

BOARD MEETING DATE: January 7, 2022

AGENDA NO. 17

REPORT: Technology Committee

SYNOPSIS: The Technology Committee held a hybrid meeting on Friday, December 17, 2021. The following is a summary of the meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Receive and file.

Joe Buscaino, Chair
Technology Committee

MMM:psc

Committee Members

Present: Supervisor Lisa Bartlett
Council Member Joe Buscaino/Chair
Board Member Gideon Kracov
Mayor Larry McCallon
Vice Mayor Rex Richardson

Absent: Mayor Carlos Rodriguez

Call to Order

Chair Buscaino called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Implement Carl Moyer, SOON, State Reserve, FARMER and Community Air Protection Programs by Recognizing Funds from CARB, Executing and Amending Contracts, and Reimbursing Administrative Costs

In June 2021, Program Announcements for the Carl Moyer and Surplus Off-Road Op-In for NOx (SOON) Programs closed. This year, funding from the State Reserve and Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) Programs will also be available to fund eligible projects submitted through these solicitations. These actions are to: 1) adopt Resolutions to recognize FY2020-21 and FY2021-22 funds from CARB for Carl Moyer and FARMER

Programs; 2) execute contracts for Carl Moyer, SOON, State Reserve, Community Air Protection and FARMER Programs; 3) authorize the Executive Officer to redistribute the source of funds for the various incentive program grants to ensure program liquidation targets are met; and 4) reimburse administrative costs for the FY2021-22 FARMER Program.

Council Member Buscaino recused himself from parts of Agenda Item No. 1 which involves Clean Energy and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company due to campaign contributions within the past 12 months. He also disclosed for the record that he is on the Board of the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, which is involved in the item.

Supervisor Bartlett recused herself from parts of Agenda Item No. 1 which involves Catalina Channel Express, Inc. and USA Waste of California, Inc. (which is affiliated with Waste Management Collection & Recycling and Waste Management and Affiliated Entities, Inc.) due to campaign contributions within the past 12 months.

Board Member Kracov recused himself from parts of Agenda Item No. 1 which involves California Waste Services LLC, TruStarEnergy LLC and Clean Energy due to a financial interest in California Waste and Recycling Association which he formally represented in his capacity as General Counsel. The nature of these disclosures requires that he exit the room or turn the camera off. He also disclosed for the record that he is a Board Member of the CARB, which is involved in the item.

Mayor McCallon commented that he does not have a financial interest or conflict of interest but is required to identify for the record that he is the Second Vice Chair on the Board of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink), which is involved in this item.

Vice Mayor Richardson commented that he does not have a financial interest or conflict of interest but is required to identify for the record that he is the Vice Mayor for the City of Long Beach, which is involved in this item.

Board Member Kracov inquired about funding status for on-road trucks. Staff replied that due to limitations of the Carl Moyer Program, specifically with cost-effectiveness and engine model year restrictions, about \$2 million was allocated for on-road projects, with about 15 Class 8 heavy-duty trucks awarded (or 2 percent of the total recommended funding). Board Member Kracov recognized the limitations with the Carl Moyer Program relating to on-road trucks and encouraged staff to

continue working with CARB to resolve regulatory and limitation issues for on-road vehicle funding.

Ranji George, a public member, expressed concerns and urged focus on prioritizing fuel cell and sustainable battery technologies.

Michelle Steward, Metrolink, expressed appreciation for staff's efforts with the Carl Moyer Program and support for Metrolink projects.

Mayor McCallon expressed appreciation for staff's efforts with Metrolink.

Due to the nature of disclosures and in order to maintain a quorum the item was split into five separate votes.

Vote #1 for California Waste Services and TruStarEnergy LLC

Moved by McCallon; seconded by Bartlett; unanimously approved.

Ayes: Bartlett, Buscaino, McCallon, Richardson

Noes: None

Abstain: Kracov (camera off)

Absent: Rodriguez

Vote #2 for Clean Energy

Moved by McCallon; seconded by Bartlett; unanimously approved.

Ayes: Bartlett, McCallon, Richardson

Noes: None

Abstain: Buscaino, Kracov

Absent: Rodriguez

Vote #3 for USA Waste and Recycling and Catalina Channel Express

Moved by Buscaino; seconded by McCallon; unanimously approved.

Ayes: Buscaino, Kracov, McCallon, Richardson

Noes: None

Abstain: Bartlett

Absent: Rodriguez

Vote #4 for BNSF

Moved by McCallon; seconded by Bartlett; unanimously approved.

Ayes: Bartlett, Kracov, McCallon, Richardson

Noes: None

Abstain: Buscaino

Absent: Rodriguez

Vote #5 for remaining awards excluding Cody Martin due to required disclosure information not being submitted.

Moved by Bartlett; seconded by McCallon; unanimously approved.

Ayes: Bartlett, Buscaino, Kracov, McCallon, Richardson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Rodriguez

OTHER MATTERS:

2. Other Business

There was no other business to report.

3. Public Comment Period

Rita Loof, RadTech, Inc, provided information regarding Ultraviolet Electron Beam and LED industry technologies and hopes to partner on funding future programs to help communities achieve emissions reductions by using these technologies. She asked that Rule 219 be modernized to incentivize these technologies also.

Mr. George recommended that staff negotiate prices for battery electric school buses and that there be requirements for environmentally sound battery recycling.

4. Next Meeting Date

The next regular Technology Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 22, 2022, at noon.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Attachment

Attendance Record

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SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING Attendance Record – December 17, 2021

Supervisor Lisa Bartlett.....	South Coast AQMD Board Member
Council Member Joe Buscaino	South Coast AQMD Board Member
Board Member Gideon Kracov	South Coast AQMD Board Member
Mayor Larry McCallon	South Coast AQMD Board Member
Vice Mayor Rex Richardson	South Coast AQMD Board Member
James Dinwiddie	Board Consultant (Bartlett)
Jacob Haik	Board Consultant (Buscaino)
Ross Zelen	Board Consultant (Kracov)
Mark Abramowitz	Public Member
Alex Davis	Public Member
Sindy Enriquez	Public Member
Rita Loof.....	Rad Tech Intl.
Fred Minassian	Public Member
Michelle Stewart.....	Metrolink
Debra Ashby	South Coast AQMD Staff
Phil Barroca.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Penny Shaw Cedillo	South Coast AQMD Staff
Philip Crabbe	South Coast AQMD Staff
Marjorie Eaton.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Daniel Garcia.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Sheri Hanizavareh	South Coast AQMD Staff
Aaron Katzenstein	South Coast AQMD Staff
Joseph Impullitti	South Coast AQMD Staff
Jason Low.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Ron Moskowitz	South Coast AQMD Staff
Matt Miyasato.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Wayne Nastri.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Robert Paud	South Coast AQMD Staff
Walter Shen	South Coast AQMD Staff
Veera Tyagi	South Coast AQMD Staff
Alex Vega.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Victor Yip.....	South Coast AQMD Staff
Nick Volpone	South Coast AQMD Staff
Jill Whynot	South Coast AQMD Staff