



**DATE:** December 1, 2020

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT:** Adopt a Resolution Designating Council Member Márquez as the City's Representative and Council Member Wahab as the Alternate to the Board of Directors for East Bay Community Energy

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) designating Council Member Márquez as the City's representative and Council Member Wahab as the alternate to the Board of Directors for East Bay Community Energy (EBCE).

### **SUMMARY**

When EBCE was established in 2016, Council Member Mendall was designated as Hayward's representative and Council Member Márquez was designated as Hayward's alternate to the EBCE Board of Directors. With Council Member Mendall's term on Council coming to an end, a new representative for the EBCE Board is needed. At this time, there is no end date to the appointment. However, the Council can reconsider this appointment in two years when the Council next changes its liaison assignments and appointments.

### **BACKGROUND**

EBCE formed in 2016 as a joint powers authority to provide cleaner, greener energy at lower rates than PG&E to Alameda County customers. Council Member Mendall has served as the City's representative on the steering committee prior to the establishment of EBCE, and then on the Board of Directors since the first Board meeting on January 30, 2017. Information about EBCE is available on their website<sup>1</sup>. Staff has provided various reports about EBCE to Council, all of which are available on the City's website<sup>2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ebce.org/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.hayward-ca.gov/your-government/departments/utilities-environmental-services/east-bay-community-energy>

## **DISCUSSION**

The EBCE Board of Directors is comprised of a member of the governing body for each member agency. The joint powers agreement states that the governing body of each member agency shall designate one regular Director and one alternate Director. Staff recommends adoption of the attached resolution designating Council Member Márquez as the City's regular Director and Council Member Wahab as the alternate Director. At this time, there is no end date to the appointment. However, the Council can reconsider this appointment in two years when the Council next changes its liaison assignments and appointments.

## **ECONOMIC IMPACT**

There are no economic impacts to the City with this action.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Board members receive a one-hundred-dollar stipend per meeting when they attend meetings, which is paid by EBCE. As such, there are no fiscal impacts to the City associated with this action.

## **STRATEGIC ROADMAP**

This agenda item is a routine operational item and does not relate to any of the six priorities outlined in the Council's Strategic Roadmap.

## **SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES**

There are no sustainability benefits associated with this specific action, though the City's participation in EBCE is a key strategy for reducing Hayward's greenhouse gas emissions related to energy use.

## **PUBLIC CONTACT**

There is no additional public contact required for this action.

## **NEXT STEPS**

If approved, staff will notify EBCE of Council's action and Council Member Márquez will serve as Hayward's representative at Board meetings beginning in January 2021.

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*Recommended by:* Alex Ameri, Director of Public Works

*Approved by:*

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Kelly McAdoo, City Manager