

Energy Council
TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)

Tuesday, July 21 2015 – 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Attendance:

City of Alameda: Maria DiMeglio

City of Albany: Claire Griffing

City of Berkeley: Katy VanDyke and Neil DeSnoo (phone)

City of Dublin: Kathy Southern

City of Emeryville: Nancy Humphrey

City of Fremont: Rachel DiFranco (phone)

City of Hayward: Mary Thomas

City of Livermore: Judy Erlandson (phone)

City of Newark: Myvan Khuu-Seeman (phone)

City of Oakland: Shayna Hirschfield

City of Piedmont: Kevin Jackson

City of Union City: Avalon Schultz (phone)

County of Alameda: Damien Gossett

StopWaste: Heather Larson, Stephanie Stern, Karen Kho, Wendy Sommer, Miya Kitahara, Candis Mary-Dauphin

Meeting Notes

Board Updates

- EC Board meeting dates; July 22, August recess
- No EC agenda item for July

CCA Updates

- One meeting held since last TAG which focused on RFP. A summary of comments has been released. Release scheduled for 7/29. Added an EE section to the RFP – Energy Efficiency and Demand Reduction will be included in the scope of work.
- Some Advisory Committee members have voiced concerns about delays in the schedule.

Program Updates

- Multifamily & Single family programs status (see hand-out)
 - Single family program is expecting a transfer of an additional 1.5 million from PG&E for Home Upgrade rebates.
 - Program Design Updates for 2016
 - Considering dropping advanced upgrade assessment incentive of \$300.
 - Reconsidering outreach strategy – ways to improve support of contractors that promote the program
 - 2016 Multifamily program design changes include integrating water measures and looking at ratcheting up minimum requirement for projects from 10% to 15%. CPUC has released a water/energy calculator that has allowed for

- inclusion of cold water measures. Program has seen interest from HOA's, so we're developing an HOA pathway that addresses their unique opportunities and constraints.
 - Looking at inclusion of EV assistance. Not under the EE umbrella of the CPUC, but may be able to provide technical assistance
- Real Estate/Green Labeling– StopWaste has convened a working group that is developing a white paper with recommendations for program design and coordination.
- Codes and Standards
 - Contra Costa County will discuss the BayREN Regional Plan Check pilot at next TAG meeting
- Financing
 - A couple of additional lenders are interested in joining BAMCAP. They offer unsecured equipment leasing products. These will be accessible to borrowers that are not in the process of refinancing. One lender specializes in HOAs.
 - Starting to build pipeline of borrowers as well.
 - PACE – BayREN is taking on a regional PACE effort.
 - **Action Item** – See if BayREN is interested in doing one-stop trainings for multiple providers in cities.

Climate Action Plan Updates

- Piedmont – thinking about setting a goal beyond 2020. Success of achieving current goal depends on how CCA goes. Would like to revise current CAP. Would like to hear what other cities are doing. Climate action plan is not rolled into General Plan, and prefers it that way, as CAP is more dynamic. Recommends reviewing measures again, as measures that aren't in original plan are being implemented.
- Albany – expects to meet their target based on state mandates, so they're looking to set new targets. Have rolled targets into general plan – 65% reduction by 2035, and Net Zero by 2050. To meet this, working on Building Energy Assessment and Disclosure Ordinance, eventually a BESO, and also plans to join CCA.
- Emeryville – may not meet target due to growth. Still measuring progress. Set 2030 energy goals. Wants to revisit measures – relevancy, comprehensiveness, reflect the measures that city has power to impact. August 13-14 – attending Cal Poly conference on climate planning.
- Hayward – ZNE for municipal. Looking to integrate wastewater energy plant measures. Focus on community outreach geared toward increasing uptake on current programs. Looking for better tools for inventory data. SEEC Clearpath tool is having an online training next week. Integrated CAP into general plan – sprinkled throughout.
- Oakland – currently in the process of an update.
- Union City – had a consultant prepare CAP, assumptions were not accurate. Have been restricted to qualitative updates. Impact analysis of measures that align more with the baseline would be helpful.
- Dublin - revised CAP in 2010, and recalculated baseline.
- Fremont – Reduced emissions by 11%, but with economic growth, that might change. Might need new methodology to capture micro changes such as EV ownership
- Berkeley – challenges in reaching goal. Scoping plan for AB 32.

- For all cities:
 - Sharing of best practices and methodologies
 - Funding assistance – Bay Area Climate Action Cooperative and Civic Spark might be good resources.

Water Policy Forum in September

- Possible Topics
 - WELO implementation
 - Existing ordinance implementation
 - Examples of water policies for city operations
 - New Construction water policies
 - Additional Requests
 - Using well water – successes and failures
 - Promoting recycled and greywater systems
 - Requiring greywater hookup
 - Model Cities
 - Hayward – water recycling
- Bay friendly coalition – series of workshops in October on how to implement WELO
- Tentative date for Water Policy Forum – September 15th from 10-2 (instead of TAG), the 22nd might work as well

2016 East Bay Energy Watch Coordination

- StopWaste has been asked about serving as a fiscal sponsor for Brendan (Partnership Manager) as an independent consultant. PG&E can no longer keep him as an independent consultant. He would continue to implement the same scope of work, and report to the EBEW Strategic Advisory Committee.
- Arrangement would allow EBEW to apply for additional funding sources for EE work in 2016.
- TAG members expressed support for the proposal and asked how Contra Costa jurisdictions felt about it. Contra Costa County is on board with this proposed structure. Other jurisdictions will have opportunity to discuss at the SAC meeting.
- If the EBEW SAC approves the structure, staff would take this to the Energy Council Board in the fall as an amendment to the existing Local Government Partnership contract with PG&E.

Member Agency Scholarships and Memberships

- Cities are interested in BECC and ZNE related conferences
- Heather will send Scholarship and Membership list on spreadsheet and prompt cities for additions

MEMBER COMMENTS & DISCUSSION

- Fremont is going to implement a residential group solar program through the Vote Solar Initiative – 50% discount off of market price.
Action Item: coordinate with Steph on sending an email blast
- ICLEI recieved a grant to administer EE training in apartments in Hayward.

NEXT TAG MEETING: Tuesday, August 18 2015 from 1pm-3pm