



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

July 16, 2019

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Adam, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COMMUNITY SERVICES

File Reference No. 19-00631

- RE:** HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding Community Choice Energy (CCE) Updated Feasibility Study Results, as follows: (EST. TIME: 1 HR.)
- a) Receive and file a Community Choice Aggregation Technical Study Update;
 - b) Provide staff with direction regarding CCE options, as follows:
 - i) Option 1. Continue engagement with interested cities to form a new joint powers authority (JPA) to create and administer a new CCE program as directed by the Board on July 17, 2018;
 - ii) Option 2. Discontinue formation of a new JPA and instead join an existing JPA, Monterey Bay Community Power Authority, to provide a CCE program for the unincorporated parts of Santa Barbara County only; or
 - iii) Option 3. Discontinue JPA formation and not implement a CCE program at this time;
 - c) If Option 2 is selected:
 - i) Approve the introduction (First Reading) of an Ordinance to authorize the implementation of a CCE program within the County's jurisdiction through participation in Monterey Bay Community Power's Community Choice Aggregation Program and waive a full reading of the Ordinance; and
 - ii) Set a hearing for August 13, 2019 to consider recommendations, as follows:
 - 1) Consider and approve the adoption (Second Reading) of the Ordinance to authorize the implementation of a CCE program within the County's jurisdiction through participation in Monterey Bay Community Power's Community Choice Aggregation Program;
 - 2) Consider and approve adoption of a Resolution requesting membership in the Monterey Bay Community Power joint powers authority; and
 - 3) Consider and approve rescission of Resolution 18-192, which directed County staff to pursue formation of a new JPA and CCE program;
 - d) Determine that the above recommended actions do not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15262, as the actions involve only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the Board has not approved, adopted, or funded and does not have a legally binding effect on later activities; CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions



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are the creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; and CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), finding that the actions are the organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment; or

e) Provide other direction to staff.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

HEARING TIME: 2:18 PM - 3:55 PM (1 HR. 37 MIN.)

Received and filed staff presentation and conducted public hearing.

A motion was made by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Hartmann, that this matter be acted on as follows:

a) Received and filed;

b) Approved Option 2, Discontinue formation of a new JPA and instead join an existing JPA, Monterey Bay Community Power Authority, to provide a CCE program for the unincorporated parts of Santa Barbara County;

c) i) Read title, waived further reading of the Ordinance. Introduction approved; adoption (second reading) set for August 13, 2019 in Santa Barbara;

c) ii) 1, 2 and 3) Set for August 13, 2019 in Santa Barbara;

d) Approved; and

e) No further action taken.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, and Supervisor Lavagnino

Noes: 1 - Supervisor Adam