

From: [Marilyn Palomino](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org](#)
Subject: Agenda Item 23-929
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 3:10:33 PM

I am a resident of Huntington Beach and have resided here for 37 years. I am writing in regard to Agenda Item 23-929 in the special meeting of Huntington Beach City Council on 10/23/2023.

Do not withdraw the City from the Orange County Power Authority. Already over 60,000 households and over 9,000 businesses in Huntington Beach are receiving 100% renewable energy from OCPA.

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Please vote to stay with OCPA. It's the right choice for the citizens.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 10/23/23

Agenda Item No.: 1(23-929)

From: [Linda K](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org](#)
Subject: Re: 23-929 - Please keep energy choice in Huntington Beach
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 5:40:35 PM

To Mayor Strickland and Huntington Beach City Council,

Re: 23-929 Consider selection of Huntington Beach's Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) Default Energy Product Rate for Existing Huntington Beach OCPA Customers

Please do not move forward with actions to withdraw from Orange County Power Authority.

- It removes energy choice for your constituents.
- It reduces market competition for the monopoly investor owned utility.
- It will mean an increase in costs for your Basic Choice customers (currently OCPA cost is 2% less generation costs and expected to remain that way indefinitely).
- It will mean a decrease in choice for clean and renewable energy for all of your residents and businesses.

OCPA's Power Content Label just released proves through certification by State agencies that OCPA's product is much cleaner than SCE's.

The Power Content Label is the standard used to certify all CPUC utilities.

There is simply no reason to end customer choice in your City.

Please reconsider and support a clean, sustainable city and the opportunity for each customer to have maximum electricity choice.

Thank you,

Linda Kraemer
LKTeamTalk@gmail.com

From: [Paula Shawa](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: No on Resolution 2023-55, proposal to withdraw HB from OCPA / Special City Council Mtg. Oct, 23
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 6:18:12 PM

Hello - I am opposed to how this proposal is being managed, as it seems to be very precipitous. What thought is being given to the impact on residents currently enrolled in the program and what will the effect be on the City?

There certainly have been issues with how OCPA is managed, but efforts were underway to get the organization on track. Rushing to exit the pact with OCPA could be costly and lead to litigation. Is any of this being studied or considered?

The impression is that, once again, this extremist majority City Council is rushing forward with actions based on personal opinion, without regard to the overall impact to the City.

Paula Shawa, HB resident

From: [Sheila Ellis](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org](#)
Subject: Resolution 2023-55
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 6:48:12 PM

Hello once again - I understand there will be a special meeting Monday evening to determine whether HB residents shall be removed from OCPA 100% renewable plan without the residents' consent. I am hoping the council will continue to allow the residents to make their own choices. Most of us support free choice and also support renewable energy.

I am unsure as to why this is an issue that requires the city council to insert itself. I urge you to allow residents to determine which energy provider and plan is in their own best interest.

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Sheila Ellis
(She/Her)

From: [Linda Law](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: No on withdrawing from OCPA
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 6:55:31 PM

Dear Council Members,

It is outrageous that the City Council is considering withdrawing from the OCPA. As a 22 year resident of Huntington Beach, I know my family wants cleaner energy, and to choose our energy provider.

Do not touch our 100% renewable choice. That selection was made by over 188,000 OCPA customers and we are proud to be among them.

OCPA's basic choice plan costs less than SCE's equivalent generation rate. This is a win win for electricity customers wanting clean energy and a lower rate.

It is my understanding that the city would have to pay a substantial fine for leaving the OCPA. We were told the city doesn't have any money but the city can afford to pay this fine? Where is the money coming from to pay large fines; establish an unnecessary bureaucracy to review books; pay for a municipal election; pay for frivolous lawsuits against the state; pay to make the city attorney more well paid than the city attorney for Los Angeles.

Thank you for your time.

From: [Joelyn Rabbitt-Sire](mailto:Joelyn.Rabbitt-Sire@surfcity-hb.org)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Fwd: Special Mtg. 10/23/2023
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 12:07:42 AM

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From: **Joelyn Rabbitt-Sire** <joclynsire@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Oct 22, 2023 at 11:58 PM
Subject: Special Mtg. 10/23/2023
To: McKeon, Casey <Casey.McKeon@surfcity-hb.org>, <Gracey.VanDerMark@surfcity-hb.org>, <Pat.Burns@surfcity-hb.org>, Bolton, Rhonda <Rhonda.Bolton@surfcity-hb.org>, Moser, Natalie <Natalie.Moser@surfcity-hb.org>, Kalmick, Dan <Dan.Kalmick@surfcity-hb.org>, <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>, <Tony.Strickland@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Climate Reality Project Orange County <climaterealityprojectoc@gmail.com>

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Please vote to stay with OCPA. It's the right choice for my family and our business. It's the right choice for my fellow citizens. It's the right choice for the City.

Respectfully,

Joelyn Rabbitt-Sire
Resident of Huntington Beach

From: [Amanda Shepherd Yoga](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Keep OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 5:34:15 AM

Dear Council Members:

OCPA is renewable and more affordable. Please don't opt out of it.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/

Amanda Shepherd
20982 Seacoast Cir,
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

From: [Christopher Hilger](mailto:Christopher.Hilger@surfcity-hb.org)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: I am opposed to withdrawal by Huntington Beach from OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 6:34:24 AM

TO: the City Council of Huntington Beach

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Please reconsider your decision to withdraw. The decision to join OCPA was thoroughly and carefully considered. The same care should be taken before any decision to withdraw.

Thank you.

Chris Hilger
Constituent

From: [Carol Daus](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Cc: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\)](#)
Subject: In opposition to Resolution 2023-55
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:04:52 AM

Dear Mayor Strickland and City Council Members:

I am writing to oppose Resolution 2023-55, which would force residents to accept the 38% Basic Choice from the Orange County Power Authority. Opting down to the dirtiest level would generate more pollution and reverse years of progress. It tells Orange County residents that the city of Huntington Beach dismisses climate change and won't take the necessary steps to curtail greenhouse gases for the safety and well-being of our children and grandchildren.

As a beach community that draws tourists from around the world, Huntington Beach should be a leader in climate science, not a denier. Although I'm not a Catholic, I believe Pope Francis stated it well a couple of weeks ago: Everyone should "move beyond the mentality of appearing to be concerned" and to have "the courage needed to produce substantial changes."

Sincerely,

Carol Daus
Huntington Beach resident

From: [Bob Mccann](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\)](#)
Subject: Agenda Item 23-929
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:16:05 AM

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From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Regarding agenda item 23-929 - Orange County Power Authority Default Energy Product
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:07 AM

From: Suzanne Tani <swtani714@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:43 AM
To: Strickland, Tony <Tony.Strickland@surfcity-hb.org>; McKeon, Casey <Casey.McKeon@surfcity-hb.org>; Van Der Mark, Gracey <Gracey.VanDerMark@surfcity-hb.org>; Burns, Pat <Pat.Burns@surfcity-hb.org>; Bolton, Rhonda <Rhonda.Bolton@surfcity-hb.org>; Moser, Natalie <Natalie.Moser@surfcity-hb.org>; Kalmick, Dan <Dan.Kalmick@surfcity-hb.org>; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Regarding agenda item 23-929 - Orange County Power Authority Default Energy Product

To Mayor Strickland and the Huntington Beach City Council,

I urge you to continue to provide residents the OCPA clean energy option. Competition is good for keeping costs down and providing customers with a choice. In this case, clean electricity will reduce the amount of harmful emissions that are released into the atmosphere. Burning fossil fuel has a significant impact on the environment and public health. Please continue to provide us with the option to make the responsible decision to use clean energy.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Tani

From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: No to Leaving OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:18 AM

From: John Bottorff <j@cleaneearth4kids.org>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:11 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: No to Leaving OCPA

Please support renewable energy and a lower rate for residents. The basic rate at OCPA is 2% less than SCE.

Do not take away citizen's choice for clean, renewable energy. Please vote to stay in OCPA.

Thank you,

John Bottorff
CleanEarth4Kids.org
949-439-5459
J@CleanEarth4Kids.org

From: Levin, Shannon
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Oct 23 City Council Meeting- Leave people in their present OCPA plans
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:29 AM

From: c.jackson@ieee.org <c.jackson@ieee.org>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 6:44 AM
To: McKeon, Casey <Casey.McKeon@surfcity-hb.org>; Van Der Mark, Gracey <Gracey.VanDerMark@surfcity-hb.org>; Burns, Pat <Pat.Burns@surfcity-hb.org>; Strickland, Tony <Tony.Strickland@surfcity-hb.org>; Bolton, Rhonda <Rhonda.Bolton@surfcity-hb.org>; Moser, Natalie <Natalie.Moser@surfcity-hb.org>; Kalmick, Dan <Dan.Kalmick@surfcity-hb.org>; CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Oct 23 City Council Meeting- Leave people in their present OCPA plans

Dear Huntington Beach City Council

I'm a 22 year resident of Huntington Beach

I'm asking the City Council to leave residents in their plans.

Why take away the 100% Renewable Choice over 60,000 households and 9,000 businesses are already happy with? They have had the chance to opt out or change their plan.

I'm also asking the City Council to stay with OCPA, they have proven that they can deliver power to Huntington Beach.

Charlie Jackson

From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: I am opposed to withdrawal by Huntington Beach from OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:33 AM

From: Christopher Hilger <antonchh@gmail.com>
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Constituent

From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Keep OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:40 AM

From: Amanda Shepherd Yoga <amandashepherd yoga@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 4:02 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Keep OCPA

Dear Council Members:

OCPA provides more renewable and more affordable energy. Please don't opt out of it.

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Sincerely,

/s/

Amanda Shepherd
20982 Seacoast Cir,
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

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To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
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Joclyn Rabbitt-Sire
Resident of Huntington Beach

From: Levin, Shannon
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: No on withdrawing from OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:51:51 AM

From: Linda Law <lindaklaw@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 22, 2023 6:56 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: No on withdrawing from OCPA

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From: Levin, Shannon
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: We Want Community Choice, We Want Clean Energy, We Want OCPA
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:52:10 AM

From: Fran Delaney <francesbdelaney@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 22, 2023 1:31 PM
Subject: We Want Community Choice, We Want Clean Energy, We Want OCPA

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Thank you,
Fran Delaney-Barron
Resident

From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Public Comment Item 1, Monday, October 23, 2023
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:52:16 AM

From: qw <channelfrequency@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 22, 2023 12:47 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Public Comment Item 1, Monday, October 23, 2023

Item 1 -

Yes to staying on the OCPA at 100% & 38%. I support renewable energy being built on RCI & recycled. The OCPA is not like ENRON. The jokers on the national stage have had their chance.

- Ben P.

From: [Levin, Shannon](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: FW: Agenda #23-929
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:52:26 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Larsson <mlsunsetca@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2023 4:40 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda #23-929

To City Council,

I am happy that City Council has chosen to withdraw from OCPA. Many of my friends in the Harbour made this same decision with regards to our choice with SCE.

Finally some sanity on this issue.

Thank you,

Michelle Larsson
Homeowner/Resident/Taxpayer/Voter

From: [Tristan Miller](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\)](#); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Oct 23 Vote | Items 23-929
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:22:35 AM

Dear City Council,

Please allow residents to decide if they want to stay in OCPA as a majority have stayed in the OCPA and using renewable energy. Please allow them to stay in the top renewable tier and they have made that choice in a free market. Also residents want the freedom of choice as they have with many services.

This allows residents to decide and keep customer choice

Help reduce costs and competition for customers

Allow customers to choose clean energy

Please look at ways to involve residents in this decision as it ultimately is their right to choose

Helps conserve our beautiful beaches and natural resources

Many residents probably do not know this vote is going on and impacts their daily lives

Thank you for service,

Tristan Miller, Business Owner, Parent, Orange County Resident (Newport Beach)
Community Volunteer | Huntington Visitor with Friends in Huntington Beach

[City Council/Public Financing Authority AGENDA for October 23, 2023](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. [23-929](#) Consider selection of Huntington Beach's Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) Default Energy Product Rate for Existing Huntington Beach OCPA Customers

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 2023-55, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Authorizing the City Manager to Withdraw from the Orange County Power Authority," which shall:

- 1) Approve and authorize switching the City of Huntington Beach OCPA customers currently enrolled in the OCPA 100% Renewable Choice Plan to the OCPA Basic Choice Plan (at least 38% Renewable); and
- 2) Authorize the appointed Huntington Beach OCPA Board Member, Councilmember McKeon or his alternate, to request on the City's behalf that OCPA expedite the requested default rate change for existing customers; and
- 3) Authorize the City Manager to effectuate the City's withdrawal from the Orange County Power Authority; and
- 4) Authorize the City Manager to notify OCPA of the City Council's decision and work with

OCPA to give notice to all affected OCPA customers.

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From: terrylaurenrose@gmail.com
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Cc: [Estanislau, Robin](#)
Subject: Opposition to resolution # 2023-55
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:38:03 AM
Importance: High

Terry Rose, 39+ year resident of Huntington Beach, homeowner.

I would like to be on the record for opposing Huntington Beach's withdrawal from the Orange County Power Authority (resolution #2023-55).

OCPA was set up to provide competition to Southern California Edison and to boost demand for renewal energy and away from the use of fossil fuels.

While OCPA got off to a rough start, our city along with the city of Irvine, helped to get it on the right track and some of their rates have proved to be cheaper than SCE's.

It seems to me since the 4 of you, Tony Strickland, Gracey "I'm not a racist" Vandermark, Casey McKeon & Pat Burns, have taken over and destroyed any semblance of democracy while promoting yourselves and ignoring what the citizens of Huntington Beach want, are out to ruin the city's good name and possibly sending us into bankruptcy.

Having attended and spoken at several council meetings, it is obvious that the 4 of you have your own agendas and the rest of us be damned. You don't listen and even if you do, you certainly don't hear what the majority who care enough to attend these meetings are saying.

I also feel that Tony Strickland and Gracey Vandermark are not fit to be on our city council. Here are some of my reasons:

Tony, you have priors when it comes to ignoring your constituents and using your office as a steppingstone. "Hannah-Beth Jackson, who lost the state Senate race to Tony in 2008, is now a political consultant. Jackson said that she is concerned about distractions from his present Senate office. "It's very disappointing that someone would spend millions of dollars to win a senate seat and **not even care enough about his constituents to fulfill his commitment to the people of the district** who desperately need representation," Jackson said."

Nor do you care about paying your bills on time...

And that's not all..." In October 2003, Sacramento County placed a lien on the Stricklands' property in Sacramento as a result of delinquent utility charges in the amount of \$95.95. In April 2004, a second lien was placed on their property by Sacramento County, also for delinquent utility charges in the amount of \$103.88.

In 2004, the Stricklands were three months late in paying their second installment of property taxes for one of their homes in Moorpark. They paid a penalty of \$126.86.

In December 1999, Tony Strickland was sued by the secretary of state over failure to report \$116,140 in late contributions, a violation of the Political Reform Act of 1974. It resulted in a fine of \$6,000."

And it continues..." In April 2010 the California Fair Political Practices Commission decided that Tony Strickland and Strickland for State Senate, a member of the California State Senate, and his candidate-controlled committee sent out a mass mailing without the name of the committee on the outside of the mailing. The Commission levied a \$3,000 fine." (source: Wikipedia)

And there is still more: "Former state Sen. Tony Strickland faces \$80,000 in fines from the California Fair Political Practices Commission for allegedly laundering campaign money in his 2010 bid for California state controller, the commission said this week. Strickland, a Moorpark Republican, lost the race for state controller to John Chiang, a Democrat. Chiang got 55 percent of statewide votes, while Strickland received 36 percent.

The commission alleges Strickland and his campaign illegally funneled money through two county Republican commissions to circumvent campaign donation limits.

Laundering campaign contributions is one of the most serious violations of the 1974 Political Reform Act 'because such conduct circumvents campaign contribution limits, violates disclosure requirements, and deceives the voting public as to the true source of funds,' the state watchdog commission wrote in its report on Strickland.

The five-member independent, nonpartisan commission is scheduled to consider imposing the fines over the allegations when it meets May 19.

The commission stated in its report that 'the evidence shows that Strickland received a total of \$65,000 in contributions from three donors through the Ventura County Republican Party and the Stanislaus County Republican Party.

The donors were Andrew Barth, an investment manager; Matthew Swanson, president of Associated Feed & Supply Co. in Turlock; and William Templeton, a Texas businessman in the oil and gas industry.

'In 2010, VCRP and SCRCP made \$65,000 in contributions to Strickland for Controller,' the commission's report stated. 'However, (the) VCRP and SCRCP were not the true sources of the contributions,' it said, stating that the true sources 'were concealed.'

'Strickland caused Templeton, Barth and Swanson to give \$65,000 in contributions to his campaign illegally through VCRP and SCRCP,' the report stated.

Individuals in 2010 were limited to contributing no more than \$6,500 to a candidate for state controller. But there were no limits on contributions made from a political party county central committee to that candidate, the commission said.

The proposed \$80,000 in fines comes from four alleged violations. The violations are contributions made in the name of another, prohibited earmarked contributions, accepting an over-the-limit contribution and the use of false information in campaign statements. The commission is asking for \$20,000 for each violation.

And so, it ended for Tony Strickland with this resolution: “Former state Sen. Tony Strickland, R-Moorpark, and a campaign committee have paid \$40,000 in penalties to resolve charges by the state Fair Political Practices Commission that they laundered money in his failed 2010 bid for state controller. Under the settlement approved Thursday, Strickland, the Strickland for Controller campaign, and the campaign's treasurer, Lysa Ray, admitted violating California's Political Reform Act. The commission said they illegally funneled \$65,000 through the Republican parties of Ventura and Stanislaus counties to circumvent campaign donation limits.”

Strickland first ran for state controller in 2006, losing to Chiang. **He then ran for the state Senate's 19th District in 2008, beating Hannah-Beth Jackson by 900 votes for the four-year term.** (not very many votes...maybe they should have recounted the votes...maybe there was voter fraud and Hannah-Beth Jackson really won.)

Strickland announced in October the formation of a political advocacy group and super PAC called Strong America PAC. He serves as the group's president and CEO.

One more thing, Tony Strickland has only lived in Huntington Beach since 2018. “Strickland, a former state senator and assemblyman who owns a political and business consulting firm, has since 2018 resided in an 1,800-square-foot condominium on Breezy Lane in the upscale Cape Ann community, which was built for those who qualify to purchase units based on family income limits.”
He doesn't know our city!

They say a leopard doesn't change its spots or a tiger doesn't change its stripes...once a crook, always a crook and the city of Huntington Beach shouldn't have a crook running its city council.

And then there's "I'm not a racist" Gracey Vandermark...also not fit for public office in my opinion.

August 14, 2018: “Gracey Van Der Mark, a woman removed from two school district panels earlier this year after referring to African-Americans as “colored people” in online comments, is now running for a seat on the Ocean View School District board of trustees in Huntington Beach. Tellingly, the candidate didn't write anything about stopping sharia law indoctrination of children in public schools, an Islamophobic conspiracy theory she also promoted on social media.”
School board member Gina Clayton-Tarvin warned constituents about Van Der Mark's pitch to voters. “Gracey Van Der Mark is not the right fit to hold public office, especially one involving young children,” wrote Clayton-Tarvin on her trustee Facebook page. “I implore all voters of OVSD to join me and the Anti-Defamation League in looking deeply into her questionable past and to firmly reject her at the ballot box this November. Our school district does not need an extremist on its board to disrupt the education of our children.”

The controversy over Van Der Mark dates back to last summer when she accompanied an alt-right crew of antisemitic agitators the likes of vlogger Baked Alaska and Augustus Invictus—both scheduled speakers at Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville days later—to disrupt a workshop on white privilege in Santa Monica. Van Der Mark filmed confrontations outside the teach-in and managed to get more footage inside. She uploaded videos from the day on her YouTube channel where the comments section turned into an online RaHoWa.

“This meeting was being ran by the elderly Jewish people who were in there,” Van Der Mark wrote in now-deleted comments. “The colored people were there doing what the elderly Jewish people instructed them to do.” The remarks signaled familiar racist and antisemitic trope where Jews supposedly manipulate racial tensions in the United States to advance against white society. They became cause for contention months later in April shortly after Van Der Mark spoke in support of Huntington Beach city council taking legal action against California’s “sanctuary state” laws for undocumented immigrants.”

I could go on and on about why Gracey isn’t fit to be making decisions for our city but it is 8:36am and I want to make sure this is included in today’s emails to the city council.

Terry Rose
Concerned citizen

From: [Russell Neal](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: OCPA - Council meeting of Oct 23
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:40:20 AM
Attachments: [Global Warming Graph.pptx](#)

I am the Chairman of the OCPA Community Advisory Committee. I am also a licensed electrical and nuclear engineer with two Master's Degrees and 40 years experience in the power industry.

I support the proposed resolution to (1) change the default to Basic Choice for all OCPA accounts and (2) expedite HB's withdrawal from OCPA.

OCPA's Basic Choice plan has achieved zero carbon at lower cost by including nuclear power and large scale hydro in its power mix. This highlights the wisdom of using these sources to achieve zero carbon rather than a hopeless reliance on wind, solar and some kind of unspecified "storage."

CCEs and OCPA exist to increase the uptake of Sacramento defined "renewables" and advance the anthropomorphic global warming (AGW) narrative. The AGW narrative is most likely false and harmful, and HB should not be associated with its promotion.

CO₂, Methane, and other emissions caused by human activity do not appear to actually be driving global warming. Measured temperature rise is an order of magnitude less than that predicted by models which assume CO₂ causation. A slow and steady warming has been occurring for the last 200 years along with a corresponding slow and steady sea level rise and slow and steady CO₂ rise. None of this corresponds to industrialization and increased human production of CO₂. Rather, since the solubility of CO₂ in water drops with increasing temperature, the slow and steady rise in water temperature may be releasing CO₂ into the atmosphere and causing the CO₂ rise; the exact opposite of AGW theory.

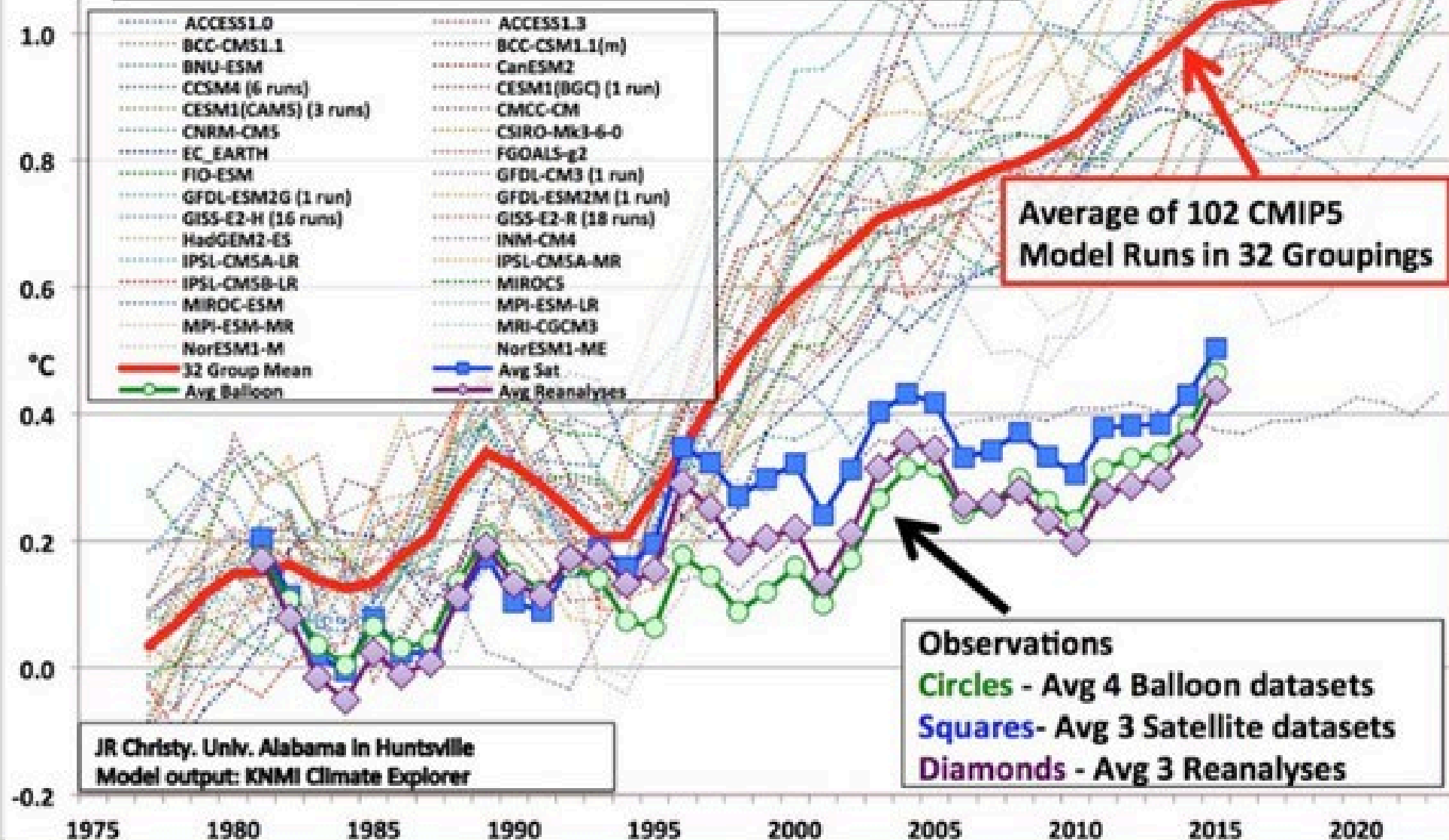
In addition, CO₂ is beneficial for plant growth and feeding humanity. Our world economy is dependent on fossil fuel, and unnecessary restriction of fossil fuel production and use will drive poverty and starvation for the world's most vulnerable. A policy to restrict fossil fuels should therefore require much stronger scientific evidence of AGW and not just group thinking political narratives.

Promoting the AGW narrative is not an area in which HB should want to "show leadership."

Russ Neal
Huntington Beach

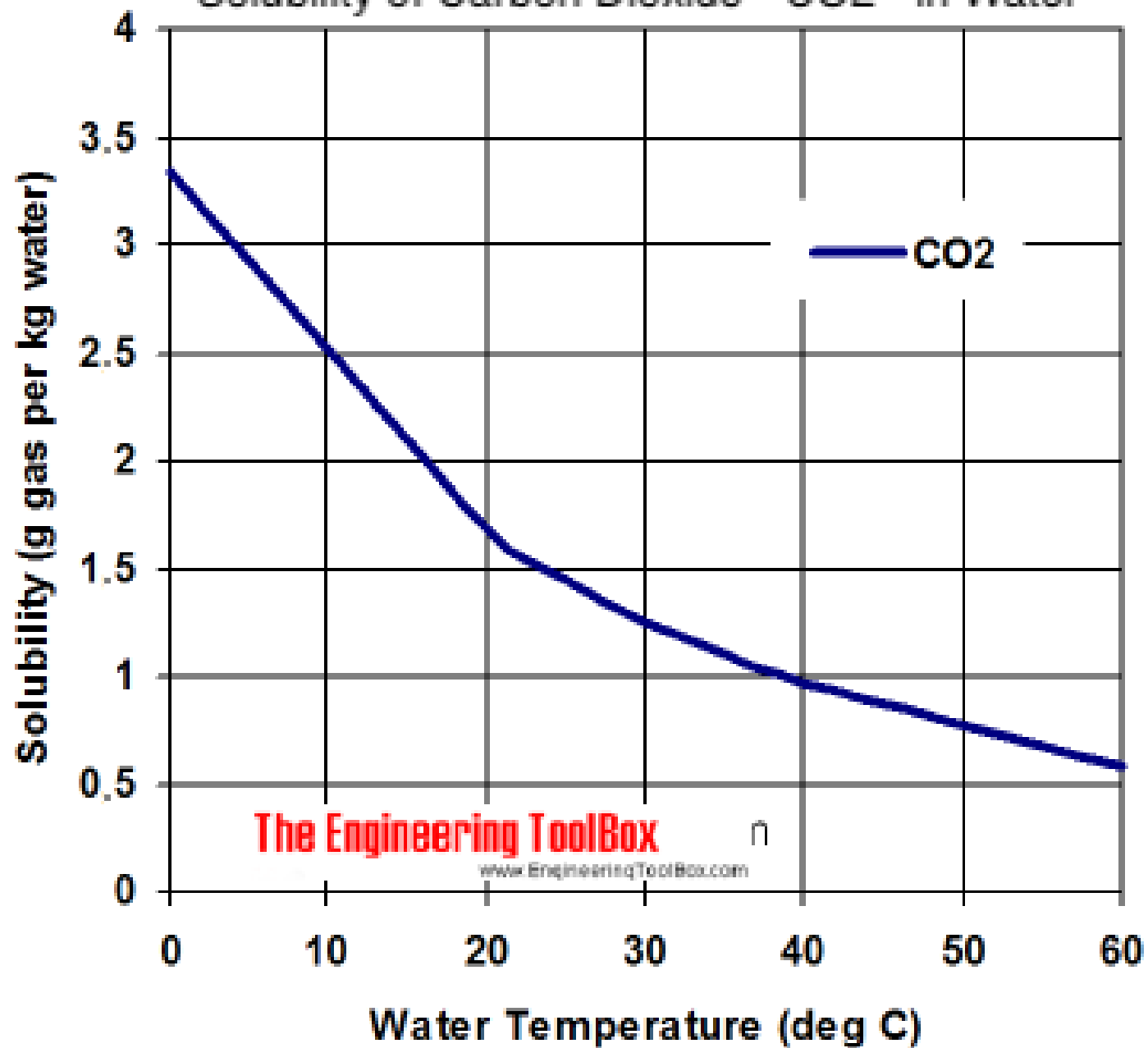
Tropical Mid-Tropospheric Temperature Variations Models vs. Observations

5-Year Averages, 1979-2016 Trend line crosses zero at 1979 for all time series



JR Christy, Univ. Alabama in Huntsville
Model output: KNMI Climate Explorer

Solubility of Carbon Dioxide - CO₂ - in Water



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From: [Susan Eaton](#)
To: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Cc: [CITY COUNCIL \(INCL. CMO STAFF\)](#)
Subject: Item 23-929
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:45:57 AM

Subject: Item 23-020 Consider selection of Huntington Beach's Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) Default Energy Product Rate for Existing Huntington Beach OCPA Customers

I am writing to urge you to not adopt this item. Some of my reasons are:

- Defaulting all residents to the lowest level penalizes those individuals who want to contribute all they can to the reduction of the climate crisis and Community Choice Energy (CCE) through OCPA is a low cost way to make a sizable difference
- It penalizes HB businesses that are searching for ways to become more Green as a good business practice.
- It is a terrific way for HB to meet goals in your required Climate Action Plan. A recent Report Card scored HB at the top of all OC cities in this respect.
- As new Council members elected on a platform of fiscal responsibility, it is irresponsible to expose the City to penalties that may occur from total withdrawal next year.
- In the future when the start-up loan is repaid, any profits will be used for local projects in the member cities on a proportionate basis. At the 100% level, HB has a very large population and would get a large percentage.
- OCPA has implemented all of the recommendations coming out of the audits - some of which were instigated by misinformation.
- There was no evidence of corruption in any of the audits and the recommendations for improvement were primarily directed toward start-up difficulties.
- CCE is a win-win for all! Those who cannot afford a few dollars more/month or who don't believe there is a climate crisis - although there seem to be very few left - could Choose to go to the lowest level and still promote more clean energy to the grid at a lower price than they would be paying to SCE.

I sincerely hope you will consult further with advocates for CCE and promote the work of OCPA.

Stay safe,
Susan Eat

From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Supporting the Option for Clean Energy in Huntington Beach
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:50:47 AM

From: Linda Kersey <ldkersey@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:13 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Supporting the Option for Clean Energy in Huntington Beach

Dear HB City Council,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing as a concerned resident of Huntington Beach to express my strong desire to maintain the option of purchasing clean energy as my electricity source within our city.

As someone who values our environment and believes in the importance of sustainable energy sources, I am excited about the potential benefits this choice can bring to our community. Clean energy options not only reduce our carbon footprint but also offer a range of advantages for our city, including:

1. **Environmental Benefits:** Transitioning to clean energy sources can significantly reduce our greenhouse gas emissions, contributing to cleaner air, water, and a healthier environment for our residents.
2. **Economic Growth:** The development of clean energy infrastructure can lead to job creation and stimulate economic growth within Orange County. This shift towards a cleaner energy mix can attract green technology businesses and investments, benefiting our local economy.
3. **Energy Independence:** By investing in clean energy sources, we can reduce our reliance on fossil fuels, which can be susceptible to price volatility. This independence provides more stability and control over our energy future.
4. **Sustainable Development:** Clean energy aligns with our city's commitment to sustainability and can help meet renewable energy goals, making Huntington Beach a more attractive and forward-thinking place to live and invest in.

I believe that by allowing residents like myself the choice to purchase clean energy, we can collectively take a step in the right direction, demonstrating our dedication to environmental responsibility and a better future for our community.

I kindly request that you and the rest of the City Council consider the preservation of clean energy options in our city and continue supporting initiatives that promote a sustainable and greener Huntington Beach. Your leadership in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time and dedication to the betterment of our city. I look forward to

seeing our community continue to thrive through the adoption of clean energy solutions.

Sincerely,

Linda Kersey,

From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Oct 23 Vote | Items 23-929
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:51:09 AM

From: Tristan Miller <tristan@mansey.com>
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 8:21 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL (INCL. CMO STAFF) <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Oct 23 Vote | Items 23-929

Dear City Council,

Please allow residents to decide if they want to stay in OCPA as a majority have stayed in the OCPA and using renewable energy. Please allow them to stay in the top renewable tier and they have made that choice in a free market. Also residents want the freedom of choice as they have with many services.

This allows residents to decide and keep customer choice
Help reduce costs and competition for customers
Allow customers to choose clean energy
Please look at ways to involve residents in this decision as it ultimately is their right to choose
Helps conserve our beautiful beaches and natural resources
Many residents probably do not know this vote is going on and impacts their daily lives

Thank you for service,

Tristan Miller, Business Owner, Parent, Orange County Resident (Newport Beach)
Community Volunteer | Huntington Visitor with Friends in Huntington Beach

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ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

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1. [23-929](#) Consider selection of Huntington Beach's Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) Default Energy Product Rate for Existing Huntington Beach OCPA Customers

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 2023-55, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Authorizing the City Manager to Withdraw from the Orange County Power Authority," which shall:

- 1) Approve and authorize switching the City of Huntington Beach OCPA customers currently enrolled in the OCPA 100% Renewable Choice Plan to the OCPA Basic Choice Plan (at least 38% Renewable); and

2) Authorize the appointed Huntington Beach OCPA Board Member, Councilmember McKeon or his alternate, to request on the City's behalf that OCPA expedite the requested default rate change for existing customers; and

3) Authorize the City Manager to effectuate the City's withdrawal from the Orange County Power Authority; and

4) Authorize the City Manager to notify OCPA of the City Council's decision and work with OCPA to give notice to all affected OCPA customers.

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