cost line item; and the Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments related to the general fund transfer and the payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) / Return on Investment (ROI) funds.

Commissioner Serventi asked staff about AMP's plans for program reserve funds. General Manager Procos said planned projects are included in AMP's asset

management and information technology (IT) plans. In the fiscal year (FY) 2022 budget, AMP is drawing down the Cap-and-Trade funds in the event that the program's rules change. He noted that he was optimistic that AMP could spend renewable energy certificate (REC) sales funds on the proposed Doolittle solar project. The undergrounding district reserve is a function of how quickly AMP can move forward with the undergrounding project, he said.

Commissioner Gould said AMP is not seeing much of an increase in the the amount electric vehicle and solar adoption. The reserve funds reflect the lower amount of adoption, he said.

President McCormick asked staff to confirm that the REC account is fixed and being drawn down. General Manager Procos confirmed.

She asked staff to confirm that AMP receives low carbon fuel standard (LCFS) revenue proportional to electric adoption.

General Manager Procos confirmed, saying that adoption relates to electric vehicles and some other components. AMP receives credits and then conducts sales. The utility has \$2.6 million in that account, he said.

General Manager Procos said that AMP's progress, related to electric adoption and the LCFS funding, has been impacted by COVID-19. Coming out of the pandemic, AMP's hope is to move more quickly with rollout of programs, including building electrification programs.

President McCormick raised the topic of commercial EV charging rates. General Manager Procos said AMP has not yet made much progress in that area.

President McCormick said AMP will need to make sure that the utility's rates meet its objectives – in areas including building electrification and transportation electrification – and also ensure that there is fair and equitable cost recovery.

General Manager Procos said AMP works with some commercial EV entities that seek service through a master meter, like Nob Hill, and those entities which have their own meter, like Tesla.

Sara Rafalson, an Alameda resident and employee of an EV charging company, addressed commercial EV rates. She said that PG&E is more competitive than AMP in this area. Her initial suggestion would be for AMP to waive the 8,000-kilowatt-hour cap on A1 to public chargers that are separately metered.

President McCormick said the FY 22 budget is very fluid and will need to account for many issues, such as fast-paced changes in the industry, outstanding bills, lingering COVID-19 issues, and drought conditions.

6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

7. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

None.

8. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS-NON-AGENDA

None.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.