

### Welcome and Call to Order

### Roll Call



### Land Acknowledgement

### Special Presentations and Introductions

#### Welcome to the Board



**Director Jack Fisher** 

City of Imperial Beach Councilmember

#### **Welcome Staff**



Angad Kapoor

Administrative Procurement

Analyst



# Items to be Withdrawn or Reordered on the Agenda

### Public Comment on non-Agenda Items

### Consent Calendar

- Approve August 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes
- 2. Receive and File Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025
- 3. Receive and File Update on Programs
- 4. Receive and File Update on Power Services
- 5. Receive and File Update on Customer Operations
- 6. Receive and File Update on IT and Data Analytics
- 7. Receive and File Update on Human Resources
- 8. Receive and File Community Advisory Committee Monthly Update
- 9. Receive and File Update on Marketing, Public Relations, and Local Government
- 10. Receive and File Update on Regulatory and Legislative Affairs
- 11. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-14, Approving 2026 Board Meeting Schedule for San Diego Community Power (Community Power)
- 12. Approve Professional Services Agreement with Nash Consulting, Inc. in a Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$185,000 from October 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027, to support Community Power in its Leadership Sustainability Initiative
- 13. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-15, Approving Revisions to the existing Net Energy Metering (NEM) tariff and Revisions to the existing Net Billing Tariff (NBT), and new Net Billing Tariff-Virtual (NBT-V) and new Net Billing Tariff-Aggregation (NBT-A)

### **Public Comment on Consent Calendar**

### Regular Agenda

- 14. Community Advisory Committee Quarterly Update
- 15. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, Approving Revisions to the Non-Energy Procurement Policy
- 16. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17, Approving Revisions to the Delegated Contract Authority Policy and Rescinding Resolution No. 2022-10
- 17. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-18, Authorizing the Investment of Monies in Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)
- 18. Solar Advantage (Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff)
  Program
  - a. Approve Solar Advantage Program's Power Purchase Agreement Portfolio with 1st Oak 2, LLC
  - b. Evaluate the Workforce Criteria for the Disadvantaged Green Tariff Program
- 19. Solar Battery Savings Residential Program Relaunch



Community Advisory
Committee Quarterly Update



#### **Recommendation:**

Receive and File Community Advisory Committee Quarterly Update.

#### Quarterly Report on Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

#### May through August 2025

#### Topics Discussed:

- Vehicle-Grid Integration Strategy
- Solar Advantage Program
- Tariffs, Tax Credits and Executive Orders: New-Build Market Outlook
- Draft FY 2025-26 Operating and Capital Budgets
- FY 2026-30 Capital Improvement Plan
- Regulatory and Legislative Affairs Quarterly Update
- San Diego Regional Academy
- Clean Prepayment Transaction No.2

FY 2025-26 CAC Officers

#### Chair David Harris

City of La Mesa

#### Vice-Chair Luis Montero-Adams

City of San Diego

#### Secretary Ross Pike

County of San Diego (Unincorporated)



# Public Comment on Item No. 14

Board Members
Comments or
Questions

Community Advisory
Committee Quarterly
Update

#### **Recommendation:**

Receive and file Community Advisory Quarterly Update.



Adopt of Resolution No. 2025-16, Approving Revisions to the Non-Energy Procurement Policy

#### Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, approving Revisions to the Non-Energy Procurement Policy.



Presenters:
Christopher Stephens, Procurement Manager
Krystal Carranza, Procurement Analyst

#### **Current Non-Energy Public Contracting Policies**

## What is the current Non-Energy Public Contracting Policy?

**Purpose:** Establishes competitive solicitation and procurement standards for non-energy goods and services.

#### **Methods:** Includes use of:

- No Bids (Contracts under \$10K)
- Informal Quotes
- Formal Solicitations (RFPs/RFQs)

Includes exceptions for emergencies, sole source procurements, and interagency agreements

## What is the current CEO's Delegated Expenditure Authority?

#### **Board-Approved Delegation:**

- CEO has authority to approve contracts up to \$125,000.
- CEO has authority to increase existing non-energy contracts by up to 10% of their original Not-to-Exceed amount.
- Delegate authority up to \$50,000 to senior staff.

#### **Additional Powers:**

 CEO has authority to approve scope changes up to 25% of the original scope.

## Why Do These Policies Need to Be Updated?

#### Last updated in July 2022

- Thresholds have not kept pace with:
- SDCP's growth and increased contract volume
- Inflation and rising market costs
- The need for greater agility and efficiency

#### Impacts:

- Increased administrative burden
- Slower procurement cycles
- Barriers for small and local businesses



#### **Proposed Policy Updates**

Procurement of Non-Energy Goods & Services		
Competitive Solicitation Type	Current Policy	Proposed Update
No competitive solicitation required	Contracts less than \$10,000 Renting or Leasing Equipment Approved Sole Source Request Emergency Contracts	Contracts less than \$10,000 Renting or Leasing Equipment Approved Sole Source Request Emergency Contracts Legal Services Agreements
Request for Verbal Quotes or Bids	Contracts between \$10,000 and \$49,999	Consolidated into Written quote category
Request for Written Quotes or Bids	Contracts between \$50,000 and \$125,000	Contracts between \$10,000 and \$150,000
RFP or RFQ	Contracts Exceeding \$125,000	Contracts Exceeding \$150,000
Cooperative Procurement	N/A	A lead agency runs the procurement on behalf of multiple agencies.
Piggybacking Procurement	N/A	Rely on another agency's competitively run procurement. No change to negotiated terms.
Sole Source	Authorized	Authorized - additional clarity provided

#### **Key Highlights**

- New structure separates competitive, noncompetitive, and sole-source procurement sections for easier reference.
- RFP or RFQ now required for contracts over \$150,000 (previously the threshold was over \$125,000).
- Written quotes now required for contracts over \$10,000 (previously allowed verbal quotes up to \$49,999.99).
- Clarified rules against split purchases to avoid threshold circumvention.
- Added Protest Procedure for vendor challenges.
- Clearer criteria and documentation standards for sole-source awards.



# Public Comment on Item No. 15

# Board Members Comments or Questions

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, Approving Revisions to the non-Energy Procurement Policy

#### Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-16, Approving Revisions to the non-Energy Procurement Policy.



Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17, Approving Revisions to the Delegated Contract Authority Policy and Rescinding Resolution No. 2022-10

#### **Recommendation:**



Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17, Approving Revisions to the Delegated Contract Authority Policy and Rescinding Resolution No. 2022-10.

Presenters: Christopher Stephens, Procurement Manager Krystal Carranza, Procurement Analyst

#### **Recommended Revisions**

Non-dollar value
 agreements –
 delegated to CEO
 or designee

Allow staff to apply for grant funding

3. CEO signature authority delegation to executive team



- 4. Delegated contract authority to CEO increased to \$150,000
- 5. Rename policy to Delegated Contract and Signature Authority Policy
- Clarifying and Administrative edits



# Public Comment on Item No. 16

# Board Members Comments or Questions

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17,
Approving Revisions to the
Delegated Contract Authority Policy
and Rescinding Resolution No.
2022-10

#### Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17, Approving Revisions to the Delegated Contract Authority Policy and Rescinding Resolution No.

2022-10

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-18, Authorizing the Investment of Monies in Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)

#### **Recommendation:**

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-18 Authorizing investment of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).



Presenters:

Dr. Eric Washington, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer

#### Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)



#### **LAIF Background**

- Established in 1977 under Section 16429.1 et seq. of the California Government Code,
- Created by State of CA to offer local agencies safe and convenient way to invest reserves.
- ➤ LAIF is permissible under Community Power's Investment Policy.



#### Risk Management

- Oversight is provided by the Pooled Money Investment Board (PMIB).
- ➤ PMIB includes the State Treasurer, Director of Finance, and State Controller.



#### **Benefits**

- Allows Community Power to invest monies in a secure and liquid investment vehicle.
- Funds deposited in LAIF are pooled with funds from other local agencies and managed by the State Treasurer's investment staff.



#### **Metrics**

- ➤ Through July 2025, LAIF serves over 2,300 participants with assets totaling \$22.3 billion.
- San Diego County participates in LAIF. San Diego County Water Authority often include LAIF as part of their investment strategy

#### **LAIF Parameters**

**Maximum Amount Monthly Transactions** 15 Maximum \$75,000,000 LAIF accounts No more than 15 are subject to a transactions are \$75 million cap allowed per month

# Public Comment on Item No. 17

# Committee Members Comments or Questions

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17 Authorizing investment of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)

#### Recommendation:



Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17 Authorizing investment of monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

#### Item No. 18 a

Approve Solar Advantage Program's Power Purchase Agreement Portfolio with 1st Oak 2, LLC



#### **Recommendation:**

Approve three (3) Power Purchase Agreements, in substantially final form, with 1st Oak 2, LLC, for 2.91 MW total of rooftop (PV) generation for twenty years and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the agreements.



#### Creating a Solar Advantage

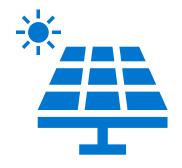
- If approved, 1,200 households in low-income neighborhoods will receive:
  - 100% renewable energy without having to install solar themselves
  - An additional 20% discount on energy for qualified CARE/FERA customers, bringing household savings up to 50%

#### **DAC-GT Background & Benefits**

In 2018, California Public Utilities Commission created the Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff program.

Community Power requested SDG&E's MW allocation and was subsequently recognized as Program Administrators in 2023 and renamed it Solar Advantage to better communicate what it does.

100% RENEWABLE



Supports **20.16 MW** of local renewable development in and around Disadvantaged Communities

**LOW INCOME** 



Benefits **9,000 residences** of those communities who are eligible for **CARE** & **FERA** discounts

**BILL SAVINGS** 



Provides an additional 20% discount on the customer's bills upon auto enrollment



#### 1st Light: Project Summaries

- Community Power's August 2023 Solar Advantage Request for Offers
- Shortlisting approved by Community Power Energy Contract Working Group in August 2024

#### **Project Details**

- **2.91 MW** (3 projects total)
- Developer: 1st Light Sales
   Corp
- Commercial Operation Date: April 1, 2027

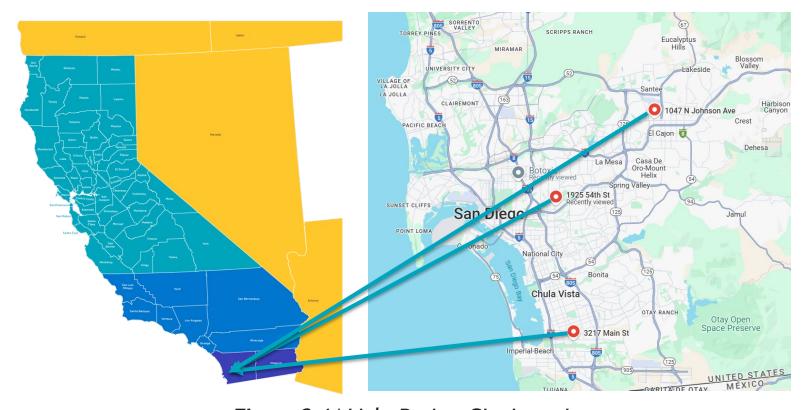


Figure 2: 1st Light Project Site Locations



#### **Project Locations**

**PS 20292 GT FIT** 

Expected Capacity (MW): 0.555
Annual Production (MWh): 825



**Figure 3:** Chula Vista Project 3217 Main St, Chula Vista, CA 91911

PS 08017

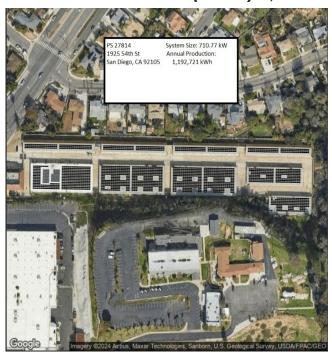
Expected Capacity (MW): 1.646
Annual Production (MWh): 2,598



**Figure 4:** El Cajon Project 1047 N. Johnson Ave, El Cajon, CA 92020

PS 27814

**Expected Capacity (MW):** 0.710 **Annual Production (MWh):** 1,193



**Figure 5:** San Diego Project 1925 54th Street, San Diego, CA 92105



#### 1st Light Developer Experience

- California-based solar developer
- Founded in 2004
- Completed 1,000 projects across 15 states
- 90% of projects are PV only at self-storage facilities
- Partnered with Public Storage to fulfill commitment of expanding solar at 1,300 properties by 2025



#### 1st Light Key Facts

- Product: Energy and Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) credits
- **Source**: Photovoltaic
- Pricing: Fixed for a 20-year term
- Timeline: Guaranteed Commercial Operation Date is April 1, 2027, which is when customers begin receiving discounts
- Performance: Community Power would receive financial compensation in the event of seller's failure to successfully achieve certain development milestones and guaranteed production
- Workforce: 100% local union labor requirement for all contracted and subcontracted construction work
  - o 50% minimum local labor requirement



#### Planned Next Steps for Solar Advantage Program

#### Project Procurement (Q4 2025 – Q2 2026)

- Second RFO closes
- Evaluation of second RFO bids
- Third RFO release & close

#### Project Development (Q2 2027)

- Construction and commissioning of first RFO projects
- 1st Light projects reach Commercial Operation Date

#### Customer Enrollment (Q3 2027)

- Luminia project reaches Commercial Operation Date
- Customer auto-enrollment and bill reductions begin

# Public Comment on Item No. 18 a

#### Item No. 18 a

# Board Members Comments or Questions



Approve Solar Advantage Program's Power Purchase Agreement Portfolio with 1st Oak, LLC

#### Recommendation:

Approve three (3) Power Purchase Agreements, in substantially final form, with 1st Oak 2, LLC, for 2.91 MW total of rooftop (PV) generation for twenty years and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the agreements.

#### Item No. 18 b

Evaluate the Workforce
Criteria for the Disadvantaged
Communities Green Tariff
Program

#### Recommendation:

Revise existing workforce criteria and include additional enhanced criteria and stronger labor protections for all current or future Request for Offers (RFOs) for the Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff Program.

#### Currently Active RFO and Existing Workforce Criteria

- Second Request for Offers ("RFO 2") for Solar Advantage (Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff)
- RFO #2 opened on April 7, 2025, scheduled to close on October 6, 2025
- 15.55 MW of capacity still available
- Workforce Criteria
  - Projects must pay prevailing wages, including to all tiers of subcontractors
  - Consistent with Community Power's Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy, higher evaluation ratings will be given to offers that:
    - a) Illustrate commitments to employ workers and use businesses from San Diego and Imperial counties;
    - b) Employ properly licensed contractors and California certified electricians;
    - c) Display a poster at jobsites informing workers of prevailing wage requirements;
    - d) Support and utilize local apprentices from State of California approved apprenticeship programs; and
    - e) Have executed, or have committed to executing, Project Labor Agreements (PLAs). The latter receives the highest workforce development rankings.



#### **Chair's Proposal**

- Staff is directed to add the following redline changes to the existing open RFO and apply same criteria to future RFOs for the DAC-GT program:
- xv. Labor: Projects must pay prevailing wages, including all tiers of subcontractors. In accordance with San Diego Community Power's Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy, higher evaluation ratings will be given to offers that, among other things:
  - a) Illustrate commitments Commit to employ workers and use businesses from San Diego and Imperial counties;
  - b) Employ properly licensed contractors and California certified electricians;
  - c) Display a poster at jobsites informing workers of prevailing wage requirements; and
  - d) Support and utilize local apprentices from State of California approved joint labor management apprenticeship programs.

Offers that have executed, or have committed to executing, Project Labor Agreements (PLAs), <u>and/or committed to using apprentices from State of California approved joint labor management apprenticeship programs</u>, will receive the highest workforce development rankings.

# Public Comment on Item No. 18 b

#### Item No. 18 b

Evaluate the Workforce
Criteria for the Disadvantaged
Communities Green Tariff
Program

#### **Recommendation:**

Revise existing workforce criteria and include additional enhanced criteria and stronger labor protections for all current or future Request for Offers (RFOs) for the Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff Program.

#### Item No. 19

Solar Battery Savings Residential Program Relaunch



#### Recommendation:

Receive and file update on the relaunch of the Solar Battery Savings (SBS) program.

# Solar Battery Savings (SBS) Program

- 1 Recap of the 2024 SBS Pilot
- 2 2025 SBS Program
  - 2a Goals
  - 2b Multi-Year Incentive Structure
  - **2c** Incentive Levels
  - 2d Operations and Eligible Equipment
- 3 Next Steps



## Solar Battery Savings 2024 Pilot Overview

#### **Benefits of Energy Storage**

#### Reduce energy bill

 Discharging a battery during on-peak periods (when prices are higher) to reduce utility bills

#### Reduce on-peak imports or leverage credits

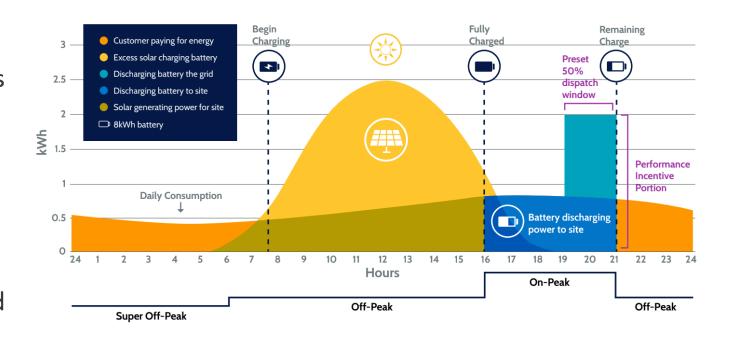
 Discharging a battery during on-peak periods allows homeowners to reduce on-peak imports or receive higher credits for excess battery power going back to the grid

#### **Obtain incentives**

 Take advantage of Community Power's upfront rebate and an additional \$0.10/kWh during the daily dispatch window (discharged to home or the grid)

#### Support the local utility grid

 Reduce pressure on the local grid when demand is high



#### **2024 SBS Pilot Results**

#### **Systems Incentivized**

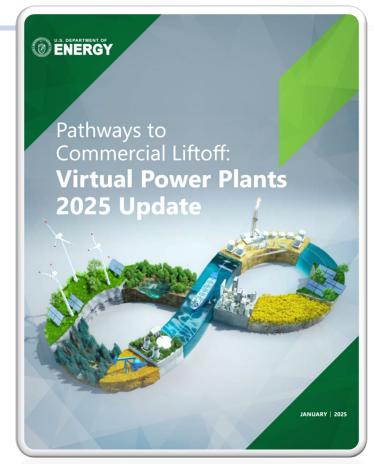
- 1,600 customers participated; 2,200 batteries installed
- Average \$6,900 incentive per participant
- ~40% pilot funding to Communities of Concern and CARE/FERA

#### **Industry Engagement**

- 50+ contractors approved
  - 37% registered Diverse Business Enterprises
  - o 42% less than 10 staff

#### **Pilot Recognition**

- Recognized in U.S. Department of Energy's Pathways to Commercial Liftoff: Virtual Power Plants 2025 Update
- Featured in Peak Load Management Alliance Fall Conference's "Power in Partnership: How CCAs Utilize Cooperation to build VPPs"







## Solar Battery Savings 2025 Program



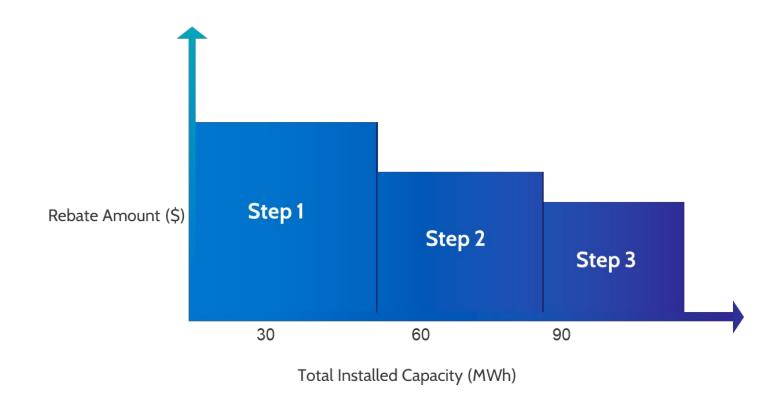
#### **Program Goals**

- Support the adoption of solar and storage in single-family homes with an emphasis on new systems
- Direct at least 50% of program funding to communities underserved by the solar/storage industry
  - 40% to Communities of Concern
  - 10% to CARE/FERA
- Support clean energy and grid reliability with having these battery resources dispatching during on-peak hours to support local, clean energy goals
- Strengthen and maintain relationships with Community Power customers and the industry, supporting local contractors
- Deliver bill savings to program participants
- Explore non-Community Power funding to maximize benefits for program participants (e.g., DAC-SASH, DSGS)



#### **Multi-Year Incentive Structure**

- 90 MWh overall program target with 30 MWh goal per step
- Well-established program design structure to phase out incentives, adapt to market changes
- Allows industry to adjust with advanced notice and clear, predictable phase-downs





#### Incentive Levels by Participant Type

- Added incentive category for new systems
- Higher relative incentives for new solar + storage systems
- Higher relative incentives for non-market rate participants (i.e., Community of Concern, CARE, FERA)
- No change to performance incentives from Pilot

Customer type	Market rate		Non-market rate	
System type	Existing system (NEM and SBP)	New system	Existing system (NEM and SBP)	New system
Upfront rebate (nameplate useable capacity)	\$250/kWh*	\$350/kWh*	Up to \$350/kWh*	Up to \$500/kWh*
Performance incentive	\$0.10/kWh (based on actual performance over the dispatch)			



#### Program Operations and Eligible Equipment

- Simplifying options for scaling
- 2026 4-hour battery dispatch
  - Future years expected to become more flexible; 1-5 hours within on-peak window
- Distributed Energy Resources Management System (DERMS) integration required for battery eligibility

Number of events	Daily (weekday only)		
Dispatch timing	All daily dispatches will align with the on-peak period between 4pm and 9pm		
Event duration	1-5 hours		
Battery enrollment	50% of the battery's nameplate usable capacity		
Unenrollment	Upfront rebate subject to prorated clawback if unenrolled within 5 years		
Active Events	Pending acceptance into DSGS or other Active Programs		





## **Next Steps**

#### **Next Steps**

#### **Contractor Approvals**

- Weeks of 9/8 & 9/15 offered four options for mandatory trainings
- Contractor enrollment 9/9-9/25

#### October 1, Press Event

Public launch to build awareness and credibility

#### Marketing Materials

- Updated website including customer FAQs and list of approved contractors
- Contractor toolkit with ready-to-use resources for customer outreach
- Customer brochure

#### **Customer Workshops**

- Public sessions for Community Power customers to learn about the program
- Raise awareness of program offerings and direct customers to resources



# Public Comment on Item No. 19

#### Item No. 19

# Board Members Comments or Questions



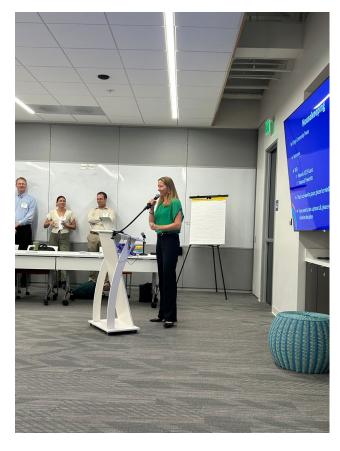
Solar Battery Savings Residential Program Relaunch

#### Recommendation:

Receive and file update on the relaunch of the Solar Battery Savings (SBS) program.

## Report by Chief Executive Officer

#### **Recent Speaking Engagements**



**Energy Academy** 



Renewable Rides Podcast



Community Clean Energy Grants
Press Event



#### San Diego Community Power in the Community



El Grito



Adams Avenue Street Fair



Coastal Cleanup Day





#### **Looking Ahead**

- Solar Battery Savings launching September 30
  - Solar Battery Savings press conference on
     October 1 at the County Administration Center
- October CalCCA Board Retreat
- Tree San Diego Plant-a-Thon on October 10 in National City



#### Hiring Updates

- Open Positions: Interview Stage
  - Associate Director of Finance: Capital Investment Plan
  - Senior IT Systems Engineer
  - Program Associate
- Open Positions: Final Stage
  - o Facilities Lead
- Upcoming Start Dates
  - o October 7: Anna Laprise, Senior Origination Associate

### **Directors Comments**

## Adjournment



Next Regular Board Meeting October 23, 2025, at 5 p.m.

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