SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
RATE FAIRNESS BOARD  
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO  

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Friday, November 12, 2021 1:00 – 3:00 PM  
(Approved February 4, 2022)  

This meeting is being held by Teleconference Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20 and the Twelfth Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency Dated February 25, 2020.  

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MEETING AGENDA
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
   Seat 1  Howard Ash, Chair
   Seat 2  Vacant
   Seat 3  Anna Van Degna
   Seat 4  Vacant
   Seat 5  Adam Nguyen
   Seat 6  Vacant
   Seat 7  Edward de Asis

   Chair Howard Ash called meeting to order at 1:03 PM. RFB Secretary
   Yvonne Rodriguez called roll: Chair Ash present, Member Van Degna
   present, Member Nguyen present, Member de Asis present. A quorum was
   present.

2. General Public Comment
   Members of the public may address the Rate Fairness Board (RFB) on
   matters that are within the Board’s jurisdiction but not on today’s agenda.

   Public Comment: None

3. Approval of the Minutes of September 24, 2021 Meeting (Discussion and
   Action)

   Chair Ash asked Board for comment or changes of minutes, there were no
   changes.

   Public Comment: None

   Chair Ash entertained motion. Member Van Degna moved to approve
   minutes. Member de Asis seconded motion. Chair Ash called for roll call
   vote to approve minutes, resulted in four ayes and zero nays:
   • Chair Ash           Aye
   • Member Van Degna    Aye
   • Member Nguyen       Aye
   • Member de Asis      Aye

4. Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings (Discussion and Action)
   Yvonne Rodriguez, RFB Secretary

   Chair Ash asked Board for questions. Member Nguyen asked if the calling of
   this item could be expedited in future meetings. Chair Ash discussed
requirements of resolution, Resolution Making Finding to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e). Further discussion followed. Chair Ash entertained motion to adopt resolution as written. Member Van Degna moved to approve motion. Chair Ash called for public comment on motion, no public comments, closed public comment. Chair Ash called for roll call vote on this item, resulted in four ayes and zero nays:

- Chair Ash Aye
- Member Van Degna Aye
- Member Nguyen Aye
- Member de Asis Aye

Public comment: none

5. Report of the Chair

a. 2021 Power Rates Study Revenue Requirement: CleanPowerSF and Hetch Hetchy Power (Presentation and Discussion)

NewGen Strategies & Solutions, Power Rates Study Consultant

Consultant Scott Burnham provided PowerPoint presentation about the following agenda topics: process/project completion status, revenue requirement—CleanPower SF, revenue requirement—Hetch Hetchy, status of modeling. Discussion followed.

b. Rate Fairness Board Members Recruitment Update

Kristina Alagar Cordero, Director of Financial Planning

(Discussion)

Director Kristina Alagar Cordero provided update about RFB vacant seat recruitments and the upcoming Mayor’s Office appointment of Reese Isbell to the Residential City Retail Customer seat. Discussion followed.

Public Comment: none

6. Announcements, Comments, Questions (Discussion)

Discussion followed about scheduling future RFB meetings and SFPUC’s new virtual meeting application Zoom, no longer using BlueJeans.

Public Comments:

Question by Amy Nagengast: I don’t see these rate fairness board minutes / presentations available online since April (https://sfpuc.org/about-us/boards-commissions-committees/rate-fairness-board). Will they be posted?
Response by Yvonne Rodriguez & Kristina Alagar Cordero:
up to date minutes and presentations will be added on
website as soon as possible.

7. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM.
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