# REPORT ON COUNCIL-APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES; EVENTS; & UPDATES

## 1. EAST BAY COMMUNITY ENERGY AUTHORITY

# A. Board of Directors Meeting

- i. Met on 1/18/23, 2/15/23, and 3/15/23; will meet again on 4/19/23
- ii. Tracy specific item: On 1/18/23 the Board voted unanimously to negotiate an energy storage agreement with Kola Energy Storage II, LLC for a 125MW battery energy storage project in Tracy, San Joaquin County, California. This project is expected to be operational by 6/1/25 and provide energy arbitrage and Resource Adequacy for a term of twenty years.

# B. Appointed to Naming/Brand Ad Hoc Committee which seeks to update the agency's name and visual brand

- i. Met on 3/1/23; will meet again on 4/10/23
- ii. Ad Hoc Committee is moving to reflect the Authority's changing service territory.

## C. Community Advisory Commission needs a Tracy representative

i. The committee acts as a liaison between key stakeholders and EBCE Board, holding public committee meetings on a regular basis. Email the Clerk of the Board at cob@ebce.org for more information about CAC meetings and to apply.

# 2. TRI-VALLEY—SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY (VALLEY LINK)

#### A. Board of Directors Meeting

- i. Met on 1/11/23, 2/8/23; will meet again on 4/12/23
- ii. Board voted to enter into agreement with Red Oak Engineering & Consulting for Regional Advocacy Services.

## B. Executive Director Meeting with City Staff and Council-appointed representative

i. Met on 3/3/23

- ii. Received update on 2021 CEQA Certified Alternative Initial Operating Segments—Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station to Mountain House Station Alternative with a Tracy Operations and Maintenance Facility, which is the basis of the 26-mile Proposed Project Phase I (Mountain House Community Station with a Heavy OMF in Tracy and a Light OMF in Mountain House expected to be operational before 2028) to be evaluated in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Council Follow-up Request #558); how Phase I connects to I-205 Managed Lanes Project; and 16-mile Phase 2—Mountain House Community Station with Heavy OMF in Tracy and a Light OMF in Mountain House to Stockton expected to be operational after 2028 to address San Joaquin County demand.
- iii. City of Tracy continues to be the sole agency along the Proposed Project to have made a financial commitment in the form of a 200-acre land contribution valued at over \$1.2M for the Heavy OMF and green hydrogen fuel plant. This served as a catalyst for further federal and state funding that was acquired and continues to be sought.
- iv. Executive Director and City Staff scheduling a Valley Link Informational Item to brief Council and Public on Project Phases including timelines and funding.

# 3. SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

- A. Met on 1/18/23 and 2/15/23. 3/15/23 cancellation; will meet again on 4/19/23
- B. City of Tracy Representative Stephanie Reyna-Hiestand was in attendance and can provide at staff update if when requested
- C. Appointed Council Member Bedolla as City of Tracy Representative and Stephanie Reyna-Hiestand as City of Tracy Alternate on 3/14/23

#### 4. TRACY HOMELESSNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- A. Met on 2/16/23 and 3/16/23; will meet again on 4/17/23
- B. Received an informational report regarding the implementation of the City Council Strategic Plan to end and prevent homelessness and the most recent emergency interim shelter activities.
- C. Appointed Mayor Pro Tempore Davis as Chair and Council Member Bedolla as Vice Chair
- D. Advisory Committee requested staff return with full report on expenses and service contracts paid year to date.
- E. The Homeless Advisory Bylaws will be considered on the April 4, 2023 City Council Meeting.

- F. The City Manager's Emergency Purchasing authority related to the Shelter Crisis Emergency will be considered on the April 4, 2023 City Council Meeting.
- G. The City welcomed the new Director of Mobility and Housing, Adriana Castaneda.

#### 5. INVESTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

- A. Met on 3/13/23; will meet again on 6/12/23
- B. City of Tracy is not exposed to the risk from recent bank failures seen in the media.

## 6. PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE

- A. Attended on 3/6-8/23 along with Council Members and City Staff
- B. Currently exploring how frameworks and examples from public agencies and private businesses can be implemented to achieve greater project delivery efficiency in the City of Tracy.

# 7. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- A. Met 3/17/23; will meet again on 6/23/23
- B. Discussed three proposed water bond measures, identified bond funding priorities, and made a recommendation to the Cal Cities Board.
- C. AB 1567 (Garcia) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024, SB 638 (Eggman) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024, and SB 867 (Allen) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 were discussed. The three measures would collectively propose \$20 billion in bonds for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, and extreme heat mitigation.
- D. The three measure have the potential to advance infrastructure, programs, and policies that address water challenges, including unsafe drinking water, major flood risks that threaten public safety, drought, extreme weather conditions, and agricultural communities coping with uncertain water supplies. Also, they can advance climate and water goals by investing in the needs of the least resilient and most underserved communities.
- E. For all three water bond measures the TCPW Committee voted to support if amended to include more for groundwater recharge, surface water storage, water recycling and reuse, dam and reservoir safety, watershed management, and local water conservation programs. Also, more local control and greater opportunity for city specific asks.

# 8. AB1234 ETHICS TRAINING FOR LOCAL OFFICIALS

A. Attended on 3/20/23 along with Council Members, Commissioners, and City Staff

# 9. COMMUNITY EVENTS

- A. Tracy Babe Ruth Opening Day without Ceremony on 3/18/23 (Rescheduled due to rain cancellation on 3/11/23)
- B. Saturday 3/25/23 will be the final games for all teams in the City of Tracy's Junior Warriors League. As Head Coach of Team Phoenix, I can attest all players put in a great effort and had fun improving their skills. Thank you to all the players, parents, coaches, referees, city and school staff, and volunteers involved. It was a great season—looking forward to the next one!

# 10. COUNCIL MEETING ON 4/4/23

A. I will work with City Clerk's Office on agenda requirements for remote participation.

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-Matt Bedolla