RESOLUTION NO. 2023-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY POWER COMMITTING SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY POWER TO 100 PERCENT RENEWABLE ENERGY BY 2035

WHEREAS, climate change is one of the greatest threats of our time, prompting dramatic and harmful impacts to San Diego County such as more severe heat waves, more frequent wildfires, and sea level rise;

WHEREAS, the local impacts of climate change impact everyone in the San Diego region, with some of the most extreme effects concentrated in historically marginalized communities affecting some of our most vulnerable residents;

WHEREAS, the United Nations states that renewable energy use from sources such as wind and solar generate extensive economic and health benefits, and are key to mitigating our climate challenge;

WHEREAS, On September 16, 2022, Governor Newsom signed California State Senate Bill (SB) 1020 into law, which requires renewable energy and zero-carbon sources to supply 90 percent of all retail electricity sales by 2035;

WHEREAS, San Diego Community Power (SDCP) is a community-owned organization and joint powers authority that aims to invest in the community by creating an equitable and sustainable future for the San Diego region;

WHEREAS, consistent with its *Inclusive and Sustainable Workforce Policy*, SDCP also supports the creation of sustainable union jobs in our transition to a greener economy, requiring prevailing wages as defined in California Labor Code section 1770 *et seq.*, and a skilled and trained workforce as defined in California Public Contract Code section 2601, while expanding access to apprenticeship programs through pre-apprenticeship programs in communities of concern;

WHEREAS, through SDCP's commitment to investing in clean energy, the organization will continue to empower local residents and communities to reduce their carbon footprint, leaving a positive legacy for generations to come;

WHEREAS, the SDCP Joint Powers Agreement states that the "ultimate objective" of the organization "is achieving and sustaining--100 percent renewable energy availability and usage, at competitive rates, within SDCP service territory no later than 2035, and beyond" (Recitals, Section 7(c));

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2022, SDCP adopted its Legislative Platform, which included the prioritization of deep decarbonization and movement to 100 percent renewable energy by 2035; and

WHEREAS, given these facts, the increasing severity of climate change, and its harmful effects on the San Diego region, it is imperative that San Diego Community Power advances from aspiring to 100 percent renewable energy by 2035 and instead firmly commits to this goal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of San Diego Community Power as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Commitment to 100 Percent Renewable Energy by 2035</u>. The SDCP Board of Directors hereby establishes its firm commitment to achieve 100 percent renewable energy by 2035 and adopts the *100 Percent Renewable Energy by 2035 Policy* as provided in Exhibit A, attached hereto.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Chief Executive Officer Implementation</u>. The SDCP Board of Directors directs the Chief Executive Officer to take all operational actions necessary, within the CEO's delegated authority, to achieve 100 percent renewable energy by 2035.

Section 3. Annual Review. On an annual basis, SDCP shall at a regular meeting of the SDCP Board of Directors review progress towards 100 percent renewable energy by 2035 and other relevant information. At that time, the SDCP Board of Directors may also review market conditions to determine whether this policy should be modified in light of financial or ratepayer implications.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Board of Directors of San Diego Community Power held on March 23, 2023.

Chair, Board of Directors San Diego Community Power

Joseph Lam

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors San Diego Community Power