

Switzer, Donna

From: James Martin <jamesamartin5@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 2:32 PM
To: citycouncil@surfcity-hb.org; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: ATTN Public Comment re: YES TO CCE

Dear Mayor Carr and Council,

As a resident, homeowner, and voter in Huntington Beach, I am writing to ask you to please vote YES on Approving the JPA agreement, Authorizing the Mayor & City Clerk to sign the agreement, Approving the First Reading of the Ordinance, and Appointing a Board Director to join the Orange County Power Authority and Orange County's first Community Choice Energy Program!

I believe the best plan to stop climate change is the fee and dividend plan, as in H. R. 763. Until we can get such a plan passed, local governments should do what they can. From what I have learned, CCE will cost the City nothing, will save residents money, and will reduce fossil carbon use.

Jim Martin
Huntington Beach, CA 92647
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**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Meeting Date: 12/10/2020

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Switzer, Donna

From: Gregory Tabat <greg@exceptional.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 3:51 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Public Comment re: YES TO CCE

I am asking Mayor Carr and the City Council to please vote YES on Approving the JPA agreement, Authorizing the Mayor & City Clerk to sign the agreement, Approving the First Reading of the Ordinance, and Appointing a Board Director to join the Orange County Power Authority and Orange County's first Community Choice Energy Program!

I own and operate a small business within the City of Huntington Beach. I visit friends, shop and recreate within the city. This means so much to business owners and residents.

Peace
GT (Gregory Tabat)

**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Switzer, Donna

From: Jim Stewart <drjimstewart@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 6:46 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL
Cc: Hoiyin.lp@California.SierraClub.org
Subject: Sierra Club Supports Huntington Beach Joining CCE JPA
Attachments: Sierra Club Supports Huntington Beach Joining CCE JPA.pdf

Please include the attached letter in which Sierra Club Supports Huntington Beach Joining CCE JPA

Thanks,

Jim Stewart, PhD, Co-chair
Sierra Club California Energy-Climate Committee
Cell: 213-820-4345

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December 10, 2020

RE: Community Choice Energy Joint Powers Authority

Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The Sierra Club appreciates the City of Huntington Beach's efforts on Community Choice Energy (CCE) over the years. We support you joining the CCE Joint Powers Authority (JPA) with Irvine and Fullerton.

We see joining the CCE JPA as a major step toward clean energy and clean air, increased environmental justice and local jobs, while we help slow down climate change.

Many citizens, businesses and NGOs have worked toward this goal over the past five years in Orange County. During this time, a number of CCEs have launched successfully in California, so now over 10 million people in 170 municipalities are receiving electricity through CCE. Huntington Beach joining the JPA will encourage other cities to join the California movement toward clean community energy.

CCEs work for the benefit of their constituents and serve their communities while improving service and the bottom line. Highlights include:

- > All California CCEs have succeeded.
- > All CCEs offer comparable or lower electricity rates.
- > All CCEs pursue cleaner energy and local sources.
- > All CCEs are creating good local jobs.
- > CCEs do not put the City's General Fund at risk if formed as a JPA.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Stewart".

Jim Stewart, PhD
Co-Chair of Sierra Club California Energy-Climate Committee
213-820-4345, DrJimStewart@gmail.com

CC: Hoiyin Ip, Co-Chair of Sierra Club California Zero Waste Committee
Hoiyin.Ip@California.SierraClub.org

Switzer, Donna

From: Adam Chung <awchung77@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 8:26 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; citycouncil@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: ATTN Public Comment re: YES TO CCE

Dear Mayor Carr and Council,

Please vote YES on Approving the JPA agreement, Authorizing the Mayor & City Clerk to sign the agreement, Approving the First Reading of the Ordinance, and Appointing a Board Director to join the Orange County Power Authority and Orange County's first Community Choice Energy Program!

Thanks,
Adam, resident

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From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 8:48 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:  MyHB-#481402 City Council [39767]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 7:29 AM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481402 City Council [39767]

MyHB
New Report Submitted - #481402

Status
new

Work Order
#481402

Issue Type
City Council

Subtype
All Council Members

Notes
No on CCE. This is not an economically good move for our city. Please vote no when this comes up again!

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Reporter Name
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Report Submitted
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From: Fikes, Cathy
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Subject: FW:  MyHB-#481400 City Council [39766]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 7:28 AM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481400 City Council [39766]

MyHB

New Report Submitted - #481400

Status

new

Work Order

#481400

Issue Type

City Council

Subtype

All Council Members

Notes

No on CCE!

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From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 8:53 AM
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From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 6:51 AM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481349 City Council [39760]

MyHB
New Report Submitted - #481349

Status
new

Work Order
#481349

Issue Type
City Council

Subtype
All Council Members

Notes

Say YES to Community Choice Energy. Vote to become a founding partner of the Orange County Power Authority. Let's look to the future and help our small businesses and residents realize the savings in utilities. There is no fiscal impact to the city's general fund. HB residents and voters since 1985, Cathey and Bob Ryder

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Report Submitted
DEC 10, 2020 - 6:50 AM

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Switzer, Donna

From: Mark Bixby <mark@bixby.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 5:48 PM
To: Agenda Comment; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: YES on CCE

Hi city council,

I urge a YES vote at the 12/10 special meeting to proceed with joining the OCPA JPA as a founding member with right of risk-free withdrawal.

Monopolies only benefit the seller (SCE), never the buyer (the city and residents). We can do better as part of the JPA due to its increased purchasing power, and with careful rate setting, we can offer various energy efficiency incentives back to the community.

Sincerely,

Mark Bixby
714-401-4526 cell

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Switzer, Donna

From: Lara Neu Von Urff <lvonurff@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 8:53 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Vote Approval for HB Outreach CCE Initiative

Hello,

Here are our Votes for the “approval” of the HB outreach for CCE initiative.

We have lived in Downtown HB Since 2001:

Alan Brown bought & lives in house since 2001
Lara Von Urff lived in house full-time since 2009
Address:
505 13th Street
HB, Ca 92648

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Everyone in Huntington Beach needs electricity every day, yet Huntington Beach residents do not have any choice on where they get their electricity. SoCal Edison’s monopoly on Huntington Beach has resulted in years of steadily rising rates for residents with little to show for it.

Now SCE is requesting a 14.4% increase in residential rates for 2021. CCE is the only significant tool our city has to protect residents from these increases. A recent study by the City of Irvine concluded that CCE customers would save .5 to 2% off SCE’s comparable rates, with higher savings predicted over time.

Income generated by the CCE will be returned to our community to help fund local programs like stabilizing our electricity bills, bike lanes or EV chargers instead of going to pay SCE shareholder dividends or CEO bonuses.

The Irvine study also found that CCE will enable the city achieve 100% clean energy by 2035 at no additional cost to customers while reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 360,000 metric tons each year. That's like taking more than 78,000 cars off the road. Environmental benefits would be comparable for Huntington Beach.

Irvine's City Council has unanimously voted to create a CCE Joint Powers Authority after multiple recommendations from their Green Ribbon Committee and Finance Commission agreed with their study, which found that CCE will bring the city \$10.6 million in annual net revenue, \$7.7 million in annual savings for Irvine consumers, and \$120,000 in annual municipal electricity savings.

Huntington Beach needs to vote to move forward on CCE as soon as possible in order to meet a year-end California Public Utilities Commission deadline that must be met in order to begin service in 2022. If the council misses this deadline, Huntington Beach residents cannot get CCE until 2023.

Also,

What Im bringing to the table today is a chance for our Young High School Graduates to have a chance at a career in “Wind Turbine Jobs”, Solar Installations/Sales in all new built homes that doesn’t necessarily require a 4 year expensive College graduate diploma. At this trying time when people are losing there jobs & Life Savings. Our Community as a Whole can benefit by Renewable Energy in our Local Environment & Save historical Marine Life & add career wise Jobs to our prospering young Adults that can possibly be achieved by a learning Certification, that could be offered by some federal government Grants, if we play our cards right. My thoughts are why cant we Do Both underwater artificial Reef’s to preserve marine life & Windmills above platforms on top... While 10 or more of Southern California’s 27 offshore oil rigs could be closed in the next 10 years, there’s a push to preserve these Platform Rigs & habitat-rich underwater bases as artificial reefs — And, so

why no possibly transform the tops into Windmills. There are

four rigs within the three-mile offshore state boundary THAT could be converted to reefs under existing law. That we focus on ONE as a Focus trial...we have ten years to change then

But federal regulations allow “alternative uses” of decommissioned rigs only if the state has an artificial reef program.

Some of this information was achieved from article dated: march 06,2020, OC Register

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Warmest Regards, Lara Neu Von Urff

Switzer, Donna

From: Scott Freeman <scott@primalelements.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:36 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: RE: CCE-Energy Competition

I hope our council will vote to bring the CCE into the City of Huntington Beach

From: Scott Freeman
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 9:13 AM
To: SupplementalComm@Surfcity-hb.org
Subject: CCE-Energy Competition

To the City of Huntington Beach:

When Huntington Beach invests in local energy production, our city officials help us to control our power suppliers. HB is a one of a kind location: beautiful beaches, local mountains and foothills all bathed in beautiful sunshine. Why rely on "far-off" energy sources distributed through an aging 100-year-old electrical infrastructure?

I want my City to be energy competitive! I don't want to rely on the whims of far-off energy producers or to be at the mercy of regional distribution agreements. If we allow others to potentially hold our power "hostage", rate payers could see increased power costs and potential limits on supply.

Thank you

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From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:46 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:  MyHB-#481710 City Council [39785]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:37 AM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481710 City Council [39785]

MyHB
New Report Submitted - #481710

Status
new

Work Order
#481710

Issue Type
City Council

Subtype
All Council Members

Notes
Requesting a no vote on CCE at the special meeting.

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Report Submitted
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From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:50 AM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:  MyHB-#481727 City Council [39787]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:48 AM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481727 City Council [39787]

MyHB
New Report Submitted - #481727

Status

new

Work Order

#481727

Issue Type

City Council

Subtype

All Council Members

Notes

It is being reported on social media that an "emergency" council meeting is being called for tonight in the absence of members Ortiz and Peterson to consider moving forward on the CCA/CCE issue. An issue of this magnitude deserves full consideration of the full council with informed community input. Do not move forward on this.

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Reporter Name

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Report Submitted

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Switzer, Donna

From: lindaklaw <lindaklaw@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 10:17 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Say yes to CCE

CCE will allow the citizens of Huntington Beach to have control over the types of energy it uses and to keep costs low. We do not want to wait and be subject to the 14.4% SoCal Edison rate increase for the next two years. The profits from that go to SCE shareholders abroad and not to HB families. Let Huntington Beach be a leader on the issue of cleaner air and lower costs. Thank you.

Linda Law

**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Switzer, Donna

From: Craig Preston <craigp4444@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 10:53 AM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: 12/10/20 mtg Agenda Item 20-2082 COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY

Dear City Council,

I support all 5 recommended actions to take next steps in joining Orange County Power Authority CCE JPA as a Founding Member. Cost savings to rate payers are immediate and grow over time. Lower emissions are needed now.

As of January 2020 there were 21 operational CCEs in California serving over 10 million customers, but NONE in Orange County. Irvine is being heroic to step out, and I am proud of Fullerton, and my city, Costa Mesa, for moving to join.

The City of Huntington Beach is sitting on a prime opportunity to shape the future of Orange County's energy future. By voting to join JPA now as a Founding Member, HB will have the ability to influence for the energy sector that is unprecedented, and leave a legacy that determines economic development in OC for decades to come.

Note, there is a deadline. The California Public Utilities Commission requires the OC Power Authority to submit its list of cities by December 31st, 2020 in order for CCE service to begin in 2022. If Huntington Beach decides to wait, then there is a year delay according to CPUC Resolution E-4907.

This would mean that Huntington Beach residents and businesses would be paying the 14.4% Socal Edison rate increase for the next two years. The rate increase begins in January 2021, and the profits from that go directly to SCE's shareholders abroad and not HB families.

Craig Preston
(714) 473-2798
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Switzer, Donna

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:13 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW: MyHB-#481746 City Council [39788]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:11 PM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: MyHB-#481746 City Council [39788]

MyHB

New Report Submitted - #481746

Status

new

Work Order

#481746

Issue Type

City Council

Subtype

All Council Members

Notes

Let me as a voting citizen of Huntington Beach make two points abundantly clear: (1). Little or no short notice City Council meetings to deal with critical topics are not what we as an electororate place you as our representatives. (2). I'm completely opposed to the Community Choice Aggregation initiative that seems to find it way back time and again after having a fair hearing and being soundly rejected by our citizens

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
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Report Submitted

DEC 10, 2020 - 12:10 PM

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Switzer, Donna

From: BETHANY WEBB <bethwebb711@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:43 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Vote yes on CCE

Hello Mayor Carr and Council,

I am writing you as 40 year resident and homeowner in HB.

Please vote yes on Authorizing the JPA agreement, authorizing the city manager to sign it and appointing a board director to join the OCPA and the Community Choice Energy Program.

It's got something for everybody from environmentalists to supporters of local control and fiscal savings.

Thank you for your consideration
Bethany Webb

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Switzer, Donna

From: Fikes, Cathy
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:58 PM
To: Agenda Alerts
Subject: FW:  MyHB-#481769 City Council [39789]

From: MyHB <reply@mycivicapps.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:35 PM
To: Jun, Catherine <catherine.jun@surfcity-hb.org>; Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Frakes, Sandie <Sandie.Frakes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:  MyHB-#481769 City Council [39789]

MyHB
New Report Submitted - #481769

Status

new

Work Order

#481769

Issue Type

City Council

Subtype

All Council Members

Notes

Vote Yes on CCE

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From: Greg Kordich <llk5@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:47 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Fwd: CCE

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From: Greg Kordich <llk5@icloud.com>
Subject: CCE
Date: December 10, 2020 at 12:19:20 PM PST
To: citycouncil@surfcity-hb.org

MAYOR CARR and all CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY is a WIN—WIN—WIN for OUR city. Business will save on electricity costs which will draw more business to the city. Residents will save on monthly electrical bills. The city will generate needed income and jobs for the future. YOUR YES VOTE is necessary for this WIN—WIN—WIN formula. THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION. GREG AND LYNN KORDICH 40YR RESIDENTS

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

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Switzer, Donna

From: Steven C. Shepherd, Architect <steve@shepherdarchitects.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 1:04 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: SUPPORT FOR JOINING ORANGE COUNTY POWER AUTHORITY

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 12/10/2020

Agenda Item No.: 1120-2082

Hello HB City Council –

My name is Steve Shepherd. I am an HB resident writing in support of the City of Huntington Beach, taking all necessary steps and making all necessary efforts to join the Orange County Power Authority (OCPA).

I've appeared before our city council on multiple occasions over the past three years, supporting Community Choice Energy for Huntington Beach. Although I would have loved to have had the opportunity to voice my strong support for CCE in HB in-person again, this email will have to suffice.

Looking back at my past comments made in support of Community Choice Energy, I was struck by just how consistent the facts underpinning my support for CCE have been. Even as I've learned more about CCE and millions more Californians have had their energy needs met by local public agencies, the facts remain unchanged.

Without getting into a lengthy description of how CCE would benefit our community, let me briefly remind you of the basis for my support:

- CCE promotes and is a reflection of Free-Market Economics
- CCE increases Consumer Choice
- CCE mean Local Control, Oversight, and Accountability of our precious energy supply
- CCE is an Economic Development Tool for our city
- CCE Increases Local Investment

While these bullet points may strike a cynic as little more than “rainbows and unicorns,” Community Choice Energy has a quantifiable track record of success to back these statements.

1. There are now more than 21 different CCE agencies operating across California
2. Just since 2018, more than 70 cities have joined or started their own Community Choice Energy Program bringing the total to 180 communities in California
3. CCE agencies provide power for more than 11 million Californians
4. Marin Clean Energy, California's first CCE, just celebrated its 10th anniversary in operation.

I understand local governance is hard. There are lots of topics, lots of opinions, and lots of emotions. I get it. Even a seemingly simple issue is rarely straightforward, but that's the job. Although hardly new, CCE would be something new for Huntington Beach, and no matter how much benefit it will bring, anytime there's something new, folks tend to get scared. I'm sure you've received plenty of notes from my fellow residents who are afraid of CCE. Again, I get it.

In closing, I'd like to briefly reflect on a quote that puts the fears of my fellow residents in perspective. Shortly after being inaugurated as President of the United States, and in the depths of the Great Depression, Franklin D Roosevelt's 1st inaugural address contained a quote that is often shortened to “... the only thing we have to fear is ... fear itself ...” And while this is a great quip, I believe the full quote is particularly instructive for Huntington Beach's new city council as our community faces the difficulties of today. The full quote reads:

“So, first of all, let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is...fear itself

— nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance.”

In this challenging moment, we cannot and must not allow “nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror” to paralyze Huntington Beach’s efforts to “convert retreat into advance. “

Community Choice Energy is an opportunity for our community to advance, and we must have the courage to embrace this opportunity.

Please vote in favor of CCE for HB by voting to join the OCPA.

Steve Shepherd
Huntington Beach, CA 92646

Switzer, Donna

From: Jose Trinidad Castaneda <jose@climateactioncampaign.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 1:11 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Public Comment re: 12.10.20 Huntington Beach Council Meeting Item 20-2082 CCE
Attachments: Letter to Huntington Beach CCE Vote 12.10.20.docx

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

Attached is my public comment letter to you all to be submitted into the public record regarding today's special meeting agenda item on Community Choice Energy.

Please note that the attached letter includes various information on the CCE timeline, benefits for joining, and evidence-based clarification regarding misinformation circulating in the community. I hope you find this helpful.

Thank you,
Jose Trinidad Castaneda

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December 10, 2020

Hon. Mayor Kim Carr
Hon. Mayor Pro Tem Tito Ortiz
Hon. Council Member Barbara Delgleize
Hon. Council Member Erik Peterson
Hon. Council Member Dan Kalmick
Hon. Council Member Natalie Moser
Hon. Council Member Mike Posey
City Manager Oliver Chi

On behalf of Climate Action Campaign, thank you for listening to my public comments. Included in the following documents are informational items for your consideration regarding Community Choice Energy in Huntington Beach.

Community Choice Aggregation, also known as Community Choice Energy (abbreviated CCA and CCE by various parties), is a local, not-for-profit governmental program that buys and may generate electrical power on behalf of its residents, businesses, and governmental entities. The agency administering the Community Choice program may also elect to administer energy efficiency programs and other greenhouse gas emission reducing activities. There are many reasons why a community might want to pursue Community Choice energy.

Potential benefits include:

- enhanced consumer choice
- local control
- cost savings
- expansion of renewable energy portfolios
- local economic development
- faster progress toward achieving a community's environmental goals.

Community Choice programs are **opt-out** programs, meaning that once a local government votes to form a Community Choice agency, the constituents of that local government are automatically enrolled, and may opt out if they wish.

Community Choice is only involved in the electrical generation decision-making and has no involvement with transmission and distribution. The electrical utility also continues the metering and the billing for customers. The Community Choice agency replaces the line item on the electric bill for "generation."

Top 6 Benefits and Talking Points for Joining the Orange County CCE Movement

1. **CONSUMER CHOICE:** Huntington Beach families want and deserve a choice of energy providers. A HB CCE creates competition in the energy marketplace that encourages greater innovation and improved pricing.
2. **COST SAVINGS:** All CCEs provide a rate savings compared to SCE current rates. The Validation study solidifies that the OC CCE rate savings will range between 0.5-2%. Older CCE programs, such as Marin Clean Energy, now vastly outpace the rates offered by their

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incumbent utility. Rate savings expected to increase starting 2026-2030 as SCE contracts expire, greater load departure, and changes in wholesale power costs.

3. **CLEANER ENERGY:** CCE programs provide a higher mix of more affordable clean energy sources, helping us reach our Zero Carbon energy goals. Wholesale renewable solar energy costs are approaching \$0.02/kWh compared to SCE's on-peak residential rates of \$0.35/kWh or more.
4. **COMMUNITY CONTROL:** An OC JPA CCE puts HB families in charge of our energy future through local decision-making on rates, programs, and policies.
5. **COMMUNITY BENEFIT:** CCE programs are centered on the public interest and community benefits.. CCE can advance important equitable and sustainable climate and clean energy goals that are community-focused and community-led.
6. **MAXIMIZE ECONOMIES OF SCALE:** Given that MRW gave two recommendations, do you want to look at this and be a regional leader and maximize economies of scale. The economies of scale for community choice energy in California are very important, and it's important for Irvine to lead that effort in a JPA. A single-city CCE risks Irvine's General Fund, while a JPA reduces our liability through partnerships. MRW points to lessons learned from San Diego. San Diego will have over \$1B to utilize to develop programs and keep costs down. It's important for Irvine to remember that size is important.

Here is additional information to help answer any questions you may have about the details of your agenda packet.

Updated Feasibility Study: The Pro Forma included in Irvine City Council meeting for November 10th includes three scenarios that show the growth and estimated timelines for CCE discretionary funds to be made available to Huntington Beach residents. Scenario 1 is specific to an Irvine-Huntington Beach CCE, and Scenario 3 shows that if more cities were to join, then Irvine's loans are paid back sooner, thereby accelerating the ability for program funding to return back to Huntington Beach families.

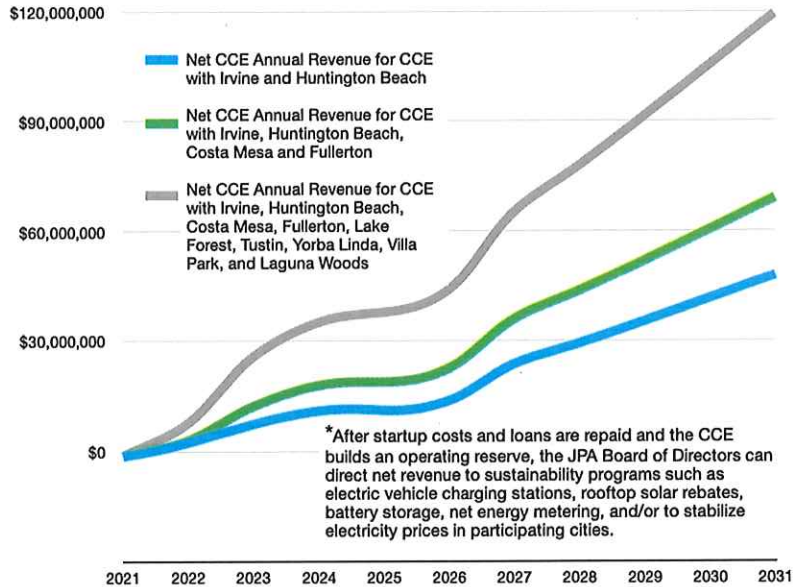
Outreach: Climate Action Campaign has made efforts to conduct community outreach to Huntington Beach residents and received overwhelmingly positive feedback that this is the direction Huntington Beach residents would like the city to go in. We also made specific efforts to host community forums before COVID restrictions moved our work online. Public Comments submitted by Huntington Beach residents on tonight's item should indicate that the community does have interest in CCE.

Exit Clause: If Huntington Beach City Council does not vote on the recommended actions to adopt a first reading of the CCE ordinance and appoint a Board Director, then there is a chance that the city will miss out on the opportunity to participate in the Founding JPA meeting. The current JPA Draft Agreement allows Huntington Beach to withdraw by March 1st, 2021, and again in 2022-onwards (with CCE service stopping the following year) if the JPA decides to submit an amendment to the CPUC. But Huntington Beach should be a founding member on the JPA board to be able to shape discussions on exit clauses should the city decide to leave later.



Loan Repayment: The updated pro forma shows that the JPA's projected net revenue and loan repayment schedule is contingent on the number of cities that join over time.

Orange County Energy Authority Projected Net Revenue*



Source: City of Irvine OC CCA Preliminary Pro Forma, Oct. 2020.
Projections by EES Consulting

Source: <https://irvinewatchdog.org/2020/11/13/irvine-city-council-votes-for-three-climate-initiatives-at-nov-10-meeting/>

Employee Benefits Provisions: No CCA has formal Retirement Pension obligations with their staff. On Page 8, Section 3, Clause 16 (3.16), the draft agreement has the language referring to this. If Huntington Beach were to approve the JPA draft agreement, then Huntington Beach staff are not employees of the JPA, and that the JPA board would be negotiating with its own CCE staff on benefits packages separate from CalPERS obligations the city has with its own employees. For Example: starting on Page 125 of their [San Diego Community Power 10.22.2020 Board Packet](#), you can see a CCA Benefits Comparison sheet between San Diego Community Power, Clean Power Alliance (LA/Ventura), Monterey Bay and East Bay Community Energy. No CCAs have retirement pension agreements. Just 401Ks or other plans. The new OC CCE will have less than



10 employees. Hardly an expansive bureaucracy.

**SDCP - CCA Benefits Comparison
As of October 13, 2020**

Benefit Category	San Diego	CPA	MBCP	EBCE
Medical	\$1200/month cafeteria plan \$600/month taxable if opt-out of city plans	Full medical at Kaiser Platinum; dental and vision from 3 rd party providers. Employees pay the difference if they choose a diff option. Cash out option is \$500/mo. Flex spending account (FSA) is offered as an option.	\$1200/month to all employees with 7 insurance carrier options \$600/month taxable added to base salary if opt-out Also optional health reimbursement account and FSA	For executive employees, 100% is covered. \$1250/month for employees who use EBCE coverage. \$600/month taxable salary for those who opt out. FSA also offered
Dental	Included in monthly amount above	As above	As above	Incl in \$1250/month
Vision	Included in monthly amount above	As above	As above	Incl. in \$1250/month
Retirement	10% employer salary match (vested after 3 years); any excess beyond IRS limits go to a 457	403(b) plan with 4% employee contribution. Employer contribution up to 6% of employee salary; employer vesting over 3 years.	401(a); 10% mandatory for employee, 10% match by employer 100% vested on day one	401(a); employer pays 8% of earned income that is vested immediately.
457(b)/Deferred Comp	See above	Employees have the option; max set by IRS	Employees have the option; max set by the IRS	Employees have the option; to facilitate participation, EBCE matches employee contributions up to 6% of salary 50% vesting after 1 year.
Life Insurance	Equal to 1 year salary	Equal to 1 year salary (capped at \$500k) Employees can purchase additional	\$25,000 included in medical plans plus \$175,000 for all employees	Equal to 1 year salary
Disability Insurance	Equal to 60% of salary	L-T insurance equal to 60% of salary S-T disability provided thru CA State short term dis. insurance program	L-T: 70% of salary up to \$10k/mo S-T: 66.66% of salary to max of \$2k/wk	None stated
Time off: Vacation, Sick Leave, PTO, Other	4 weeks annual leave, incl. of sick time 2 weeks exec leave (Director and above)	Start at 80 hrs (2 weeks) annually plus last week of December; no cash out of vacation. After 3 years of service, one additional week.	PTO inclusive of vacation, sick, etc starts at 180 hours/year with an additional 8 hours/year not to exceed 10 years. Balance of PTO is paid to	Vacation - 5 hours/pay period or 120 hrs/year plus 8 hours for each year of employment up to 240 hours max. Sick- 4 hrs/pay period with max 96hrs per

CCE Formation on Fast Track: Irvine and Fullerton are leading up to the first JPA Board meeting to stay on track with the CPUC's timeline. Please do not delay! Irvine staff also need time to update the Final Implementation Plan in time for the JPA Board's Public Hearing meeting ahead of the CPUC Deadline. Huntington Beach may feel rushed, but CCE is not a new topic of discussion, with CCAs serving millions of families over the course of the past decade and a Cal-CCA trade organization helping new CCAs every step along the way towards implementation. In fact, this is how all CCAs have formed, cities rush in a mad dash before the deadline to vote on joining. See San Diego Community Power

Rate Structure: The City Council does not vote on the rate structure. The JPA will vote to approve a new rate structure and send it for approval at the California Public Utilities Commission. None of the CCE staff across the state of California are organized into unions. Just like any city, the CCE will post RFPs for any work and projects that unions will have to compete for with the private sector. CPUC Rules on CCA <https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/general.aspx?id=2567>

Consumer Choice: The Customer has choices every step of the way with CCE. The customer can opt-out any time, and go back to Edison and their higher rates. The customer can choose the energy mix of 34% renewable, 50% renewable and 100% renewable energy. The customer can choose all the time.

Energy Prices: Renewable energy is cheaper than Oil and Gas. Unsubsidized renewable energy is now most frequently the cheapest source of energy generation - Forbes <https://www.forbes.com/sites/jamesellsmoor/2019/06/15/renewable-energy-is-now-the-cheapest-option-even-without-subsidies/?sh=161d15c15a6b>

Conflicts of Interests: City employees will have nothing to do with the CCE. The CCE will have to issue RFPs like any city, and will have a fiduciary duty to select the cost-competitive proposals.



Renewable Energy Laws: The State legislature backs CCAs as the primary pathway towards the 100% renewable portfolio standard goals. The only way to get to 100% is if the Investor Owned Utilities (IOUs) transition to new energy contracts. [SCE's plan is to get to 80% renewable by 2045.](#) CCEs are faster and more nimble. They can transition to 100% renewable energy sooner than 2030.

Long Term Energy Contracts & Impacts to the General Fund: The City Council does not sign any contracts. The JPA Board approves long-term energy contracts that the CCE CEO will negotiate. The JPA's decisions do not impact any member city's General Fund account, whatsoever.

More information can be found at the California Public Utilities Commission www.CPUC.ca.gov, and additional resources may be found at: www.CAL-CCA.org, www.cleanpowerexchange.org, and www.occleanpower.org.

Thank you for your consideration. Myself as well as my team at Climate Action Campaign are available to assist you in any way.

Sincerely,
Jose Trinidad Castaneda III
Orange County Climate & Energy Advocate & Organizer



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Summary of Key Findings in Irvine CCE Feasibility Study

The Irvine CCE Feasibility Study consists of information across 119 pages. Due to the length of the study, we have provided key takeaways in bullet form.

- Local Control and allocation of ratepayer revenues and building program reserves
- Opportunities for long-term procurement to balance/hedge short-term procurement
- Responsiveness to local environmental, social and economic goals
- Funding opportunities for local energy programs and new power generation
- Creating economic opportunities through local jobs, GHG reductions, local renewable developments, supplier diversity, and environmental justice initiatives
- Lower risk profile

The following information is pulled directly from the study.

- Electric retail rates are predicted to be **at least 2%** lower than current SCE rates using extremely conservative modelling parameters and assuming participation rates for residential customers of 95% and non-residential customer participation rates of 90%. These assumptions of customer participation are conservative compared with recent CCE program participation.
- City-wide electricity cost savings are estimated to average about **\$7.7 million per year** for Irvine residents and businesses. Annual City municipal utility account **cost savings are estimated at \$112,000**.
- CCE start-up and working capital costs (estimated at \$10.05 million, and assumed to be financed) **could be fully recovered within the first three years** of CCE operations while still achieving a 2% rate discount compared to SCE's current rates. The city could also choose to recoup costs associated with the Study development and Implementation Plan.
- The Study analyzed CCE rate results under scenarios with high and low participation rates, high and low market power costs, and high and low stranded costs. The findings identify key risks with regard to stranded cost recovery via SCE and power supply. The Study's section on Risks and Sensitivity Analysis describes the magnitude of those risks and measures for mitigating risks.
- The CCE is estimated to have an **average, annual \$3.4 million revenue stream** after start-up and working capital are repaid, as well as financial reserves being met, that can be used for electric customer-related programs.



- The savings to customers under the CCE's rates would drive additional local economic development benefits, such as **85 new jobs** and a total of **\$10 million in annual economic output**.

The following is a chart of participation rates across all CCEs in the State of California. Data provided by <https://cal-cca.org/cca-impact/>

CalCCA Members	Customer Accounts	Est Peak Load (MW)	Participation Rate	Minimum RPS
Apple Valley Choice Energy	25,000	100	89%	37%
CleanPowerSF	376,000	510	97%	40%
Clean Power Alliance	972,500	3,600	95%	36%
East Bay Community Energy	533,000	984	97%	38%
Lancaster Choice Energy	50,000	200	93%	36%
MCE	470,000	1,050	86%	60%
Monterey Bay Community Power	277,000	505	97%	31%
Peninsula Clean Energy	293,000	644	97%	50%
Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy	17,600	60	96%	57%
Pioneer Community Energy	79,500	250	89%	33%
Rancho Mirage Energy Authority	14,500	100	99%	35%
Redwood Coast Energy Authority	62,000	125	93%	40%
San Jacinto Power	14,500	65	92%	41%
San Jose Clean Energy	332,500	1,081	99%	45%
Silicon Valley Clean Energy	270,000	800	97%	50%
Solana Energy Alliance	7,300	13	91%	50%
Sonoma Clean Power	225,000	450	87%	48%
Valley Clean Energy	54,200	219	93%	42%
CalCCA Member Totals	4,073,600	10,760	94%	43%

Orange County Energy Authority - Community Choice Aggregation/Energy - JPA Startup Timeline

Interest in CCE is Born (2017-2018)

05-16-2017 Irvine Green Ribbon Committee - approved Committee work plan, including Climate Action Plan and CCE



09-12-2017 Irvine City Council approved the Green Ribbon Committee's recommendation to put out Request for Proposals (RFP) for two studies. After review, City Staff recommended EES Consulting to complete the CCE feasibility study (\$77,470). The Green Ribbon Committee confirmed staff recommendations and voted to send favorable recommendations to the Finance Commission and City Council.

05-15-2018 Irvine Green Ribbon Committee - CCE Discussion following SCE Presentation on pathway to 80% clean, renewable energy by 2030

06-27-2018 Irvine Businesses, HOAG Health & Edwards LifeSciences, announce press release in support of CCE

09-04-2018 Irvine Finance Commission - Voted to send Staff recommendations to City Council with a favorable approval. Moved by Commissioner Reyno, seconded by Vice Chair Dressler

09-25-2018 Irvine City Council - Votes to approve funding for Feasibility Study

12-10-2018 Irvine Green Ribbon Committee - Request for Review of Feasibility Study

CCE Studies Completed (2019)

06-18-2019 Final draft of Irvine Feasibility Study released

06-24-2019 Irvine Green Ribbon Committee - Unanimous vote in favor to recommend Feasibility Study to Council

08-18-2019 Huntington Beach City Council votes to direct staff to post RFI for Feasibility Study

08-19-2019 Irvine Finance Commission - Feasibility Study review, and Vote to Recommend JPA formation and submit an Implementation Plan to CPUC by December 2020 for Operation by 2022. Moved by Chair Shute and Second by Commissioner Young

10-18-2019 Huntington Beach RFI bid closes with bid from MRW & Associates for \$66,000 and EES Consulting for \$52,150

12-10-2019 City Council Study Session on CCE

- Motion to direct staff to conduct additional analysis internally per staff recommendation, conduct outreach to secure CCE JPA partner cities, including but not limited to Huntington Beach, Costa Mesa, and Yorba Linda, and ask staff to return with recommendations of partner cities and preliminary JPA formation documents no later than May 2020 in preparation to submit a CCE Implementation Plan to CPUC by December 2020.



CCE Business Plan & Agency Formation (2020)

01-10-2020 Irvine Sustainability Staff Sona Coffee begins outreach efforts & JPA invitations to jurisdictions. Letters to all City Council members in all 34 cities are sent.

01-14-2020 Irvine Mayor Protem Michael Carroll CCE Stakeholder Advisory Committee meets to discuss implementation timeline

02-09-2020 Deadline for City response to Irvine request for Letters of Intent to be returned.

05-2020 Staff to draft Implementation Plan for City Council approval

06-2020 Partner cities to agendaize and vote on approval of Implementation Plan

08-2020 Estimated period of Final Approval of proposed Implementation Plan

12-31-2020 Deadline to submit CCE Implementation Plan to California Public Utilities Commission

Procurement and Delivery (2021-2022)

01-2021 The CCE Implementation Plan approved by the California Public Utilities Commission.

01-2021 CCE Agency formed, Board members approved, Staffing begins

02-2021 Solicitation and selection of initial primary power supplier

02-2021 Procurement plan developed and power supplier portfolio expanded

03-2021 CPUC approves Implementation Plan

10-2021 Notice to customers

01-2022 Service to customers begins.

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From: Flossie Horgan <horganf@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 1:21 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: CCE JPA

City Council will look into joining the CCE JPA.

I support such a move as it will benefit the citizens and businesses and not increase the profits of our SCE by a 14.4% rate increase.

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Flossie Horgan
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From: Linda K <lkteamtalk@gmail.com>
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Subject: In Support of Joining Community Choice JPA Now!

Hello,

Thank You Mayor and City Council and staff for all your hard work in this challenging year.

Huntington Beach is my favorite beach since I was 6 years old.

I am writing in support of Huntington Beach joining Irvine and Fullerton in the first Community Choice JPA in Orange County.

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I'm a supporter of clean energy solutions that are also good for business!

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Please consider some of these financial strengths of Community Choice:

It keeps rates competitive, (note SCE plans a rate increase next year).

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A. SCE has requested a 14% increased rate for 2021. Here's the reference for that: <https://www.solarmaxtech.com/blog/p.200224000/southern-california-edison-sce-plans-144-rate-increase-in-2021/>

Community Choice is a revenue builder for every single city in a CCA.

Here is one example:

Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) launched in 2016.

A 5% savings on electricity on their baseline 50% clean energy rate, and for the average customer it is roughly **\$2.00 more per month to select 100% clean energy. That ends up to be a cumulative savings for customers of approximately \$18 million per year.**

Large businesses, including **Facebook** and **Visa**, get **100% clean energy** as a result.

Other Financial Highlights (PCE):

- They expect a **\$186 million dollar net position** at the end of the year, even with the impact of Covid19.

- **200 days of operating cash on hand.**

- **\$7 - \$11 million returned** for community energy programs

(re: 6/15/20 CCA webinar, CRPOC).

<https://www.publicpower.org/periodical/article/moodys-assigns-investment-grade-credit-rating-cca>

<https://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/>

CCA increases opportunities for New Business in Cleantech:

- **Early adoption gives Costa Mesa a lead on drawing cleantech business.**

Cleantech Companies Ride the Sustainable Investing Wave in LA

By [James Cutchin](#)

Monday, July 20, 2020

<https://labusinessjournal.com/news/2020/jul/20/cleantech-companies-sustainable-investing-la/>

"Local government policies and incentives, however, would likely be key in determining where cleantech hubs eventually develop alongside the new investment, according to Hiatt."

If Huntington Beach joins now, the City helps design the JPA:

Cities that join Irvine now, have the most say in the design of the JPA.

Three reasons why cities join JPA's:

- It reduces liability for cities
- It allows for economy of scale in operation and procurement, which increases profit.
- The amount of time and money to invest in initiation of a JPA would be significant.

Four Community Choice Aggregator JPA/Cities Reach High Credit Ratings even during Covid!

Central Coast Community Energy (3CE): Oct 16, 2020: S & P's 'A' Rating. Launched 2018

Marin Clean Energy (MCE), May 2018, August 2020, Fitch BBB+ rating. Up from BBB in 2019.

Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE), July 15, 2020

Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE), May 2019, Peninsula - awarded Fitch BBB+ 2020. Launched 2016

I'm happy to share the sources and more information on anything I've shared.

Thank You!

Linda Kraemer, M.S.

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From: Lisa Swanson <lisainlb@ymail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 1:43 PM
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Support for Community Choice Energy

Dear City Council Members, thank you for your service to our beloved City of Huntington Beach, and thank you for holding a special meeting to consider adopting Resolution No. 2020-87. My name is Lisa Swanson, and I have owned my home at 21332 Compass Lane, Huntington Beach for 11 years. I am a professional chemical engineer registered in the State of California and had a long career in corporate environmental compliance before deciding to take an early retirement in August 2019. I'm a strong proponent of environmental sustainability which is what led me to learn about Community Choice Energy (CCE), but that is not the reason that your vote tonight is so critical and important.

CCE can offer economic relief to our property owners, businesses, and the City through lower electricity rates, and it satisfies several key objectives for the City's future vision. You should adopt Resolution No. 2020-87 for the following reasons:

1. CCE is a revenue builder for cities
2. Electricity rate savings of 2% for EVERY customer (residential, commercial, and government) are predicted.
3. Southern California Edison is requesting a 14.4% rate increase starting in 2021. We need relief from these kind of price hikes!
4. Other cities in CA are already benefiting from CCE so it is proven and will be easy to implement.
5. If action is not taken tonight, the City of Huntington Beach will not have an opportunity to implement CCE any earlier than 2023.
6. If the full financial assessment does not support the predicted significant cost savings, the City has the option to withdraw from the agreement by March 1, 2021 without penalty.

If Huntington Beach joins Irvine this year, we will be involved in the formation of the first Community Choice Authority JPA in Orange County. That is a legacy that I believe every City Council member should be very proud of and hope for your unanimous support.

Regards,
Lisa Swanson
714-851-7523


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Notes
Vote NO on CCE or CCA we don't want it, it's been voted down twice! If council members don't listen to Huntington Beach why are you on our council? This is a sneaky start Mayor and we are watching!

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Robin Estanislau, CMC, City Clerk
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Please consider the HB City Clerk's office for your passport needs!

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Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 2:14 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Estanislau, Robin <Robin.Estanislau@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Council Item on CCE 12/10/20

Honorable Councilmembers:

A decision to join an energy CCE JPA as included in tonight's Council meeting agenda would be a disastrous move. Such an action needs careful study and consideration, and is not appropriate for a special City Council meeting three days after the Councilmembers having been sworn into office. The City can join the JPA at any time if financial analysis and thoughtful consideration finds that there would be benefits to residents.

Steve May
Huntington Beach, CA

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