

MIGREENPOWER COMMUNITY IMPACT PILOT
LOW-INCOME SOLAR COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2023

Minutes transcribed from recording by Reilly Butler.

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM by Reilly Butler.

At 11:13 AM Reilly Butler asked the Council for any additions to the meeting agenda. Eddie Smith requested that Resolution 04-2023 be moved as the first agenda item. The Council agreed the addition was acceptable. No additions to the agenda were added.

At 11:14 AM Reilly Butler asked the Council to motion to approve the meeting agenda. Janis Hazel moved and Will Kenworthy seconded the motion. Reilly asked for a vote to approve the meeting agenda for the meeting on December 5, 2023, and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 11:15 AM Eddie Smith shared the intention behind Resolution 04-2023 which is to establish the City of River Rouge Mayor's recommendation of Darryl Folks to be the River Rouge representative for this Council. Eddie stated that a conflict-of-interest check and interview had been conducted. Will Kenworthy moved and Janis Hazel seconded the motion. Reilly asked for a vote to approve Resolution 04-2023, and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 11:16 AM Jack Akinlosotu from the City of Detroit Office of Sustainability joined the meeting as guest. He inquired on a specific funding or number of credits, which there are none. Will Kenworthy clarified that each community would receive around \$100,000 per the Settlement Agreement contributed from DTE Energy. Jack Akinlosotu asked the council if there was a number discussed within the council that we would like to see for on-bill credits. Eddie Smith replied that customers will receive about up to \$400 in credits annually based on the market rate prices for LMP and PRA. Jack Akinlosotu asked if there has been discussion on site locations. Eddie Smith responded that part of the council's efforts has been focused on identifying all vacant land parcels, land owned by DTE Energy and other corporations, county land bank, to identify continuous land that is most cost effective to acquire. The internal DTE team believes that there is not enough value identifying individual land parcels and the developer should be responsible for acquiring land, which will be captured in the request-for-proposal process. A follow-up question asked by Jack Akinlosotu around the land being leased or owned by DTE. Eddie Smith replied that the project must be owned by DTE Energy but there is no restriction on leasing land. Jack Akinlosotu mentioned there are a few potential corporations with land about the city of Detroit as well as applying for the Solar-for-All grant requested funds to enable upgrades to 85,000 homes. In addition to these opportunities, the city of Detroit is also looking at community solar initiatives for around 2,400 citizens. There are currently no details yet as the funds have not yet been awarded. Eddie Smith would like to have Jack Akinlosotu come back for another meeting with additional time. Janis Hazel asked on behalf of a prior

conversation with Jack Akinlosotu about how the people will be qualified and how the credits will be facilitated. Janis Hazel also shared that she talked with Steve Watson to attend the next meeting or early in 2024 as she has heard there is a surplus in the 2024 budget. Eddie Smith requested that we have a brainstorming session offline with Jack Akinlosotu. Reilly Butler responded she will reach out with a follow-up request to meet offline.

At 11:30 AM Reilly Butler asked if there was a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 7, 2023. Will Kenworthy moved, and Juan Shannon seconded the motion. Reilly asked if there were any objections to approving the minutes. Darryl Folks abstained. No objections were stated, and the minutes were approved from the previous meeting held on November 7, 2023.

At 11:32 AM Darryl Folks gave a brief introduction of himself and his goals of joining this council. The council happily welcomed Darryl.

At 11:33 AM Reilly Butler walked the Council through the updated Resolution 01-2023 where there are now two exhibits with 2023 goals and 2024 goals highlighted. Eddie Smith asked to strike the sub-bullets under Exhibit A bullet three. Juan Shannon asked if the fiduciary goal is reasonable for a 2023 goal. Reilly Butler reported that DTE and Eastside Community Network had a great introductory conversation, and a follow-up will take place later in the week to inquire on further conversations. Eddie Smith asked to update the request-for-proposal bullet four under Exhibit B to reflect an execution of the RFP process and a timeline. Reilly Butler asked if there were any further additions or updates to Resolution 01-2023. Juan Shannon asked if the Funding under Exhibit B line item three should be updated to \$5.1 million instead of \$2.1 million, as more funding is going to be needed to maintain and operate each solar array within the pilot. The council unanimously agreed to update the funding goal and Reilly Butler reflected the change in the line item. Reilly Butler asked if there was a motion to approve Resolution 01-2023. Will Kenworthy moved, and Darryl Folks seconded the motion. Reilly Butler asked if there were any objections to approving Resolution 01-2023. No objections were stated, and Resolution 01-2023 was approved.

At 11:44 AM Eddie Smith walked the Council through Resolution 02-2023, where a council member flagged a conflict-of-interest and a resolution to the conflict. A meeting occurred offline with this council member and a structure was created to allow the council member to serve on this Council if this Council does not develop any of the projects on the land owned by a council member. Will Kenworthy asked Juan Shannon if he agreed with this resolution. Juan Shannon replied he agrees. Reilly Butler asked if there was a motion to approve Resolution 02-2023. Will Kenworthy moved, and Darryl Folks seconded the motion. Reilly Butler asked if there were any objections. No objections were stated, and Resolution 02-2023 was approved.

At 11:46 AM Eddie Smith walked the Council through Resolution 03-2023 and how it was created. Eddie Smith shared the DTE team met with the DTE legal team to understand how to get a fiduciary in place. No one on the DTE legal team has any experience or expertise on fiduciary law or non-profit organizations. DTE legal team advised that an outside counsel should be hired to provide necessary experience in fiduciary law and documentation. Eddie Smith shared with the council the idea of this need being recognized as DTE providing an in-kind

contribution as part of its donation to be \$25,000 in-kind legal services hired for outside counsel to create all necessary documents to establish fiduciary agreement and \$875,000 remains split amongst the three pilots. Janis Hazel asked for clarification on DTE Energy's contribution amount. Eddie Smith confirmed DTE Energy would contribute \$300,000 per community. Will Kenworthy shared he understands the need to hire outside counsel and asked if DTE knows the amount outside counsel will cost. Eddie Smith replied that legal costs could be up to \$25,000 and a retainer would be needed. Will Kenworthy asked if the \$25,000 would be from DTE Energy's shareholders and not money from rate base. Eddie Smith confirmed the \$25,000 is from DTE Energy and clarified that the DTE Foundation is prohibited from spending money back to the company. Juan Shannon asked if there was a conflict-of-interest to use the DTE legal team. Eddie Smith replied that the DTE Legal team does not have expertise on creating fiduciary partnerships with non-profit organizations. Reilly Butler asked if there was a motion to approve Resolution 03-2023. Janis Hazel moved and Will Kenworthy seconded the motion. Reilly Butler asked if there were any objections to approving Resolution 03-2023. No objections were stated, and Resolution 03-2023 was approved.

At 12:04 PM Reilly Butler quickly reviewed the Action Register with the Council and with the intention to close out as many actions from 2023 before entering the New Year. Reilly Butler also informed the voting members of the Council that they will receive a DocuSign email to officially sign all of the Resolutions passed today and the official signed copy will be saved on the public facing SharePoint site. Will Kenworthy offered kudos to Janis Hazel on working so diligently to have Jack Akinlosotu attend today's meeting. Janis Hazel asked for confirmation if there was going to be a meeting on December 19, 2023, and Reilly Butler confirmed there will be a meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 PM.