

**TO**: Environmental Commission

FROM: Sarah Henricks, Interim Staff Liaison

**SUBJECT**: Receive report and updates on Silicon Valley Clean Energy Authority (SVCEA)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive reports and updates on SVCEA Board of Directors and standing committee meetings

## BACKGROUND

State and Local Mandates Community Choice Energy Council Actions Implementation of SVCEA in the Los Altos Community SVCEA Structure SVCEA Sustainability Managers Roundtable updates (September 2017 to April 2018) For a full review of the topics above, please access the following link https://www.losaltosca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/environmental\_commission/meetin g/43111/5.\_svcea\_2018.pdf

To review SVCEA Member Agency Working Group updates (May 2018 to December 2018), please access the following link: <u>https://www.losaltosca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/environmental\_commission/meeting/43119/item\_3\_svcea.pdf</u>

## DISCUSSION

The MAWG did not meet in December 2018. City staff will attend the SVCE County-wide Reach Code Working Group Launch on January 15, 2019 to learn more about the Reach Code project described above. Members of the City Manager's Office and Community Development Department will be in attendance.

At the January 24, 2019 MAWG meeting, the group discussed the potential for SVCEA to form a joint funding mechanism with BAAQMD and other agencies to fund EV infrastructure. SVCEA staff is currently developing an RFP and scope of work to secure a consultant to explore the EVSE market and identify barriers, forecast infrastructure needs, and establish a mechanism to pursue grant funding. SVCEA also updated the group on youth focused programs like the Bike to the Future event, taking in place in April 2019 and the creation of a student ambassador program, focused on educating students and schools about ways to reduce GHG emissions. SVCEA informed the group that the

Reach Code project is currently underway, and the consultant is working on the cost effectiveness study. The initial draft of the reach codes is scheduled to be released in March.

At the February 28, 2019 MAWG meeting, the group discussed the release of the new PG&E rates for 2019, which will be available this month. The group received an update from Aimee Bailey, Director of Decarbonization and Grid Innovation, on the programs in development that align with the decarbonization roadmap. SVCEA also informed the group that they are anticipating the cost effectiveness study on the Reach Codes project later this month. SVCEA is hosting a workshop on the Reach Code project on March 20, 2019, which will be delivered to appropriate City Staff, the Building / Developer Community and interested stakeholders. SVCEA will also be creating a showcase design grant focused on all-electric projects within the service territory, for which the new, all-electric Los Altos Community Center may be eligible.

Staff will provide an update on the monthly MAWG meetings; Chair Weiden will provide an update on the CPAG meetings. Monthly SVCEA Board of Directors' meeting agenda and selected materials will be reviewed and discussed.

## Attachments:

A. March 13, 2019 SVCE BOD meeting agenda packet – selected materials (provided under separate cover)