

AGENDA

East Oakland AB 617 Community Steering Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 10th, 2022, 6:00 pm to 8:11 pm PDT

Virtual Facilitator: Margaretta Lin and Lujain Al-Saleh

Note-taker: Amy Chu

Co-Leads: Not Selected

CBE: Communities for a Better Environment

Air District: Bay Area Air Quality Management District

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85787941453>

Website with Meeting Materials and Meeting Video Recording:

<https://www.baaqmd.gov/community-health/community-health-protection-program/east-oakland-community-emissions-reduction-plan>

Time	Topic
6:00 pm	Welcome, Meeting Logistics, and Community Building (28 mins; 6:00-6:28 PM) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Interpretation and Welcome (5 mins)● Updates (13 mins)● Public Meeting Clarification (8 mins)
6:26 pm	Grounding: East Oakland Environmental Justice and CBE (32 mins; 6:28-7:00 PM) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● History of EJ in East Oakland and CBE's role (20 mins)● Q+A (20 mins)
7:00 pm	Short Break (5 mins; 7:00-7:05 PM)
7:05 pm	Overview of Proposed process for co-chair selection and feedback (65 mins; 7:05 - 8:10 PM) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Present proposal of nomination timeline and vote (25 mins)● Review and vote on responsibilities (20 mins)● Review and vote on criteria (20 mins)
8:10 pm	Next steps and Close out (2 mins; 8:10 - 8:12 PM)

MEETING NOTES

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Time	Topic	Transcribed Meeting Minutes/Summary
6:00 PM	<p>Welcome, Meeting Logistics, and Community Building – Margaretta Lin (26 mins; 6:00-6:26 PM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretation and Welcome (8 mins) • Updates (10 mins) • Public Meeting Clarification (8 mins) 	<p>VIDEO TIME STAMP: 00:00:00 - 00:20:01</p> <p>Steering Committee Members Present: 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aiyanna Johnson • Andrea Pineda • Andria Blackmon • Carol Corr • Charles Reed • Colleen Liang • Cynthia Gutierrez • Danny Scott • Gabrielle Sloane-Law • Jamaica Sowell • Jamie Schecter • Jasmine Gonzalez • Khalilha Haynes • Kimi Watkins-Tartt • Marina Muñoz • Merika Reagan • Ms. Cecilia Cunningham • Mykela Patton • Njeri McGee-Tyner • Shamar Theus • Susan Goolsby • Xochitl Diaz-Suarez • Erika Pascual <p>CSC members were told to introduce themselves in the zoom chat with their name, pronouns, and organization.</p> <p>Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Esther Goolsby will be a part of CSC efforts as CBE staff and will no longer be a CSC member. • Esrika Pascual will be joining the CSC as a youth member. • There will be fewer agenda items during the meetings to stay on track. <p>CSC Public Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Oakland CSC agendas, presentations, and notes are available at http://bit.ly/EOCSC. • CSC members asked for more information on the roles and responsibilities of co-lead staff.

<p>6:26 PM</p>	<p>Grounding: East Oakland Environmental Justice and CBE – Esther Goolsby (34 mins; 6:26-7:00 PM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● History of EJ in East Oakland and CBE’s role (14 mins) ● Q+A (20 mins) 	<p>VIDEO TIME STAMP: 00:20:01 - 00:54:53</p> <p>Esther Goolsby from CBE covered <i>Grounding: East oakland Environmental Justice & CBE</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Communities for a Better Environment (CBE) is one of the nation's first organizations dedicated solely to environmental justice. CBE launched in the Bay Area in 1978. ● CBE operates on a triad model with environmental justice efforts at the center. Community organizing, legal advocacy, and science and research are all used together to push for justice and a just transition. ● Early CBE organizing efforts include toxic tours, mapping studies, AB&I air monitoring, and health surveys, to name a few. ● Current East Oakland campaigns: Freedom to Breathe, Oakland General Plan, CBE Action, to name a few. <p>Comments and Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A CSC member asked for clarification around the ongoing lawsuits involving CBE. Esther Goolsby from CBE clarified that CBE has been involved in lawsuits against AB&I and the Air District. ● A CSC member asked if this lawsuit against the Air District precludes the collaboration between the Air District and CBE under AB 617. Suma Peesapati from the Air District clarified that the lawsuit does not preclude collaboration under AB 617. ● A CSC member asked: How easy is it for the community to become involved in this work and do many people know about redlining and pollution? Esther Goolsby from CBE answered that community members have become accustomed to breathing toxic air, but many community members get involved because they want to secure a good future for the next generations. Esther also mentioned that there are regular CBE meetings open to the public. ● A CSC member asked: What is CBE's greatest organizing accomplishment? Esther Goolsby responds that working on getting Senate Bill (SB) 1000 passed was impactful. SB 1000 made sure all California City and County General Plans have a chapter dedicated to environmental justice. Their campaign around solar energy was also impactful. Environmental work is a theme in all other issues. <p>Esther Goolsby covered <i>CBE’s Role in AB 617</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Initially, CBE opposed Assembly Bill (AB) 617. In 2019, CBE met with their membership and created a draft work plan to share with BAAQMD. ● Held extensive meetings about benefits and challenges of AB 617 ● Timeline of Conversations with BAAQMD and AB 617. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May-July 2021: After preparing with community allies to meet with BAAQMD, CBE agreed to be a lead partner organization. CBE started holding discussions around
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7:00 PM	Short Break (5 mins; 7:00- 7:05 PM)	VIDEO TIME STAMP: 00:54:53 - 00:59:04
7:05 PM	Overview of Proposed process for co-chair selection and feedback (65 mins; 7:05-8:10 PM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Present proposal of nomination timeline and vote (25 mins) ● Review and vote on responsibilities (20 mins) ● Review and vote on criteria (20 mins) 	VIDEO TIME STAMP: 00:59:04 - 02:04:07 <p>Margaretta Lin from Just Cities covered <i>Co-Chair Selection Process and Agreement on Interim Voting Process</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The interim voting process is majority. <p>Margaretta Lin from Just Cities facilitated the voting on Proposed Co-Chair Nomination and Election Process. CSC members discussed two proposed options.</p> <p>A roll call vote was taken and Option 1 was chosen:</p> <p>Co-Chair Nomination and Election Process:</p> <p><i>After November meeting</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 11/28: CSC members submit responses to Co-Chair questionnaire based on criteria that CSC members voted on via a google form. ● 12/2: Responses will be submitted to CSC in advance for review <p><i>December meeting</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CSC will hear 2-minute speech from Co-Chair candidates (proposed by CBE/BAAQMD) ● CSC votes. Each CSC member has 3 votes, 1 for youth and 2 for adults. Majority (more than 50% of CSC members

present) wins

After December meeting

- Just Cities will coordinate to schedule preparation meetings with new Co-Chairs

Lujain Al-Saleh from CBE and Margaretta Lin from Just Cities facilitated the vote on Proposed Roles and Responsibilities of Steering Committee Co-Chairs. CSC members discussed two options.

A roll call vote was taken and Option 2 was chosen:

Roles and Responsibilities of Steering Committee Co-Chairs

- Provide CSC leadership and guidance along with CBE staff
 - 1-2 orientation meetings with Air District & CBE staff & Just Cities
- Help plan CSC agendas, facilitate breakout sessions and discussions
 - Meet multiple times per month with Air District & CBE staff to prepare for CSC meetings (including agendas) (about 5 hours of meetings per month *in addition* to monthly CSC meetings)
- Provide direction for Air District & CBE to develop Community Emissions Reduction Plan
- If you miss 2 consecutive meetings, another co-chair will be selected.

Margaretta Lin from Just Cities facilitated the vote on Criteria and Qualifications for Co-Chairs. CSC members discussed three options.

A roll call vote was taken and CSC members chose Option 3:

Criteria/Qualifications/Experience for Serving as Effective CSC Co-Chairs

- Top-to-bottom understanding of what the job is and the vision.
- Not easily persuaded.
- Not afraid of conflict.
- Different Criteria/Experience for youth.
- Drive to solutions.
- Have timelines in place to reach resolution.
- Experience working effectively with racially/culturally/linguistically/ generational diverse people;
- Experience resolving conflicts in healthy and productive ways (Nice to have conflict resolution/restorative justice experience);
- Active listener;
- Experience managing large group dynamics;
- Demonstrated commitment and service to the East Oakland community

8:10 PM	Next Steps and Close Out (1 min)	VIDEO TIME STAMP 02:04:07
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Next Meeting Details

Date: December 8, 2022

Time: 6 pm - 8 pm

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85787941453>