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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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BOARD AND STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday 21 February 2023 6:15 PM (meeting called to order 6:30 PM)

Note meeting on Tuesday, not Monday

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1. Technical checkout for online meeting (no substantive discussion or comment) [15 minutes]
[Board members and public are welcome to check to make sure telephone or computer access is working properly. NOTE: no comment or discussion relevant to Board matters is permitted — please reserve substantive comment for periods of public comment and agenda items.]
2. Voluntary opportunity to say the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public comment on non-agenda items.
4. Call to order and roll call.
5. Approval of prior meeting minutes.
6. Board member comment on non-agenda items. *[May include comment on Board members' own activities/brief announcements; brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights or asking questions for clarification; introduction of new issues for consideration by the Board at its next meeting; or requests for research and a report back to the Board.]*
7. Brief demonstration/training on filing Community Impact Statements (by Neighborhood Councils and by individuals).
8. Presentation L.A. Sanitation District on their Wastewater Programs and Solid Waste Programs, such as Hazardous Waste Collection. [15 min]
9. Presentation from South Coast Botanic Garden (Stephanie Yinger) on upcoming events. [10 min]

10. Presentation from San Pedro Property Owners (PBID) on renderings and details for the proposed Archway Monument Sign to be installed in downtown San Pedro in 2023. [5 min]
11. Report from Los Angeles Police Department [5 minutes]
12. Motion in support of Council File 23-0039 regarding a Green Hydrogen Hub.
13. Reallocation of funding for Neighborhood Purpose Grants.
14. Neighborhood Purpose Grant process.
15. Standing Rule to ensure filing of Community Impact Statements.
16. Treasurer's report.

Budget and Finance (Consent Calendar)

17. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports for December 2022.
18. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports for January 2023.
19. Approval of Monthly Expenses, including approval of Treasurer's payment of all recurring Neighborhood Council expenses including (but not limited to) Lloyd Staffing, Bridgegap Temporary Staffing and Services Agency, The Mailroom, and office supplies.
20. Approval of funding requests received from committees.
21. The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the creation of a Teen CERT program at local high schools and designates Linda Brumfield to represent Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council to the Los Angeles Unified School District for the purpose of creating one or more Teen CERT training programs in local high schools such as Port of Los Angeles High School and San Pedro High School.
22. Appointments of committee officers, committee members, and Board representatives.
23. Announcements.
24. Public comment on non-agenda items.
25. Adjournment.

12. Motion in support of Council File 23-0039 regarding a Green Hydrogen Hub.

See supporting materials appended to agenda.

Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council filed on July 14, 2022 the Community Impact Statement applicable to the Los Angeles City Council File 22-0255, Green Hydrogen Hub, requesting the following:

- the hydrogen be developed by 100% renewable means;
- development of a solution to reduce the water resource requirements to no greater than would be required for similar amount of energy output from fossil fuels;
- assurance that gross energy consumption and consumer energy costs are not increased beyond the escalation expected through continuation of California's current energy plan/portfolio; and,
- that the burning or combustion of hydrogen to generate power be restricted to reduce emissions that are otherwise eliminated through the use of hydrogen exclusively through fuel cell application rather than combustion.

Whereas the Los Angeles City Council adopted the Council File 21-0352 on September 30, 2022 directing the Department of Water and Power to develop a Long Term Strategic Plan that achieves 100% carbon free energy by 2035 and the current plan includes the possible transition to hydrogen combustion for power generation in a manner violating the intent of CSPNC CIS 22-0255.

Whereas the Energy and Environment Committee of the Los Angeles City Council adopted on February 9, 2023 the Council File 23-0039 directing the DWP to ensure that the project plan satisfies the following requirements, satisfying the intent of CSPNC CIS 22-0255:

- results in no increase of any criteria pollutant emissions (nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, etc.) relative to a similar natural gas fired combustion turbine;
- solely utilizes hydrogen that is produced using new, dedicated renewable energy resources or excess renewable energy resources;
- prevents the use of local potable water supplies and not impair LADWP's goal of eliminating all water imports; and,
- assessment of non-combustion alternatives to the project, including the use of green-hydrogen powered fuel cells, high levels of energy storage, large-scale multi-day demand response programs, new and upgraded transmission lines to import higher levels of renewable energy, and others that considers the public health benefits, safety risks, and costs and benefits, and REPORT to the Council on the results of this analysis within six months.

Therefore the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the Council File 23-0039 and requests timely adoption by the City Council applicable to the Council Files 21-0352 and 22-0255.

CIS to be filed on Council File 23-0039.

13. Reallocation of funding for Neighborhood Purpose Grants.

Administrative Operations Committee

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall reallocate funding to move \$8,000 from Office/Operational and \$3,000 from Outreach and put \$11,000 in Neighborhood Purpose Grants.

14. Neighborhood Purpose Grant process.

Administrative Operations Committee

The Neighborhood Purpose Grant deadline for applications shall be midnight March 15th 2023, sent to info@cspnclive.org. Complete applications (based on the criteria listed on the City Clerk's website) shall be evaluated at a Special Meeting of the Board. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

15. Standing Rule to ensure filing of Community Impact Statements.

Administrative Operations Committee

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall add a Standing Rule:

The Board shall designate an individual Community Impact Statement filer at the time a motion is adopted.

For more information, please call 310-918-8650; write to CSPNC, 1840 S. Gaffey Street #34, San Pedro, CA 90731; or visit the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council website at www.cspnc.org.

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Your Community Impact Statement has been successfully submitted to City Council and Committees.

If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at NCsupport@lacity.org.

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Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(12) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(1) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 06/20/2022

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 07/14/2022

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 22-0255

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the Council File 22-0255 with the resolution of the following issues prior to proceeding with implementation of the Green Hydrogen Hub: That the hydrogen be developed by 100% renewable means as wind, solar, hydro; Development of a solution to reduce the water resource requirements to no greater than would be required for similar amount of energy output from fossil fuels; Assurance that gross energy consumption and consumer energy costs are not increased beyond the escalation expected through continuation of California's current energy plan/portfolio; and, That the burning or combustion of hydrogen to generate power, as planned in the Intermountain Powerplant, be restricted to reduce emissions that are otherwise eliminated through the use of hydrogen exclusively through fuel cell application rather than combustion.



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July 11, 2022

The following resolution was passed by the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council at the June 20, 2022 Regular Monthly Board Meeting:

Motion supporting City of Los Angeles Green Hydrogen Hub Council File 22-0255.

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Whereas the Los Angeles City Council unanimously passed on 05/17/22 the Council File 22-0255 directing the Department of Water and Power and the Port of Los Angeles, in collaboration with other partners, coordinate a local effort to create and submit a proposal to the Department of Energy proposing the Greater Los Angeles Metropolitan area for consideration to be a regional Green Hydrogen Hub to power hard-to-electrify industries, made from electrolysis of renewable energy.

Whereas the organizations *Regenerate Earth and Food* and *Water Watch* submitted letters of concern on 03/01/22 and 05/16/22 respectively stating specific environmental impacts associated with hydrogen generation and use including water resource requirements and the emissions that result from the combustion of hydrogen.

Whereas the Council File 22-0255 was amended 05/17/22 to instruct the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Port of Los Angeles, along with any other relevant departments, that the Green Hydrogen Hub proposal prepared in connection with this item will: (a) be required to show that any included projects will improve air quality across all time period metrics (e.g., 1 hour, 8 hour, etc.) as compared to current fossil fuel use; and (b) include measures to prevent the leakage of hydrogen from storage or distribution infrastructure.

Therefore the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the Council File 22-0255 with the resolution of the following issues prior to proceeding with implementation of the Green Hydrogen Hub:

- That the hydrogen be developed by 100% renewable means as wind, solar, hydro;
- Development of a solution to reduce the water resource requirements to no greater than would be required for similar amount of energy output from fossil fuels;
- Assurance that gross energy consumption and consumer energy costs are not increased beyond the escalation expected through continuation of California's current energy plan/portfolio; and,
- That the burning or combustion of hydrogen to generate power, as planned in the Intermountain Powerplant, be restricted to reduce emissions that are otherwise eliminated through the use of hydrogen exclusively through fuel cell application rather than combustion.

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Further resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council will post a Community Impact Statement of Support to the Council File 22-0002-S82 requesting the resolution of the above four issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas Epperhart". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Doug Epperhart, President
On behalf of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board
cc: Mayor's Office; Council District 15 Office

MOTION

In 2016, the Los Angeles City Council unanimously approved a motion (CF 16-0243, Krekorian and Bonin) recognizing that “the city has an opportunity to re-create its utility in a way that recognizes the potential for a fossil-free future, demonstrates global leadership in its commitment to clean energy, and protects ratepayers from the increasing costs of carbon-based fuels.” The motion instructed the Department of Water and Power (DWP) to develop a partnership with the US Department of Energy and other entities to determine what investments must be made to achieve a 100% fossil-free energy portfolio for the DWP. This project is known as LA100.

As a result of the Council’s action on the Krekorian/Bonin LA100 motion, the DWP entered into an innovative, first-in-the-nation partnership with the US Department of Energy’s National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) to study the technical feasibility of achieving a 100% clean energy grid. The NREL study team, made up of nearly 100 technical experts, working with some of the most powerful supercomputers in the nation, led a thorough process on behalf of, and in close partnership with, the DWP. The study provides objective, technically rigorous, science-based recommendations on different 100% carbon-free energy scenarios, and considers their technical feasibility, cost, reliability, resiliency, health improvements, job benefits, and environmental justice implications.

The study was enhanced by the participation of more than 100 members of the stakeholder advisory panel, representing nearly 50 organizations that included environmental justice groups, industry representatives, local technical experts, and government agencies.

All scenarios in the LA100 analysis share dramatic local benefits, including:

- Significant improvements to local air quality and reduced hospitalization and death from respiratory ailments associated with ozone and particulate matter;
- Thousands of local, good-paying jobs created, such as maintenance of clean energy systems and construction of new transmission and distribution lines;
- The opportunity to reverse decades of environmental injustice by replacing dirty gas-fired plants in working class neighborhoods with clean energy; and
- A reliable and resilient grid, capable of adapting to a changing climate and shocks caused by natural disasters.

LA100’s “stress” scenarios, which assume high amounts of building and transportation electrification but modest energy efficiency and demand response programs, demonstrate the imperative of creating much more robust and creative programs to address future demand. Energy efficiency programs, which make LA100 goals more feasible, must prioritize low-income customers and ensure that all communities share in the benefits of the clean energy economy.

In the coming months, LADWP will prepare a Strategic Long Term Resource Plan (SLTRP), which is the first opportunity to create a schedule and begin planning and approving investments needed to reach the 100% clean energy goal. As the Department prepares its

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proposals for Council approval, the SLTRP should feature "no regrets" investment strategies, including:

- Substantial investments in new transmission capacity
- Substantial investments in new storage capacity
- A ramp up of distributed energy generation programs, particularly rooftop solar
- Expanded energy efficiency programs
- Rate structures that promote electrification of buildings, transportation, and facilitate demand response

In 2018, SB100 committed all power utilities in California to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2045, which represents the DWP's current legally mandated requirement. In 2019, this City Council adopted the LA Green New Deal, which further sets Los Angeles on a path to achieve net zero carbon by 2050, including strategies to electrify our building and transportation sectors.

In his January 27, 2021 Executive Order on Tackling the Climate Crisis, President Joe Biden committed the federal government to decarbonizing the nation's electric power sector by 2035. Given this national target, the hope for federal funding to support these goals, and the technical knowledge acquired from LA100, Los Angeles is in a position to lead.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Department of Water and Power to prepare a Strategic Long Term Resource Plan that achieves 100% carbon-free energy by 2035, in a way that is equitable and has minimal adverse impact on ratepayers.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Strategic Long Term Resource Plan prioritize equity for environmental justice communities, defined as those scoring at or above the 80th percentile on CalEnviroScreen. The plan should ensure that emissions are not increased for any period of time at facilities in environmental justice communities, particularly Valley Generating Station.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the Department of Water and Power, to report on the "no-regrets" projects that are common to all LA100 paths and present an accelerated pathway to launch and complete those projects. This report should include a list of "shovel-ready" projects that DWP can be ready to act on in order to seize on Federal and State funding opportunities.



Presented by:

PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District



MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

Seconded by:



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ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an overview of the Scattergood Generating Station Green Hydrogen project; potential alternatives to the project; public health and safety impacts; public engagement process for the project; role of green hydrogen at large in the City's transition to 100% renewable energy; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Yaroslavsky – Park – Raman):

1. DIRECT the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to report to the City Council with details of the project on a semi-annual or more frequent basis as requested, including immediately prior to:
 - a. Releasing a Request for Proposal or other similar solicitation for the design and construction of the Scattergood Units 1 and 2 Green Hydrogen Ready Modernization Project.
 - b. Any contracts to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners for this project. Such reports shall include at a minimum how the project will operate consistent with the Council direction in Council File (CF) No. 21-0352, CF No. 22-0255, and the following:
 - i. Result in no increase of any criteria pollutant emissions (nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, etc.) over any time period (i.e., 1-hour, 8-hour etc.) relative to the emission limits established by Best Available Control Technology for a similar natural gas fired combustion turbine with the goal of minimizing or eliminating these emissions to the maximum extent feasible.
 - ii. Not create new significant public health and safety risks resulting from catastrophic failures of systems to produce, store, transport, and use green hydrogen in this project.
 - iii. Incorporate hydrogen leak prevention, mitigation, and monitoring throughout the production, transportation, storage, and combustion system and estimate the hydrogen leakage rates of the project from the point of fuel production through delivery and combustion and the local air pollution and greenhouse gas impacts of that leakage.
 - iv. Solely utilize hydrogen that is produced using new, dedicated renewable energy resources or excess renewable energy resources.
 - v. Not rely on local potable water supplies and not impair LADWP's goal of eliminating all water imports.

2. DIRECT LADWP to conduct a new or updated assessment of non-combustion alternatives to the project, including the use of green-hydrogen powered fuel cells, high levels of energy storage, large-scale multi-day demand response programs, new and upgraded transmission lines to import higher levels of renewable energy, and others that considers the public health benefits, safety risks, and costs and benefits, and REPORT to the Council on the results of this analysis within six months.

3. DIRECT LADWP to directly engage, using equitable engagement principles, communities, Neighborhood Councils, and Community-Based Organizations along any hydrogen pipeline or transportation routes and adjacent to in-basin gas-fired power plants on the impacts of hydrogen production, storage, transport, and combustion, including but not limited to air quality, climate change, and public health and safety.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On February 3, 2023, your Committee considered Motion (Yaroslavsky – Park – Raman) relative to an overview of the Scattergood Generating Station Green Hydrogen project; potential alternatives to the project; public health and safety impacts; public engagement process for the project; role of green hydrogen at large in the City’s transition to 100% renewable energy; and related matters. The Motion attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations reflected above, as amended. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
MCOSKER:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	ABSENT
HERNANDEZ:	ABSENT