



# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes 3 - Draft

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## ABAG POWER Executive Committee

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

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Thursday, April 18, 2024

11:00 AM

CR-112 Claremont (REMOTE)

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### ABAG Publicly Owned Energy Resources Executive Committee Meeting No. 2024-02

#### Committee Representative Roster:

**Doug Williams, City of Santa Rosa**  
**Brendan Havenar-Doughton, County of Contra Costa**  
**Elaine Marshall, City of Milpitas**  
**ZeeLaura Page, City of Pleasanton**

#### Staff Roster:

**Brad Paul, Jane Elias, Ryan Jacoby, Andrea Visveshwara, Theresa Chiong,**  
**Oscar Quintanilla Lopez, Cindy Chen, Fera Chandra**

### 1. Welcome / Call to Order

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

Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

### 2. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

**Cindy Chen, Clerk of the Board, ABAG/MTC**

Committee Member Marshall and Committee Member Page were present at each teleconference location. Committee Member Havenar-Daughton joined the meeting in-person at 11:12 a.m.

**Present:** 4 - Chair Williams, Committee Member Havenar-Daughton, Committee Member Marshall, and Committee Member Page

### 3. Public Comment

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

#### 4. Consent Calendar

Committee member Havenar-Doughton was absent during this vote.

**Upon the motion by Chair Williams and seconded by Committee Member Page, the Consent Calendar's items were approved. The motion carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 3 - Chair Williams, Committee Member Marshall, and Committee Member Page

**Absent:** 1 - Committee Member Havenar-Daughton

- 4a. [24-0441](#) Approval of Minutes from February 15, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting

**Attachments:** [4.a.- ABAG POWER EC Summary Minutes of 2/15/2024](#)

- 4b. [24-0442](#) Appointment of Aarón Zavala to the Executive Committee

**Attachments:** [4.b.- Appointment of Aarón Zavala to the CY 2024 Executive Committee](#)

#### 5. Information

- 5a. [24-0443](#) Overview of Assembly Bill (AB) 1999, Electricity Fixed Charges, and AB 205, Energy

Chris Schroeder (Member of the Public) and Dave Rosenfeld (Solar Rights Alliance) to provide a presentation regarding AB 205 and AB 1999.

**Attachments:** [5.a.1- Utility Tax Fixed Charge Presentation](#)

[5.a.2- Summary Sheet Overview of AB 1999 and AB 205](#)

[5.a.3- Local Elected Officials Letter to Repeal the Utility Tax](#)

[5.a.4- 2024 ABAG/MTC Joint Advocacy Platform](#)

Ryan Jacoby informed the group of Chris Schroeder and Dave Rosenfeld's absence, and their recent request to reschedule the presentation to June 20, 2024. Ryan noted the subject matter is not within the scope of any current ABAG POWER program, and that future requests for positional support or opposition should be directed to the MTC ABAG Legislation Committee to determine whether the request aligns with the joint advocacy platform and how resources can be allocated to support the position. The Committee then directed staff not to agendize the informational presentation at the June 20, 2024 meeting.

**5b.**     [24-0444](#)     Report on Natural Gas and Renewable Natural Gas Programs

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:**   [5.b.1- Report on Natural Gas and RNG Programs Presentation](#)  
                      [5.b.2- Summary Sheet - Monthly Summary of Operations](#)

Ryan Jacoby provided a presentation on the latest updates on Natural Gas and Renewable Natural Gas Programs.

**5c.**     [24-0445](#)     Preliminary Fiscal Year 2024-25 Operating Budget

Staff will present a preliminary operating budget for fiscal year 2024-25 and request feedback from the Executive Committee before a proposed budget is presented for approval at the June 20, 2024, Executive Committee meeting.

**Attachments:**   [5.c.1- Fiscal Year 2024-25 Preliminary Operating Budget Presentation](#)  
                      [5.c.2- Summary Sheet - FY 24-25 Preliminary Budget](#)  
                      [5.c.3- FY 2024-25 ABAG POWER Preliminary Operating Budget](#)  
                      [5.c.4- Current Working Capital Deposits by Member](#)

Ryan Jacoby and Oscar Quintanilla-Lopez presented the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2024-25 Operating Budget, noting that the budget currently includes a conservative estimate for new members joining ABAG POWER. Ryan reminded the group of upcoming working capital deposit collections, an anticipated true-up resulting in a credit returned to members, and a need to establish levelized charges for members joining the program after July 1, 2024. Oscar provided additional information regarding staff and overhead rates.

**6. Other Business**

Brad Paul informed the group that the ABAG Executive Board was scheduled to meet at 5pm on April 18 to consider adopting a resolution to make certain findings in support of and to approve the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority Board submitting a ballot measure in an amount not to exceed \$20 billion at the November 2024 general election.

**7. Adjournment / Next Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.