



**Metropolitan Transportation  
Commission  
Meeting Minutes 3 - Draft**

Bay Area Metro Center  
375 Beale Street  
Suite 700  
San Francisco, CA 94105

**ABAG POWER Board of Directors**

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Thursday, May 25, 2023

11:00 AM

Yerba Buena - 1st Floor

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**ABAG Publicly Owned Energy Resources  
Board of Directors**

**Special Meeting No. 2023-01**

**Teleconference Locations:**

**Gonzales City Hall, City Manager's Office, 147 4th Street, Gonzales, CA 93926**

**Los Altos City Hall, City Manager's Office, 1 N. San Antonio Road, Los Altos, CA 94022**

**Milpitas City Hall, 455 East Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas, CA 95035**

**Moraga Administrative Office, 329 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556**

**Petaluma City Hall, City Manager's Office, 11 English St, Petaluma, CA 94952**

**Chair, Vacant**

**Vice Chair, Doug Williams, City of Santa Rosa**

**Agenda and roster available at <https://abag.ca.gov/our-work/energy-infrastructure/power>.**

**For information, contact Clerk of the Committee at (415) 820-7973.**

**Committee Representative Roster:**

**Erin Smith, City of Alameda**

**Sean Prevette, Alameda Housing Authority**

**Mark Hurley, City of Albany**

**George Rodericks, Town of Atherton**

**Kyle Ochendusko, City of Benicia**

**Diana Oyler, County of Contra Costa**

**Andre Duurvoort, City of Cupertino**

**Dan Schoenholz, City of Fremont**

**Jennifer Mennucci, GGBHTD**

**Trevin Barber, City of Gonzales**

**Matthew Chidester, City of Half Moon Bay**

**Mike Robers, City of Hercules**

**Gabe Engeland, City of Los Altos**

**Trevor Atashkarian, City of Mill Valley**

**Sam Bautista, City of Millbrae**

**Elaine Marshall, City of Milpitas**

**Steve Leonardis, City of Monte Sereno**

**Annie To, Town of Moraga**

**Steve Lederer, County of Napa**

**Daniel Hamilton, City of Oakland**

**David Biggs, City of Orinda**

Yulia Carter, City of Pacifica  
Patrick Carter, City of Petaluma  
Becky Hopkins, City of Pleasanton  
Samantha Carr, City of Richmond  
Adam Spaulding, City of Salinas  
Steven Machida, City of San Carlos  
April Miller, City of San Rafael  
Gary Behrens, County of San Mateo  
Brad Vance, County of Santa Clara  
Doug Williams, City of Santa Rosa  
Thomas Scott, City of Saratoga  
Bob Calderon, City of Union City  
Melissa Morton, Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control District  
Oscar Alcantar, City of Vallejo  
Gabriel Gordo, City of Watsonville  
Kathleen Trepas, City of Winters

**Staff Roster:**

Brad Paul  
Matthew Lavrinets  
Jennifer Berg  
Ryan Jacoby  
Fera Chandra  
Cindy Chen (Clerk)

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

Vice Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Quorum was present.

Call to Order.

Doug Williams, ABAG POWER Executive Committee Vice Chair, City of Santa Rosa

Roll Call / Confirm Quorum.

Cindy Chen, Energy Programs Coordinator, ABAG/MTC

**Present:** 16 - Board Member Pevette, Board Member Rodericks, Board Member Oyler, Board Member Mennucci, Board Member Barber, Board Member Engeland, Board Member Bautista, Board Member Marshall, Board Member To, Board Member Lederer, Board Member Hamilton, Board Member Carter, Board Member Hopkins, (Alternate) Vance, Board Member Williams, and Board Member Gordo

**Absent:** 21 - Board Member Smith, Board Member Hurley, Board Member Ochendusko, Board Member Duurvoort, Board Member Schoelholz, Board Member Chidester, Board Member Robers, Board Member Atashkarian, Board Member Leonardis, Board Member Biggs, Board Member Carter, Board Member Carr, Board Member Spaulding, Board Member Machida, Board Member Miller, Board Member Behrens, Board Member Scott, Board Member Calderon, Board Member Morton, Board Member Alcantar, and Board Member Trepas

Carmen Gill acted as a delegate and voting member of the Board in place of Trevin Barber, City of Gonzales.

## 2. Public Comment

Vice Chair Williams invited any member of the public in attendance to provide public comment on items not on the agenda. None was provided.

## 3. Consent Calendar

[23-0698](#) Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.

**Attachments:** [3.a- Approval of Minutes from 10202022 Board of Directors Meeting](#)

**Motion was made by Board Member Hopkins and seconded by Board Member Oyler to approve the Consent Calendar, consisting of the Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2022. The Motion passed by the following vote:**

- Aye:** 12 - Board Member Prevette, Board Member Rodericks, Board Member Oyler, Board Member Mennucci, Board Member Barber, Board Member Engeland, Board Member To, Board Member Lederer, Board Member Carter, Board Member Hopkins, Board Member Williams, and Board Member Gordo
- Absent:** 21 - Board Member Smith, Board Member Hurley, Board Member Ochendusko, Board Member Duurvoort, Board Member Schoelholz, Board Member Chidester, Board Member Robers, Board Member Atashkarian, Board Member Leonardis, Board Member Biggs, Board Member Carter, Board Member Carr, Board Member Spaulding, Board Member Machida, Board Member Miller, Board Member Behrens, Board Member Scott, Board Member Calderon, Board Member Morton, Board Member Alcantar, and Board Member Trepia
- Abstain:** 4 - Board Member Bautista, Board Member Marshall, Board Member Hamilton, and (Alternate) Vance

## 4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair and Ratification of the Executive Committee for Calendar Year 2023

[23-0699](#) Board of Directors to elect the Chair and Vice Chair and ratify the ABAG POWER Executive Committee for Calendar Year 2023.

**Attachments:** [4.a- ABAG POWER Calendar Year 2023 Executive Committee](#)

**Motion was made by Board Member Hamilton and seconded by Board Member Hopkins to approve the calendar year 2023 Executive Committee, including the election of Chair and Vice Chair. The motion passed by the following vote:**

- Aye:** 16 - Board Member Prevette, Board Member Rodericks, Board Member Oyler, Board Member Mennucci, Board Member Barber, Board Member Engeland, Board Member Bautista, Board Member Marshall, Board Member To, Board Member Lederer, Board Member Hamilton, Board Member Carter, Board Member Hopkins, (Alternate) Vance, Board Member Williams, and Board Member Gordo
- Absent:** 21 - Board Member Smith, Board Member Hurley, Board Member Ochendusko, Board Member Duurvoort, Board Member Schoelholz, Board Member Chidester, Board Member Robers, Board Member Atashkarian, Board Member Leonardis, Board Member Biggs, Board Member Carter, Board Member Carr, Board Member Spaulding, Board Member Machida, Board Member Miller, Board Member Behrens, Board Member Scott, Board Member Calderon, Board Member Morton, Board Member Alcantar, and Board Member Trepia

## 5. Establishment of Renewable Natural Gas Program

Kelly Schoonmaker provided an overview of Senate Bill 1383's jurisdictional procurement requirements. Ryan Jacoby provided an overview of renewable natural gas, potential benefits of a renewable natural gas program, and a potential structure for member agreements. Shayne Petkiewicz provided an overview of Anaergia's public-private partnership to convert organics into renewable natural gas at the Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority.

### [23-0700](#)

Adoption of Resolution No. 23-04, which 1) amends Sections 7A.1 Programs and 7.A.3 Program Committees of the Bylaws to create a Renewable Natural Gas Program and to have the Executive Committee serve as the Program Committee to the Renewable Natural Gas Program; 2) authorizes the Executive Director (or designee) of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission a) to negotiate and execute agreements with current ABAG POWER members to allow them to participate in the Renewable Natural Gas Program, and suppliers to provide renewable natural gas as part of the Renewable Natural Gas Program and b) to take actions incidental or necessary to establish and implement the Renewable Natural Gas Program, and 3) finds that the actions taken are exempt from environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act Guideline 15308, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment.

**Attachments:** [5.a- SB 1383 Regulations Procurement Overview](#)

[5.b- Proposed Renewable Natural Gas Program](#)

[5.c- Anaergia Overview](#)

[5.d.- Summary Sheet – Establishment of Renewable Natural Gas Program](#)

[5.e.- Resolution 23-04 Establishment of Renewable Natural Gas Program](#)

[5.f.- PublicComment DaleRoberts](#)

**Motion was made by Board Member Lederer and seconded by Board Member Bautista to adopt Resolution No. 23-04, which 1) amends Sections 7A.1 Programs and 7.A.3 Program Committees of the Bylaws to create a Renewable Natural Gas Program and to have the Executive Committee serve as the Program Committee to the Renewable Natural Gas Program; 2) authorizes the Executive Director (or designee) of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission a) to negotiate and execute agreements with current ABAG POWER members to allow them to participate in the Renewable Natural Gas Program, and suppliers to provide renewable natural gas as part of the Renewable Natural Gas Program and b) to take actions incidental or necessary to establish and implement the Renewable Natural Gas Program, and 3) finds that the actions taken are exempt from environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act Guideline 15308, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 15 - Board Member Prevette, Board Member Rodericks, Board Member Oyler, Board Member Mennucci, Board Member Barber, Board Member Engeland, Board Member Bautista, Board Member Marshall, Board Member Lederer, Board Member Hamilton, Board Member Carter, Board Member Hopkins, (Alternate) Vance, Board Member Williams, and Board Member Gordo

**Absent:** 21 - Board Member Smith, Board Member Hurley, Board Member Ochendusko, Board Member Duurvoort, Board Member Schoelholz, Board Member Chidester, Board Member Robers, Board Member Atashkarian, Board Member Leonardis, Board Member Biggs, Board Member Carter, Board Member Carr, Board Member Spaulding, Board Member Machida, Board Member Miller, Board Member Behrens, Board Member Scott, Board Member Calderon, Board Member Morton, Board Member Alcantar, and Board Member Trepia

**Abstain:** 1 - Board Member To

## 6. Adjournment / Next Meeting

The next meeting of the ABAG POWER Executive Committee is on June 16, 2023.