VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Staff Report - Item 4

TO: Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Alisa Lembke, Board Clerk/Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT: CAC October 22, 2026 Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 19, 2026

Recommendation

Receive, review and approve the attached October 22, 2026 CAC meeting Minutes.

Attachment: October 22, 2026 CAC meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF THE VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
City of Davis Conference Room
(inside Community Chambers building)
23 Russell Boulevard, Davis California 95616

Vice Chair Rahul Athalye established that there was a quorum present and opened the Community Advisory Committee of Valley Clean Energy Alliance in a meeting on Thursday, October 22, 2026 beginning at 5:02 p.m., held at the City of Davis Conference Room, located insides the Community Chambers building at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California 95616.

Welcome and Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Rahul Athalye (Vice Chair), Mark Aulman, David Springer, Ari Halberstadt, Mark Murray, Cynthia Rodriguez, Jennifer Rindahl (arrived at 5:12 p.m.)

Committee Members Absent: Keith Taylor (Chair), Lorenzo Kristov, Diccon Westworth, Danielle Ballard,

Item 1: Welcome Vice Chair Rahul Athalye welcomed everyone and established there was a quorum.

Item 2: Public Comment There were no verbal or written public comments on items not listed on the agenda nor on Consent Agenda items.

Item 3: Task Group Reports and Staff Reports Task Group reports:

Programs & Outreach: Mark Aulman informed those present that he and David Springer will be assisting VCE Staff in the Focus Group Research and Marketing, Website and Social Media services interviews.

Legislative & Regulatory: VCE Staff Yvonne Hunter informed those present that the CAC will be reviewing the draft 2027 Legislative & Regulatory Platform at tonight's meeting during the regular portion of the Agenda.

Local Energy: Ari Halberstadt informed those present that he met with a few VCE Customers in the Capay Valley area. They talked about the challenges residents face in this area due to the numerous PG&E Enhanced Powerline Safety Events (ESPS) that have occurred. He will be bringing back their concerns to the LETG. David Springer informed those present that he has been

pursuing the idea of a consolidated battery in multifamily buildings, instead of a distributed battery in each unit, which would reduce the cost and possibly lower the resource adequacy for VCE. He has been in touch with a manufacturer who has taken an interest.

Staff report: VCE Staff Edward Burnham informed the CAC Members that 2026 Year-end Task Group reports will be due for the CAC's November meeting, with the final Task Group reports going to the Board at their December meeting. Mr. Burnham welcomed VCE's new employee Christian Filbrun who is VCE's Policy Analyst – Legislative and Regulatory. Mr. Filbrun introduced himself. (Jennifer Rindahl arrived at 5:12 p.m.)

Mr. Burnham informed those present that the Board at their October meeting approved the Power Selection Guidelines. There is the Board's Workshop (Special Meeting) scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, October 23, 2026 at Hotel Winters from 9 a.m. – 12 noon, where the Board will review accomplishments, Board governance, values and principles in tough years, and strategy looking ahead. At the November Board meeting, Staff will provide a report on that meeting. Mr. Burnham reported that in 2027, there will be a Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) increase and PG&E rate decrease, these two subjects will be on the Board's November meeting agenda. SMUD has given their notice terming out at the end of our contract which is in 2028.

Agenda Consent Items

Mark Aulman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items, seconded by David Springer. Motion passed with Ari Halberstadt abstaining from the August 27, 2026 meeting minutes and Taylor, Kristov, Ballard, and Westworth absent. The following items were:

4. Approved August 27, 2026 Meeting Minutes;
5. Received 2026 Long Range Calendar;
6. Received Customer Participation update (3rd Quarter);
7. Received Residential Dynamic Pricing Pilot program (HFP) and Vehicle-Grid Integration (VGI) Pilot Program update; and,
8. Received Legislative End of Session update.

Item 9: Receive Power Portfolio update. (Information)

VCE Staff Chad Curran provided VCE's power portfolio update. He reviewed the Power Resources map, noting that some details about the Willow Rock and Indian Valley Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) were update on the map on VCE's website. Mr. Curran reviewed power resources that are "in-development" and status updates on those that are operating. He provided an update on upcoming procurement, such as long-duration storage and geothermal to meet CPUC procurement orders for 2031 and 2032. In addition,

Mr. Curran provided the status of existing PPAs and VCE's long-term planning as these contracts expire. He informed those present that VCE is forecasted to meet or exceed its strategic plan goals of 90% renewable energy and 100% carbon free energy by 2030. He reviewed forecasted load against projected long-term power contracts starting in 2023 through 2030.

The CAC and Staff discussed topics, such as: tax credits, CC Power and its projects, California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) procurement requirements, load and forecasting, and residential solar within VCE's jurisdiction. There was no written or verbal public comment.

Item 10: Review and provide feedback on draft 2027 Legislative & Regulatory Platform. (Discussion/Action)

VCE Staff Yvonne Hunter reviewed highlights of the changes, as outlined in the Staff Report, to the draft 2027 Legislative and Regulatory Platform. The CAC and Staff briefly discussed the review process and VCE's participation with CalCCA's Legislative Committee. There was no written or verbal public comment.

Motion made by Ari Halberstadt to approve the draft 2027 VCE Legislative Platform outlining policy, legislative and regulatory issues and positions that VCE would take on them and recommend that the VCE Board approve the 2027 Platform. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Aulman, Springer, Rodriguez, Halberstadt, Murray, Rindahl, Athalye
NOES: None
ABSENT: Taylor, Kristov, Westworth, Ballard
ABSTAIN: None

Item 11: Advisory Committee Member and Staff Announcements

Mr. Burnham informed those present that VCE will be participating in the Winters Farmers Market. He also informed those present that Ms. Hunter will be retiring from VCE at the end of the year.

Item 12: Adjournment to Next Meeting

Vice Chair Athalye informed those present that the CAC's next scheduled meeting is Thursday, November 19, 2026 at the City of Davis Conference Room, inside the Community Chambers building, located at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California 95616 not at the City of Woodland as written on the Agenda. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

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