San Francisco Public Utilities Commission  
Citizens’ Advisory Committee

FULL CAC MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)  
Tuesday, September 17, 2013  
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
525 Golden Gate Ave, San Francisco, CA, 94102, 2nd Floor O’Shaughnessy Conference Room

Members:

Wendy Aragon (D1)  
Vacant (D2)  
Doug Cain (D3)  
David Pilpel (D4)  
Ted Loewenberg (D5)  
Nella Manuel (D6)  
Walt Farrell (D7)  
Javieree PruittHill (D8)  
Dairo Romero (D9)  
Vacant (D10)  
Jennifer Clary (D11)  
Avni Jamdar (M-Env. Group)  

Art Jensen (M-Reg’l Water Customers)  
Stephen Bjorgan, Acting Chair (M-Eng./Financial)  
Vacant (M-Lg Water User)  
Ted Ko (B-Small Business)  
Alex Lantsberg (B-Env Justice)

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment  
9 members= quorum met.

Members present: W. Aragon (D1), D. Cain (D3), T. Loewenberg (D5), W. Farrell (D7), J. Clary (D11), S. Bjorgan, Acting Chair, T. Ko (B-Small Business), A. Lantsberg (B-Env Justice), A. Jensen (M-Reg’l Water Customers) (9 Members present, quorum confirmed)

Members Absent: D. Romero (D10), A. Jamdar (M-Env group), D. Pilpel (D4), J. PruittHill (D8),

Staff Liaison: Ryan Iwata, Amy Sinclair

Members of the Public- Nicole Sandkulla.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order and roll call: Called to order at 5:39 pm.

2. Welcome New CAC members presentation, Wendy Aragon (D1) and Ted Loewenberg (D5) (5 minutes)

W. Aragon (Appointed by Supervisor Eric Mar), and T. Loewenberg (Appointed by Supervisor London Breed) give brief introductions about where they are from, and what prompted them to join the CAC, and the areas they would like to focus on.

3. Election of CAC Chair and Vice Chair (10 minutes)

Motion was made (S. Bjorgan) and seconded (D. Cain) for S. Bjorgan to be Interim Chair and Avni Jamdar as his Vice Chair.

In favor of approving motion: W. Aragon (D1), D. Cain (D3), T. Loewenberg (D5), W. Farrell (D7), J. Clary (D11), S. Bjorgan, Acting Chair, T. Ko (B-Small Business), A. Lantsberg (B-Env Justice), A. Jensen (M-Reg’l Water Customers)

In opposition of Motion: none

Motion passed.
4. **Presentation:** "Perspectives on Future Water Management Planning for the SFPUC Regional Service Area" – Art Jensen (*30 minute presentation*)

The presentation covered:
- What is BAWSCA? Goals as bay area water supply and conservation agency
- BAWSCA’s relationship with the SFPUC
- Valuable results for water customers
- Long term water supply decisions
- Regional drought impacts
- Supporting wholesale customers outside SF

Topics of Discussion following presentation:
- Who will fill A. Jensen’s CAC position when he leaves?
- The importance of having an independent voice such as BAWSCA on the committee to help serve with checks and balances and help audit the billions of money being spent by the PUC
- Water deliveries and the allocations involved
- Drought reliability
- Water supply agreement of 1984 agreeing that SF would provide 184 MGD to wholesale permanent customers
- Water trading
- Accountability of BAWSCA in respect to the PUC

5. **June 18, 2013 meeting minutes**

Motion was made (S. Bjorgan) and seconded (T. Loewenberg) to postpone the June 18th Minutes.

In favor of postponing June 15th minutes: W. Aragon (D1), D. Cain (D3), T. Loewenberg (D5), W. Farrell (D7), J. Clary (D11), S. Bjorgan, Acting Chair, T. Ko (B-Small Business), A. Lantsberg (B-Env Justice), A. Jensen (M-Reg’l Water Customers)

Opposition: None

Motion passed, June 18th minutes postponed.

No public comment.

6. **Public Comment:** members of the public may address the Committee on matters that are within the Committee’s jurisdiction and are not on today’s agenda (*2 minutes per speaker*)

No public comment.

7. **Staff Report (5 minutes)**

S. Gautier and J. Buendia speak about the roles of the CAC coordinators moving forward.

8. **Report from the Acting Chair (Stephen Bjorgan) (5 minutes)**

S. Bjorgan defers his report to the next meeting.

9. **Subcommittee Chair Reports:**
   a. Power Subcommittee (T. Ko) (*5 minutes*) - In July, we will have more seats filled up. Wanted to know if any of the new people wanted to join the Power Subcommittee. (S. Bjorgan would like to be included to help make sure interests are spread evenly.) While we didn’t meet last month there are a lot of things going on with CleanPowerSF.
b. Water Subcommittee (D. Cain) (5 minutes) - Doug Cain is the new Subcommittee chair for Water, as David has moved onto Sewer. This is the first week since this has happened. I appreciate the chance for recognition; this is a good chance to seek more members as well. Last meeting we went over the various divisions in the Water Department, and are going to try and change focus and get back to our core issues. We are working on an agenda for October.

c. Wastewater Subcommittee (J. Pruitt-Hill) (5 minutes) - N/A

10. Future Agenda Items (5 minutes)

- Hetch Hetchy Reservoir
- Raker Act
- State and Federal legislation
- What the EPA is up to
- FERC relicensing
- Environmental talk about Tuolumn Trust and federal Licensing
- SSIP(Sewer System Improvement program) and WSIP(Water System Improvement Project)
- The City’s new stormwater ordinance
- The new budget that is headed to the commission in January
- The sewer systems state of repair
- CleanPowerSF

11. Announcements/Comments – The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Full CAC will take place on Tuesday, October 15, 2013.

No Announcements

12. Departing presentation (Art Jensen) (5 minutes)

A. Jensen shared some of his thoughts about working with the CAC and some tips on how to move forward.

Presentation Covered: A. Jensen: Troubles of CAC

1) Lack of focus- let’s not pretend to be communication experts
2) Shouldn’t duplicate the Commission
3) We should watch the Commission however.
4) If you can’t go to Commission meetings, then watch the videos.
5) Biggest suggestion: Develop a simple easily remembered overall objective: not a mission statement with values, literally one sentence.
6) Need to come to grips with what we want to accomplish
7) Too many conflicting values
8) Many of us are activists; I think we would all agree that if there was an issue at PUC, the CAC would be the last place we look. If you find yourself drifting into activism, get back to the core values of the group.
9) Let’s stay away from activists tendencies and get back to the simple mission statement that we come up with.

13. Adjournment

Motion was made (J. Clary) and seconded (W. Farrell) to adjourn meeting.

None opposed.
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:00 PM.

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