

City of Duarte
Public Services Commission
July 14, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Teleke led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Riley, Rodriguez, Teleke

Absent: Dalessandro, Tovar

Staff: Rocha

4. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING MATTERS ON THE AGENDA - None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Riley made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Teleke seconded the motion, and it was approved by unanimous vote.

6. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Robert Cruz, Public Affairs Manager, Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas), gave a presentation on SoCalGas' services and work in Duarte.

Mr. Cruz thanked the Commission for allowing him to present the changes in the energy industry and asked staff member Rocha to show a promotional video about SoCalGas' recent work. He then gave the report explaining that SoCalGas is regulated by the CPUC (California Public Utilities Commission) and has in recent years been impacted by many State legislative changes aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Mr. Cruz explained that SoCalGas recently announced its commitment to the goal of achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions in its operations and delivery of energy by 2045. As a part of this initiative, SoCalGas has submitted several hydrogen projects to the U.S. Department of Energy. SoCalGas' H2 Hydrogen Home project will run solely on carbon-free gas made from renewable electricity. The home will be built in the city of Downey and be open to tour. Commissioners unanimously want to tour the home when it is possible.

Mr. Cruz answered questions from the Commission regarding additional hydrogen models around the world, methane gas conversion, how the company handles natural gas leaks, and SB 1383 requirements on SoCalGas.

7. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Riley asked about the cause for an unscheduled power outage that briefly interrupted the commission.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 7:52 PM.