



# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes 3 - Draft

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## ABAG POWER Executive Committee

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Wednesday, August 19, 2020

3:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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### ABAG Publicly Owned Energy Resources Executive Committee Meeting No. 2020-04

Agenda and roster available at <https://abag.ca.gov/our-work/energy-infrastructure/power>.  
For information, contact Clerk of the Committee at (415) 820-7956.

#### Committee Representative Roster

Dave Brees, City of Los Altos (Chair)  
Andre Duurvoort, City of Cupertino  
Diana Oyler, County of Contra Costa  
Chris Schroeder, City of Milpitas  
Angela Walton, City of Richmond (Vice Chair)  
Doug Williams, City of Santa Rosa

#### Staff Roster

Brad Paul  
Arleicka Conley  
Raymond Woo  
Matt Lavrinets  
Jennifer Berg  
Ryan Jacoby  
Cindy Chen (Clerk)

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Dave Brees called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Quorum was present.

**Present:** 4 - Brees, Oyler, Schroeder, and Walton

**Absent:** 2 - Duurvoort, and Williams

### 2. Public Comment

The Clerk indicated no public comment had been received by email. The Chair invited any member of the public in attendance to provide public comment, but none was provided.

### 3. Consent Calendar

[20-1140](#) Approval of Minutes from June 17, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting

**Attachments:** [Agenda Item 3.a. - ABAG POWER EC Summary Minutes of 20200617.pdf](#)

**Motion was made by Schroeder and seconded by Oyler to approve the Consent Calendar, consisting of the Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2020. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Brees, Oyler, Schroeder, and Walton

**Absent:** 2 - Duurvoort, and Williams

#### 4. Energy Program Manager's Report

Jenny Berg presented an update on the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) programs' adaptations to COVID-19. She also stated an intent to increase BayREN staffing primarily to manage regulatory tasks related to energy efficiency and natural gas.

[20-1152](#) The Energy Programs Manager will provide a verbal report on items related to the Local Government Services section and the ABAG/MTC energy programs.

#### 5. Report on Natural Gas Program

Ryan Jacoby presented a review of recent program operations, the current gas purchasing strategy and storage transition, market price indices, and billing/IT-related updates.

[20-1141](#) Staff will review recent gas operations, including gas purchases; the program's long-term hedge position; gas imbalances; regulatory updates; and other miscellaneous program items.

**Attachments:** [Agenda Item 5.a.1. - Summary of Natural Gas Program\\_081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 5.a.2. - Summary of Natural Gas Program\\_081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 5.b. - Historical and Anticipated Gas Purchases by Origin\\_081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 5.c. - Market Price Comparison\\_081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 5.d. - Invoicing & IT Update\\_081920.pdf](#)

#### 6. Natural Gas Program Strategy

Ryan Jacoby presented a staff recommendation to renew short-term natural gas export permits with the Canada Energy Regulator and Alberta Energy Regulator, and a short-term natural gas import permit with the United States Department of Energy. He also encouraged Committee to provide feedback on the upcoming release of a Request for Qualifications seeking firms to provide strategic program design Services for ABAG POWER.

[20-1142](#) Committee to authorize staff to submit requests to renew short-term natural gas export permits with the Canada Energy Regulator and Alberta Energy Regulator, and a short-term natural gas import permit with the United States Department of Energy. Committee to provide feedback on the release on a Request for Qualifications seeking firms to provide strategic program design Services for ABAG POWER.

**Attachments:** [Agenda Item 6.a.1. - Natural Gas International Purchasing Authorizations 081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.a.2 - Alberta Energy Regulator Export Authorization.PDF](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.a.3 - Canada Energy Regulator Export Authorization.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.a.4 - U.S. Department of Energy Import Authorization.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.b. - Summary Approval - Natural Gas International Purchasing Authorizations 081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.c. - Natural Gas Program Strategy 081920.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Item 6.d. - Request for Qualifications Energy-RFQ-23640.pdf](#)

**Motion was made by Schroeder and seconded by Oyler to authorize the submission of applications to renew short-term natural gas import and export permits with the Alberta Energy Regulator, Canada Energy Regulator, and U.S. Department of Energy. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Brees, Oyler, Schroeder, and Walton

**Absent:** 2 - Duurvoort, and Williams

## 7. Preliminary Agenda for Annual Board of Directors Meeting

Jenny Berg presented the preliminary agenda for Annual Board Meeting, and led discussion surrounding potential guest speakers and the ordering of agenda items.

[20-1143](#) Staff will present for Committee discussion potential agenda items for the annual Board of Directors meeting to be held October 29, 2020.

**Attachments:** [Agenda Item 7.a. - Preliminary Agenda for Annual Board Mtg.pdf](#)

## 8. Other Business

Arleicka Conley informed Committee that ABAG/MTC's new audit firm, Crowe LLP, is expected to contact Executive Committee members to conduct audit assessments as a standard component for this year's audit.

## 9. Adjournment / Next Meeting

Dave Brees adjourned the meeting at about 4:00 p.m.

The next meeting is the ABAG POWER Board of Directors meeting scheduled to be held on October 29, 2020 from 11a.m. to 1p.m.