

## **ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting Minutes **Date**: October 14,2021

- 1. Vrinda, Anand, Steve, Pat, Sasha, Srini, Aileen, April
  - a. Stan, Jay Shideler, Jolie
  - b. Cody, Lucille Glassman, Megan (?), Gabriel Johnson (SES), Jason Smith (SES)
- 2. September meeting minutes: Steve moved, Anand 2ndd, unanimous
- 3. April agreed to continue membership
- 4. Cody's presentation:
  - a. City council
  - b. Jason (& Gabe) from Syserco
  - c. Initial questions from Steve, Anand, Sasha: V2G? EV chargers included? Already have generator backup?
  - d. Hard time getting PV output data.
  - e. V2G would be supported as long as V2G could receive the commands...
  - f. Propose full support!
    - i. Maybe smallish battery config, expecting V2G to help
    - ii. New Solar panels & microinverters for shading...
    - iii. No new generator -- stranded asset! No fossil fuels! Demonstration project.
    - iv. No new panel... Why increase from 600 to 1200?
    - v. Lots of options for EE? Their goal is to reduce, than produce.
    - vi. New PV panels have a 30 year power guarantee.
    - vii. Stan's question: Will electrification be covered by a new panel? Yes.
    - viii. Submit EIC comments to Cody tomorrow -- Vrinda to summarize
- 5. Climate Action Plan -- Vrinda
  - a. Looking for endorsement by full committee for presentation to council next week
  - b. Draft resolution <a href="here">here</a>. Documentation of measures <a href="here">here</a>. Slides <a href="here">here</a>.
  - c. Stan leaning for more aggressive plan... how to justify
  - d. Aileen: Regulation may force us to be more aggressive in a few years!
  - e. Stan suggested a symposium to discuss how cities can get off natural gas? Payoff could be much more. Stan would ask SVCE to fund.
  - f. Anand: Should try to improve slide 10...
  - g. April: Very well done.
  - h. Pat: Compared to other cities we look bad. Response: but ours is more realistic...?
  - i. Jay: Go the extra effort for the 52% plan. Then we have some buffer?
  - j. Stan suggests to let it stand: present both options.
  - k. Anand moved, Pat seconded. unanimous support for approval. YAY!
  - I. Anand will send draft email to invite comments to council meeting.
  - m. April suggests putting info about the CAP in the "new resident" packet, don't know what goes into the package

- n. Anand got some energy data from Foothill6. Discussion of Cody's presentation
- - a. Srini: we need a bit more time to review; lots of details!
  - b. Steve: Agreed -- presentation was confusing; but also we don't want to slow down the timeline
  - c. Syserco will design & build.