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

Minutes of Regular Meeting    
Friday, March 18, 2022 2:00 – 5:00 PM    
(Approved April 8, 2022)

San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) Rate Fairness Board’s regular meeting room at 525 Golden Gate Avenue is closed. The Board and SFPUC staff will convene Rate Fairness Board meetings remotely by teleconference.

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MEETING AGENDA

Materials Distributed: Regular meeting agenda of March 18, 2022; Item 2 City Attorney Memo Public Resolution 54953(e); Item 4 Oath of Office, TMcMahon; Item 5 RFB Agenda-20220204-Draft Minutes; Item 7a RFB Power Rate Study (PPT)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
   Seat 1  Howard Ash, Chair
   Seat 2  Vacant
   Seat 3  Vishal Trivedi
   Seat 4  Reese Isbell
   Seat 5  Trisha McMahon
   Seat 6  Vacant
   Seat 7  Edward de Asis

   The regular meeting of the Rate Fairness Board was called to order at 2:04 PM via teleconference.

   Roll Call:
   • Present: Chair Ash, Member Trivedi, Member Isbell, Member de Asis.
   • A quorum was present.

   RFB Secretary provided the following reminders: remote meeting authorized by the California Government Code Section 54953(e); instructions for public participation during public comment periods; recording of meeting for minutes only, not to be published.

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

   RFB Secretary read the following: Adopt findings under State urgency legislation California Government Code Section 54953(e) to allow teleconferenced meetings during the COVID-19 Emergency and direct the Board Secretary to agendize a similar resolution at a Board meeting within the next 30 days.

   Public Comment: none

   Roll-Call Vote:
   • Ayes: Chair Ash, Member Trivedi, Member Isbell, Member de Asis

3. 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

4. Instate New Rate Fairness Board Member

   Trisha McMahon, City Administrator Appointing Office
   (Instate to Board)

   Chair Ash read an Oath of Office statement to instate Trisha McMahon as member of the Rate Fairness Board. McMahon introduced herself to public and Board.

   Chair asked all members to provide a self-introduction.

   Public Comment: none

5. Approval of the Minutes of February 4, 2022, Meeting (Discussion and Action)

   The minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2022, were adopted unanimously upon a motion by Member Isbell and a second by Member de Asis.

   There were no questions from the Members and no public comment.

   Roll-Call Vote:
   • Ayes: Chair Ash, Member Trivedi, Member Isbell, Member de Asis, Member McMahon aye

   The following provided public comment submitted after March 18, 2022, meeting concluded and will be included into meeting record:
   • Amy Nagengast: Could the meeting minutes reflect the questions and answers from the commissioners that were addressed in the prior meeting? If possible, adding in the responses to the submitted public comment questions would also be useful.

6. Break (5 minutes)

7. Report of the Chair

   a. 2021-2022 Power Rates Study Cost of Service and Rate Design: CleanPowerSF and Hetch Hetchy Power
      NewGen Strategies & Solutions, Power Rates Study Consultant (Presentation and Discussion)
Consultant Scott Burnham provided presentation about the following topics: upcoming meetings and objectives; CleanPowerSF Power Rate Design, Hetch Hetchy Power Rate Design. Discussion followed.

Rates Administrator Erin Franks informed Board that staff, SFPUC Financial Planning (rates team), will present staff proposal at the RFB meeting on April 8, 2022. Rates Administrator Franks further explained Board’s role at the May 10 Commission meeting. Members asked about updated CleanPowerSF/Hetch Hethcy rates data. Franks and Burnham explained that updated data will be provided at the next RFB meeting, April 8.

Member McMahon asked about customer base size and use with the rate structure proposal. Franks explained this information is included in RFB 101 overview presentation. Franks offered to provide an additional overview at a future RFB meeting. Financial Planning Director Kristina Alagar Cordero offered to provide a refresher about the first portion of the current Power and CleanPowerSF rates study, upon request.

Public Comment:
- Amy Nagengast: Can you talk about rates for electrification beyond heating, i.e. EV?

8. Announcements, Comments, Questions (Discussion)

Chair Ash inquired about in-person attendance at the next Commission meeting, May 10. Director Alagar Cordero confirmed that some rates staff team members will be present in-person.

Chair Ash explained that after the RFB April 8, where staff will present staff rates proposal, the Board may need to schedule additional meetings to discuss proposal further to develop Board’s recommendation.

Public Comment: none

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:49 PM.
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