

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on **February 20, 2025,** at Southern California Public Power Authority, 1160 Nicole Court, Glendora, CA 91740.

The meeting was called to order at **10:00 AM** by the Board President, Tikan Singh. Daniel Garcia, Executive Director, went through the emergency safety protocols for the in-person meeting participants. Mr. Singh went through the web conference protocol. Ms. Salpi Ortiz took attendance.

The following Board Members (B) or Alternates (A) were present:

Anaheim: Dukku Lee (B)
Azusa: Tikan Singh (B)
Banning: Jim Steffens (B)
Burbank: Mandip Samra (B)

Cerritos: Sergio Huizar (A)
Colton: Charles Berry (B)

Glendale: Manny Robledo (B)

IID: LADWP:

Pasadena: Kelly Nguyen (A) Riverside: Tracy Sato (A)

Vernon: Todd Dusenberry (B)

1. NOTICE/AGENDA AND OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD Mr. Singh noted that the meeting was noticed and posted as required under the Brown Act. Mr. Singh invited comments from the public. There were no public comments.

2. BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

President

Mr. Singh opened the nominations for SCPPA President. Mr. Dukku Lee nominated Mr. Todd Dusenberry for Board President, with Mr. Dusenberry's term to take effect on February 20th, 2025. With no other nominations, Mr. Singh closed the nominations and declared Mr. Dusenberry to be the new Board President.

First Vice President

Mr. Singh opened the nominations for SCPPA First Vice President. Mr. Dusenberry nominated Mr. Singh for Board First Vice President, with Mr. Singh's term to take effect on February 20th, 2025. With no other nominations, Mr. Singh closed the nominations and announced that he would be the new First Vice President of the Board.

Second Vice President

Mr. Singh opened the nominations for SCPPA Second Vice President. Mr. Dusenberry nominated Mr. Lee for Board Second Vice President, with Mr. Lee's term to take effect on February 20th, 2025. With no other nominations, Mr. Singh closed the nominations and declared Mr. Lee to be SCPPA's Second Vice President of the Board.

Assistant Secretaries and Treasurer/Auditor

Mr. Singh noted that there is no need to elect a Secretary of the Board, because the SCPPA Bylaws provided that the General Manager of LADWP is deemed appointed to that office each year, requested nominations for the Assistant Secretaries and Treasurer/ Auditor of the Board. Manny Robledo, Glendale Water & Power, moved to appoint Mr. Danny Garcia to serve as Treasurer/ Auditor and for Mr. Garcia and Mr. Peter Huynh to serve Assistant Secretaries of the Authority, with such term to take effect on February 20, 2025.

Moved by: Manny Robledo, Glendale Water & Power

Seconded: Tikan Singh, Azusa Light & Water

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID				X
LADWP				X
Pasadena	X			
Riverside	X			
Vernon	X			

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

A. Working Group Update

Mr. Garcia provided an update on the upcoming APPA Legislative Rally, which he and members of SCPPA's senior management team will be attending the following week. He noted that he will return on Thursday, February 27, 2025.

Mr. Garcia reported that SCPPA has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for renewable and renewable plus storage projects for Q1 and Q2 of 2025. He thanked the Board and staff for submitting comments on the RFP. He reminded the Board that the deadline for responses is June 30, 2025, and directed them to the SCPPA website for any questions.

Mr. Garcia announced SCPPA's Open House on March 19, 2025, and SCPPA Annual Conference scheduled for Tuesday, October 28, 2025, which will mark SCPPA's 45th anniversary. Board members noted conflicts with city council meetings on Tuesday, October 28, 2025. Mr. Garcia and the SCPPA team stated that they will look into selecting a new date to accommodate Board members.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Special Meeting Minutes: January 30, 2025

B. Receive and File:

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes: January 6, 2025
- 2. Monthly Investment Report: December 2024
- 3. Quarterly Investment Report: December 2024
- 4. SCPPA A&G Budget Comparison Report: December 2024
- 5. Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Status Report: December 2024
- 6. Magnolia Power Project Operations Report: January 2025
- 7. Federal Legislative Report: January 2025

Moved by: Dukku Lee, *Anaheim Public Utilities* Seconded: Charles Berry, Colton Electric Utility

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID				X
LADWP				X
Pasadena	X			

Riverside	X		
Vernon	X		

5. CHIEF FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

A. Resolution 2025-007

Canyon Power Project Bond Refunding – Initial Authorizing Resolution

Ms. Aileen Ma presented Resolution 2025-007 for consideration and approval.

Moved by: Dukku Lee, Anaheim Public Utilities

Seconded: Manny Robledo, Glendale Water & Power

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale	X			
IID				X
LADWP				X
Pasadena	X			
Riverside	X			
Vernon	X			

Item 6 was deferred until after item 7A to allow the speaker to arrive.

7. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS REPORT

A. Resolution 2025-008

Adoption of Annual Update to SCPPA's Guiding Policy Principles for Legislative and Regulatory Activities continue annual fee adjustments for the extended term, and increase the not-to-exceed amount

Mr. De Bernardo presented Resolution 2025-008 to the Board for consideration and approval.

Moved by: Manny Robledo, *Glendale Water & Power* **Seconded**: Jim Steffens, *Banning Electric Utility*

Ms. Ortiz took a Roll Call vote:

	Yes	No	Present, Not Voting	Absent
Anaheim	X			
Azusa	X			
Banning	X			
Burbank	X			
Cerritos	X			
Colton	X			
Glendale				
IID				X
LADWP				X
Pasadena	X			
Riverside	X			
Vernon	X			

6. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Mr. Randy Krager introduced Mr. Jan Smutny-Jones from the Independent Energy Producers Association, who presented on the impact of federal policy and current market conditions on the development and operation of energy projects. The Board asked questions following the presentation.

7. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS REPORT

B. State Legislative Update, Including Advanced Clean Fleets

Mr. De Bernardo provided a state legislative update, including information on advanced clean fleets and the House Budget Resolution, which establishes a budget blueprint as the first step in the budget reconciliation process and proposes \$2 trillion in spending cuts. Mr. De Bernardo shared a list of the members that will be attending the APPA legislative rally and gave an overview of the issues that SCPPA will be focusing on.

C. State Regulatory Update, Including Capitol Day Recap and 2025 Bill Introduction Update

Mr. De Bernardo presented a State Regulatory Update, including a Capitol Day Recap and 2025 Bill Introduction Update.

D. Federal Issues Update, Including update on APPA Federal Rally/SCPPA Fly-in (February 24-26)

Mr. De Bernardo provided a federal issues update, including details on the APPA Federal Rally/SCPPA Fly-In scheduled for February 24-26. Mr. Chris Kearney, SCPPA consultant, added additional updates on federal issues, including on the National Energy Dominance Council's February 14th Executive Order and addressed questions from the Board.

Ms. Sabrina Barber, IID, requested a copy of a referenced Net Energy Metering report on legacy costs; Mr. De Bernardo will provide it.

Mr. Lee requested that SCPPA prepare a letter to EDF expressing SCPPA's concerns with the termination of the Power Purchase Agreement between EDF and SCPPA for the Sapphire Solar and Storage project. Mr. Lee stated that he would like to explore options going forward to ensure that developers have skin in the game and cannot walk without penalty if they determine a project is uneconomic. Mr. Dusenberry agreed with Mr. Lee's concerns and the need for alternatives. He remarked on the lost opportunity and time spent negotiating the Sapphire transaction with EDF.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Opportunity for Board Members to bring up informational items or request that an item be added to a future Board Agenda.

Mr. Dusenberry stated that Vernon aims to complete a prepay transaction by July 1, 2025, which would require SCPPA to hold a meeting in June. The Board discussed potential options for scheduling a regular meeting that month.

9. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel Potential Litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9 (One potential case)
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation: *James Eric Taylor v. Imperial Irrigation District, et al.*, Imperial County Superior Court Case No. ECU003914
- C. Public Employment Attorneys

The Board entered closed session at 12:02 p.m.

10. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 12:15. Ms. Godinez reported out on item 9C that the Board approved an amendment to an existing Legal Services Agreement with Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff LLP who serve as special tax counsel for SCPPA for a proposed energy prepayment transaction.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

11.ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dusenberry adjourned the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel E Garcia
Executive Director