

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
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Board of Directors Special Meeting
Wednesday, November 17, 2021

APPROVED MINUTES

*Note: Audio recordings of the meeting are available on the website of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District at
www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas*

This meeting was conducted under procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361. Members of the Board of Directors participated by teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

1. **Opening Comments:** Board of Directors (Board) Chairperson, Cindy Chavez, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairperson Cindy Chavez; Vice Chairperson Karen Mitchoff; Secretary John Bauters; and Directors Teresa Barrett, Rich Constantine, Pauline Russo Cutter, John Gioia, Erin Hannigan, David Haubert, Lynda Hopkins, David Hudson, Davina Hurt, Tyrone Jue, Myrna Melgar, Nate Miley, Rob Rennie, Mark Ross, Brad Wagenknecht, Shamann Walton, and Lori Wilson.

Absent: Directors Margaret Abe-Koga, David Canepa, Carole Groom, and Katie Rice.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 2 – 9)

2. Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of November 3, 2021
3. Board Communications Received from November 3, 2021, through November 16, 2021
4. Air District Personnel on Out-of-State Business Travel
5. Request that \$100,000 of the \$1 million in the Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2022 Budget, Designated to Fund a Wildfire Preparedness Program, be Reallocated to Fund Home Air Filtration Program Projects
6. Set a Public Hearing for December 15, 2021, to Consider Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Regulation 2, Rule 1: General Requirements (Rule 2-1) and Regulation 2, Rule 5: New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants (Rule 2-5) and Adoption of a Negative Declaration Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
7. Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee Meeting
- 7.1 **ACTION REQUESTED:** Receive Committee Chair Summary Report of October 28, 2021
- 7.2 Report of the Mobile Source and Climate Impacts Committee Meeting of October 28, 2021

The Board of Directors approved the following:

A) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Projects and Contracts with Proposed Grant Awards Over \$100,000

- 1) *Approve recommended projects with proposed grant awards over \$100,000;*
- 2) *Authorize the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) to enter into all necessary agreements with applicants for the recommended projects; and*
- 3) *Allocate an additional \$2 million for the electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure, Charge! program, for projects serving multi-unit dwellings in Assembly Bill (AB) 617 communities.*

B) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Proposed Updates to the Transportation Fund for Clean Air County Program Manager Fund Policies for Fiscal Year Ending 2023

- 1) *Approve the proposed updates to the Transportation Fund for Clean Air County Program Manager Fund Policies for Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2023.*
 - a. *Increase cost-effectiveness threshold in Policy #2 for Infrastructure Improvements for Trip Reduction;*
 - b. *Rename “Shuttle/Feeder Bus Service” to “First-and-Last-Mile Connections” for clarification that services aren’t limited to only shuttles or buses; and*
 - c. *Under the Alternative Fuel Heavy-Duty Trucks and Buses category, increase the percentage of project costs that are eligible for reimbursement for School Bus projects from 90% to 100%.*

C) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Clean Cars for All Contractor Selection

- 1) *Approve the selection of GRID Alternatives Bay Area (GRID) as Clean Cars for All (CCFA) program contractor;*
- 2) *Authorize the Executive Officer/APCO to execute contracts with GRID for the CCFA program for up to \$624,755 for a two-year term; and*
- 3) *Authorize the Executive Officer/APCO to extend these services and budget for an additional three years, at the Air District’s discretion, based on contractor performance.*

8. Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee Meeting

8.1 **ACTION REQUESTED:** Receive Committee Chair Summary Report of November 4, 2021

8.2 Report of the Community Equity, Health and Justice Committee Meeting of November 4, 2021

ACTION REQUESTED: Slate of Recommended Candidates for the Community Advisory Council

The Board of Directors approved the proposed slate of fifteen candidates, and two additional youth candidates (Kevin Ruano Hernandez and Cecilia Mejia), for a total of 17 Community Advisory Council members.

9. Nominating Committee Meeting

9.1 **ACTION REQUESTED:** Receive Committee Chair Summary Report of November 17, 2021

9.2 Report of the Nominating Committee Meeting of November 17, 2021

A) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Consideration and Nomination of Board Officers for the Term of Office Commencing 2022

The Board of Directors approved Karen Mitchoff as Chairperson; John Bauters as Vice Chairperson; and Davina Hurt as Secretary.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Board Comments

The Committee and staff discussed the recommended slate of Board Officers for 2022 (Item 9); the recommended allocation of an additional \$2 million for the electric vehicle infrastructure via the *Charge!* program, for projects serving multi-unit dwellings in Assembly Bill 617 communities (Item 7.2A-3); and the recommended slate of the Community Advisory Council members (Item 8).

Board Action

Director Hudson made a motion, seconded by Director Walton, to **approve** the Consent Calendar Items 2 through 9, inclusive; and the motion **carried** by the following vote of the Board:

AYES: Bauters, Barrett, Chavez, Constantine, Cutter, Gioia, Hannigan, Haubert, Hopkins, Hudson, Hurt, Jue, Melgar, Miley, Mitchoff, Rennie, Ross, Wagenknecht, Walton, Wilson.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Abe-Koga, Canepa, Groom, Rice.

PRESENTATIONS

10. **Environmental Justice Training Module: Structural Racism and Environmental Injustice**

The Board of Directors continued its first Environmental Justice Training session, which focused on the historical connection between racial segregation and structural racism, as well as local and nationwide current day environmental injustices. This training was given by Deldi Reyes, Director of the Community Air Protection Program at the California Air Resources Board. Ms. Reyes continued with the presentation *Structural Racism and Environmental Justice*, along with Kevin Olp, Community Engagement Senior Staff Specialist. Slides included: model of change; why lead with race; racial equity framework; dimensions of racism; examples; redlining and racism; why; share a root cause to explain

the pattern; West Oakland; story maps; redlined neighborhoods and asthma Emergency Room visits in Oakland and San Francisco; redlined neighborhoods and CalEnviroScreen 3.0 scores in Oakland and San Francisco; pollution and prejudice project findings; results based on accountability (video); share any takeaways you have from the Theo Miller clip; partnering; partnership in practice; and the myth of neutrality.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Board Comments

The Board and staff discussed the need for the Board to be purposeful and examine how root causes impact decisions; and a scheduling conflict on December 1 with the California State Association of Counties Annual Meeting, and the subsequent request to begin the December 1 Board meeting at 8:00 a.m.

Board Action

None; receive and file.

11. Report Out on COP26 Climate Conference

The Board of Directors received a report out from Aid District staff and Board members who attended the recent 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP26 (Conference of the Parties) annual summit, which brings countries together to accelerate action towards the goals of the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Jack P. Broadbent, Executive Officer/APCO, Abby Young, Climate Protection Manager, and Kristine Roselius, Director of Communications; gave the staff presentation *Report Out on COP26 Climate Conference*, including: outcome; outline; requested action; background; key issues; outcomes; how the Air District fits in; and sharing the COP experience. A video showcasing highlights from the conference was played, and then Board members Bauters, Hopkins, and Hurt, who attended the conference, gave their impressions and reflections.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Gary Hughes, Biofuelwatch; Dr. Stephen Rosenblum, Palo Alto resident; and Jed Holtzman, San Francisco resident.

Board Comments

The Board and staff discussed the suggestion of holding a climate conference, similar to a COP Climate Conference, in the Bay Area.

Board Action

None; receive and file.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

12. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3

No requests received.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

13. Board Members' Comments

Director Jue acknowledged Azibuike Akaba, Public Information Officer, for helping arrange for the Environmental Justice Training session.

OTHER BUSINESS

14. Report of the Executive Officer/APCO

Jack P. Broadbent, Executive Officer/APCO, had nothing to report.

15. Chairperson's Report

Chair Chavez reported that San Francisco Mayor, London Breed, reappointed herself (with Tyrone Jue as her Deputy) to the Air District's Board for another two-year term, effective Dec 10, 2021 (until December 10, 2023.)

16. Time and Place of Next Meeting

Before the meeting adjourned, Chair Chavez moved the time of the next meeting, on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, from 8:30 a.m., to 8:00 a.m., via webcast, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361.

17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka

Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards