TO: VCEA Board

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: Recognition of Community Advisory Committee Members Gerry Braun and Christine Shewmaker

DATE: February 13, 2020

Recommendation

Staff recommends recognizing via Resolution the service of Community Advisory Committee original Chair, Gerry Braun, and original Vice Chair, Christine Shewmaker.

Attachments: Resolution recognizing Gerry Braun
Resolution recognizing Christine Shewmaker
VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

A RESOLUTION HONORING GERRY BRAUN FOR HIS SERVICE AS THE ORIGINAL CHAIR OF THE VCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Gerry Braun, resident of the City of Davis, served on the Davis Community Choice Energy Advisory Committee and participated with City staff in the investigation and efforts to determine the feasibility of creating a local Community Choice Aggregation program; and,

WHEREAS, in December 2016, Valley Clean Energy Alliance Joint Powers Agency was formed, and the Board of Directors created the Community Advisory Committee at which time, Gerry Braun was appointed as a member; and

WHEREAS, Gerry Braun has served as the original Chair from the inception of the VCE Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, his leadership on the Community Advisory Committee was instrumental in helping VCE launch successfully, navigate the challenges of VCE’s early operations, and form an effective Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, his career in the energy sector and deep experience in energy planning and regulatory matters contributes significantly to the Board’s confidence in the community advisory process; and

WHEREAS, his commitment to community based power and environmental sustainability contributed significantly in forming and launching Valley Clean Energy as a Community Choice Aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, his knowledge and understanding of the needs of the community of customers enriches the Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors’ and Community Advisory Committee’s perspective and efficacy; and

WHEREAS, his commitment to greener, more renewable sources of locally controlled energy for local communities enhances the value that Valley Clean Energy Alliance offers its customers; and

NOW THEREFORE, on February 13, 2020, we, as the Board Chair and Interim General Manager, on behalf of the VCE Board of Directors, do hereby extend heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to Gerry Braun for his outstanding service to VCE and recognition of his leadership of the Community Advisory Committee of Valley Clean Energy as its first Chair.

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A RESOLUTION HONORING CHRISTINE SHEWMAKER FOR HER SERVICE AS THE ORIGINAL VICE-CHAIR OF THE VCE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City of Woodland became a member of Valley Clean Energy Alliance Joint Powers Agency on June 13, 2017, at which time, Christine Shewmaker was appointed as a member on the Advisory Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Christine Shewmaker has served as the original Vice Chair from the inception of the VCE Community Advisory Committee; and,

WHEREAS, her leadership on the Community Advisory Committee was instrumental in helping VCE launch successfully, navigate the challenges of VCE’s early operations, and form an effective Community Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, her career in the plant biology / plant molecular biology field and experience as a community activist on climate change contributes significantly to the Board’s confidence in the community advisory process; and,

WHEREAS, her knowledge and understanding of the needs of the community of customers enriches the Valley Clean Energy Board of Directors’ and Community Advisory Committee’s perspective and efficacy; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to greener, more renewable sources of locally controlled energy for local communities enhances the value that Valley Clean Energy Alliance offers its customers.

NOW THEREFORE, on February 13, 2020, we, as the Board Chair and Interim General Manager, on behalf of the VCE Board of Directors, do hereby extend heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to Christine Shewmaker for her outstanding service to VCE and recognition of her leadership of the Community Advisory Committee of Valley Clean Energy as its first Vice-Chair.

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