

## **ITEM 6B**

**Desert Community Energy Board  
Meeting Minutes  
June 29, 2022  
3:30 pm**



**Held via Zoom videoconference**

*The audio file for this meeting can be found at: <http://www.desertcommunityenergy.org>*

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the DCE Board was called to order by Chair Geoff Kors, City of Palm Springs, at 3:34 p.m. via Zoom videoconferencing, pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

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

#### **Members Present**

Councilmember Geoff Kors, Chair  
Councilmember Karina Quintanilla

#### **Agency**

City of Palm Springs  
City of Palm Desert

#### **DCE Staff & Consultants**

Tom Kirk  
Katie Barrows  
David Freedman  
Liz Barnwell  
Erica Felci  
Claude Kilgore  
Jennifer Nelson  
Janice Reitman  
Kevin Broadie  
Jaclyn Harr  
Don Dame

The Energy Authority  
Donald Dame Consulting

#### **Others Present**

Kim Floyd  
Daniel Paris

Sierra Club

### **3. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS (IF ANY)**

None.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

#### 5. BOARD MEMBER / DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Chair Kors discussed a new battery storage facility in the City of Palm Springs and provided feedback from a recent conference he attended.

Katie Barrows gave an update on items of interest in the State budget and announced that the procurement policy item would be on the July agenda as Vice Chair Jonathan had requested.

#### 6. CONSENT CALENDAR

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER KORS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER QUINTANILLA, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM 6A TO:**

- A. Approve Minutes from Board Meeting of April 11, 2022** *(This item will be brought back to a future meeting for approval as Councilmember Quintanilla had to abstain)*
- B. Reaffirm that findings still exist, pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, and authorize continuation of remote teleconference/virtual meetings of Desert Community Energy**
- C. Adopt Resolution 2022-03, approving the 2021 Power Source Disclosure (PSD) Annual Report and associated 2021 Power Content Labels for Desert Saver and Carbon Free products, and attest to their veracity**
- D. Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a 10-year Western Systems Power Pool Resource Adequacy Confirmation with Resi Station, LLC for resource adequacy benefits from a demand response project**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 2 AYES.**

**Councilmember Quintanilla  
Councilmember Kors**

**Aye  
Aye**

#### 7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

##### **A. DCE Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget – Don Dame and Claude Kilgore**

Claude Kilgore introduced Janice Reitman, Accounting Manager, and Don Dame, consultant. The team provided a brief budget overview followed by a detailed presentation on the financials.

Member discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER QUINTANILLA AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KORS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-04 APPROVING DESERT COMMUNITY ENERGY'S FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 BUDGET**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 2 AYES.**

**Councilmember Quintanilla  
Councilmember Kors**

**Aye  
Aye**

**B. First Amendment to Credit Agreement with River City Bank – David Freedman**

David Freedman presented the staff report. Brief member discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER QUINTANILLA AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KORS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-05, APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH RIVER CITY BANK FOR AN INCREASED TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$13,000,000, AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE THE CREDIT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 2 AYES.**

**Councilmember Quintanilla  
Councilmember Kors**

**Aye  
Aye**

**C. DCE Renewable Energy Procurement and SCE's PCIA Voluntary Allocation  
– David Freedman**

Mr. Freedman presented the staff report and discussed next steps. Member discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER QUINTANILLA AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KORS TO APPROVE A VOLUNTARY ALLOCATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON'S POWER CHARGE INDIFFERENCE ADJUSTMENT LONG-TERM RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE VOLUNTARY ALLOCATION ELECTION FORM**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 2 AYES.**

**Councilmember Quintanilla  
Councilmember Kors**

**Aye  
Aye**

**8. INFORMATION**

The following items were included in the agenda packet for members' information :

**A. Attendance Record**

**B. Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Meeting Calendar for DCE and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments**

**C. Unaudited Financial Report for July 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022**

**D. Unaudited Year-to-Year Financial Report as of April 30, 2022**

**E. DCE's 2022 Summer Readiness Outreach Strategy**

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next **DCE meeting** will be held July 18, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

The **Coachella Valley Association of Governments' General Assembly** meeting will be held June 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

Chair Kors noted that the time of the next Board meeting may be in conflict with a City meeting and staff indicated they would seek an alternative time.

**11. ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Kors adjourned the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennifer Nelson,  
Executive Assistant/Clerk*