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

Minutes of Special Meeting
Friday, March 22, 2024, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
(Approved April 10, 2024)

Members of the Rate Fairness Board will attend this meeting in-person. Members of the public are invited to observe the meeting in-person or remotely online as described below. Members of the public attending the meeting in person or remotely online will have an opportunity to provide public comment on every item. It is possible that not every person in the queue will have an opportunity to provide remote public comment.

In-person Meeting: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), 525 Golden Gate Avenue, 2nd Floor, O’Shaughnessy Conference Room, San Francisco, CA 94102

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MEETING AGENDA

Materials Distributed: Special Meeting Agenda for March 22, 2024; Draft Special Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2024; Introduction: Hetch Hetchy Power and Clean Power SF, Update on Hetch Hetchy Power Rates, Update on CleanPowerSF Rates, Communications Plan for Power Rate Updates

1. Call to Order

The special meeting of the SFPUC Rate Fairness Board (RFB) was called to order at 2:03 PM in-person and via teleconference.

2. Roll Call

Member Name/Title                  Appointed By
Howard Ash, Chair, Residential City Retail Customer  Board of Supervisors
Masood Samereie, Vice Chair, City Retail Large Business Customer  Mayor's Office
Trisha McMahon, Budget and Planning Manager  City Administrator
Calvin Quock, Budget and Revenue Analyst  Controller's Office
Vishal Trivedi, Financial Analyst of Office of Public Finance  Controller's Office
Vacant, City Retail Small Business Customer  Board of Supervisors
Eric Dew, Residential City Retail Customer  Mayor's Office

Roll Call:
- Present: Chair Ash, Member McMahon, Member Trivedi, Member Quock, Member Dew, Member Samereie

3. 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: No public comment

4. Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2024

(Discussion and Action)

Chair Ash asked Board for comments, questions, or concerns. There were no comments from the Board.

Public Comment: No public comment.

The minutes of the special meeting of March 1, 2024, were adopted unanimously upon a motion by Member Samereie and seconded by Member Trivedi.

Roll Call Vote:
- Ayes: Chair Ash, Member McMahon, Member Trivedi, Member Quock, Member Dew, Member Samereie
5. Items Initiated by Board Members
   a. Election of Board Officers (Discussion and Possible Action)

   Chair Ash referenced board bylaws and board agreed to elect a vice-chair.

   Member Samereie was nominated vice-chair upon a motion by Member Trivedi.

   Public Comment: No public comment.

Roll Call Vote:
- Ayes: Chair Ash, Member McMahon, Member Trivedi, Member Quock, Member Dew, Member Samereie

b. Introduction: Hetch Hetchy Power and Clean Power SF (Discussion)

   a. Overview of Systems and Customers Served

   Erin Corvinova, Financial Planning Director, presents slides on overview of Hetch Hetchy Power and CleanPowerSF. History of the utility company is discussed as well as the similarities and differences of the two enterprises.

   Member Trivedi asks if excess power generated from Hetchy is sold to CleanPowerSF (CPSF). E. Corvinova confirms that excess power is often sold to CPSF or other entities and further explains that it also procures power from other entities when in a shortage.

   Vice-chair Samereie asks about role of Rate Fairness Board in negotiations of initial power purchase contracts. E. Corvinova explains the process of negotiating long term power contracts.

   Discussion continues with staff and board members on overview of Hetch Hetchy Power and Clean Power SF and their customers.

   b. History of Hetchy Power and CleanPowerSF Rates

   Erin Corvinova continues with slides on the history of Hetchy Power and CleanPowerSF rates. Staff discusses comparison of power rates and how PG&E rates influenced the rate-setting.

   Discussion continued between PUC staff on the history of Hetchy Power and CleanPowerSF rates and contributors to rising rates.

   Public Comment: No public comment.
6. Report of the Chair (Discussion)

a. Update on Hetch Hetchy Power Rates

Matthew Freiberg, Rates Manager, presents slides on updates to power rates. M. Freiberg illustrates the process of a rate study and the findings of the recent rate study with power rates. M. Freiberg shares rising enterprise expenditures and rising costs.

Member Trivedi asks the cause of increase in purchased power supply. Staff answers that the cause is the rise in demand and power costs.

M. Freiberg discusses the capital spending plan and projects funded which raise rates but will also lead to increased revenue.

Staff introduces proposed plans to consolidate rates and updates to Shoreside Power Rates and answers questions from members.

Discussion continued between PUC staff and members on updates for Hetch Hetchy Power Rates.

Public Comment: No public comment.

b. Update on CleanPowerSF Rates

M. Freiberg continues with slides with updates on CleanPowerSF rates. Presents past power sale volumes and expense forecasts and explains influences of trends. Describes how staff use projections and data to calculate rates.

Member Trivedi asks for clarification of what a large commercial entity would be. E. Corvinova gives example that the size category is based on peak power demand.

Staff walks through considerations for approach to setting new rates and how they make their decision.

Discussion continued between PUC staff and members on updates for CleanPowerSF Power Rates.

Public Comment: No public comment.

c. Communications Plan for Power Rate Updates

E. Corvinova introduces rates communications plan and collaboration with communications team to update customers of proposed rate
changes. Planned communications include messaging on bills, e-newsletters, bill inserts, postcards, and website announcements.

Public Comment: No public comment.

7. Announcements, Comments, Questions (Discussion)

Board discussed scheduling of subsequent meetings. Next meeting scheduled for April 12th will be rescheduled. E. Corvinova suggested scheduling an additional meeting for review ahead of commission meeting.

Members agree to focus on presentations from staff on power rates for subsequent meetings.

M. Freiberg suggests discussion on changes to net metering and state level changes.

Public Comment: No public comment.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:32 PM.
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