San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Citizens’ Advisory Committee

MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)
Tuesday, June 17, 2014
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
525 Golden Gate Ave., 3rd Floor Tuolumne Conference Room

Members:
Wendy Aragon, Chair (D1)   Walt Farrell (D7)   Nicole Sandkulla - (M-Reg’l Water Customers)
Suki Kott (D2)                Javierree PruittHill (D8)  
Vacant (D3)                   Art Taylor (D9)       
David Pilpel (D4)             Marjorie Goodwin (D10)  
Ted Loewenberg (D5)           Jennifer Clary (D11) 
Mark Connors (D6)             Avni Jamdar (M-Env. Group) 

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment

Staff Liaison: Ryan Iwata and Jessica Buendia

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order and roll call. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

   Members present at roll call: (9 members present, quorum confirmed) W. Aragon (D1), S. Kott (D2), T. Loewenberg (D5), M. Connors (D6), M. Goodwin (D10), N. Sandkulla - (M-Reg’l Water Customers), T. Barlev (M-Lg Water User), E. Saddler (B-small Business), T. Zhu (B-Env Justice),

   Members Absent at roll call (6 members absent): D. Pilpel (D4), W. Farrell (D7), J. PruittHill (D8), A. Taylor (D9), J. Clary (D11), A. Jamdar (M-Env. Group),

   Members of the public: Kelly Groth, Tim Redmon, Commissioner Francesca Vietor

2. Report from the Chair - Wendy Aragon, Chair

   • We have two candidates from District 7.
   • Member Pilpel’s line items will be tabled due to absence

3. Approval of the May 20, 2014 minutes

   Motion was made (T. Loewenberg) and seconded (N. Sandkulla) to approve May 20, 2014 minutes.

   The motion PASSED by the following vote:
   AYES: (9) – Aragon, Kott, Loewenberg, Connors, Goodwin, Sandkulla, Barlev, Saddler, Zhu
   NOES: (0)
   ABSENT: (6) Pilpel, Farrell, PruittHill, Taylor, Clary, Jamdar

   No public comment.

4. Future Agenda Items and Possible Resolutions
1.) **CAC member expectations** - Member D. Pilpel
2.) **SFPUC staff expectations** - Developing information processes to better educate the members on current events with SFPUC. – Member D. Pilpel
3.) **Marin Clean Energy program and how it affects low income communities.** - Member D. Pilpel
4.) **AB2145-Bradford**- Member W. Aragon
5.) **AB-2159- Ammiano**- Member W. Aragon
6.) **Possible resolution urging Commissioners to take a position on CleanPowerSF**- Member W. Aragon
7.) **June: Environmental justice**- Member T. Zhu
8.) **July: Brown Act, Good Government Guide, and Sunshine Ordinance**
9.) **August: Formation of Bylaws Working Group.** - Member A. Jamdar
10.) **2014 Budget Resolution**- Member D. Pilpel
11.) **Climate Action Strategy plan background**- Member D. Pilpel

Items tabled as Pilpel not at meeting.

5. **Staff Report**
   - Staff asks that members please respond to quorum inquiries faster. Please call Ryan Iwata earlier to let him know if you will be attending so we can ensure quorum.
   - Maureen Barry informed the committee that SF Weekly recently published a great comic strip piece about our sewer system.

6. **Presentation and Discussion – Environmental Justice Update**
   - **Environmental Justice Implementation Update** - Yolanda Manzone, Environmental Justice/Land Use Analyst
   - Reflections on Environmental Justice Moving Forward - Member Zhu
   - Comments/Questions

**Background Information**
- [CAC EJ Resolution](#)
- [Commission EJ Policy](#)

**Presentation covered:**
- History and timeline of EJ: started with the 1964 Civil Rights Act.
- Goals for EJ policy implementation: tangible, efficient and effective integration of EJ principles into all business decisions that affect our core operations, program and policies.
- Educating SFPUC staff so that all employees know what EJ means for their work. Meaningful and diverse stakeholder engagement process and practices.
- Guiding principles and framework: use of system mapping integration.

**Topics of Discussion:**
- Environmental justice role with Treasure Island.
- What were some of the successes and best tools found during these pilot programs
- Level of involvement with residents in the Bayview
- Addressing existing stakeholders and newer people in the Bayview neighborhood.
- Reframing how communities view “Environmental Justice”, and trying to be a good neighbor by supporting healthy communities
- What is the SFPUC doing to support urban agriculture?
- Three sites identified in the Southeast area and each will pilot a different model for urban agriculture
- Continually looking for better ways to use SFPUC land for more positive environmental benefits for communities, and also tie in education to the public about water, power and wastewater.
Member Saddler leaves at 6:45 pm (8 members present, quorum is lost)

Defacto adjournment, rest of committee stays for discussion.

7. Commissioner Francesca Vietor - Introduction and Remarks

Commissioner Vietor was appointed by Gavin Newsom and has been on the Commission for six years. Her goal is to advance environmental policy in her daily work, her career, and in her role at the SFPUC. Her central vision is around climate resiliency. She feels climate change is already here and will impact our communities.

8. Announcements/Comments – The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Full CAC will take place on Tuesday, July 15, 2014

9. Adjournment