

**First Public Hydrogen Authority
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2025, 2:00 p.m.
City of Lancaster, Council Chambers
44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster CA 93534
Alternate Location:
City of Industry, Council Chambers
15651 Mayor Dave Way, City of Industry, CA 91744**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the First Public Hydrogen Authority (FPH2) was called to order by Vice Chair Ruggles at 2:22 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Board Members: Peacock, Medrano, Hertzberg, Vasquez, Brouwer, Vice Chair Ruggles. Chair Parris was not in attendance.

FLAG SALUTE: Vice Chair Ruggles led the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Consent Calendar

Item 1: Approve Minutes of April 17, 2025, Regular Meeting

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Minutes of April 17, 2025, Regular Board Meeting.

Item 2: Receive and File Treasurer's Report for Period Ended March 31, 2025

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and File Treasurer's Report for period ended March 31, 2025.

Item 3: Consider Adoption of a Resolution Revising the First Public Hydrogen Authority Regular Board Meeting Schedule and Rescinding Resolution No. 2025-001

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution revising the First Public Hydrogen Authority Regular Board meeting schedule and rescinding Resolution No. 2025-001.

Board Member Vasquez pulled Item 3 for discussion.

CEO Jason Caudle presented the staff report and General Counsel Allison Burns answered questions of the Board regarding remote attendance.

Item 4: Consider Adoption of Resolutions Approving Initial Salary Schedule, Position Control Listing and Employee Benefits Package

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolutions approving initial Salary Schedule, Position Control Listing and Employee Benefits Package and authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to execute agreements with Keenan and Associates that implement the Employee Benefits Package, subject to General Counsel Approval.

No requests to speak on the Consent Calendar were received.

Motion by Board Member Hertzberg, second by Board Member Medrano, to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion approved unanimously.

New Business

Item 5: Review and Provide Input into Draft Fiscal Year 2025/26 First Public Hydrogen Authority Budget

RECOMMENDATION

Review and provide input into the Draft Fiscal Year 2025/26 First Public Hydrogen Authority Budget and direct staff to return with the Proposed Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget on June 18, 2025, for adoption.

Chief Executive Officer Jason Caudle presented Draft Fiscal Year 2025/26 FPH2 Budget to the Board.

Board comments/questions included clarification on the Professional Services line item, Vehicle and Fueling Infrastructure, Sponsorships and grants.

Chris Wilson addressed the Board regarding League of California Cities.

Motion by Peacock, second by Board Member Brouwer, to approve the recommended action.

Motion approved unanimously.

Item 6: Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel Updates

General Counsel:

- Discussion of pending RFP and prohibition on communications with potential proposers
- Legal update

RECOMMENDATION

Receive updates from the Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel

CEO Jason Caudle provided an update to the Board of Directors noting the first FPH2 Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued with 53 people receiving the RFP packet and closing date will be May 20, 2025 and reminded the

Board not to discuss with potential bidders, commented on the strategic effort to gain members and market molecules, and commented on the monitoring of 45V.

General Counsel Allison Burns reminded the Board not to discuss the RFP with any of the potential bidders to ensure fairness among bidders.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Addressing the Board was Michael Lewis regarding multiple different energy credits.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

None

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Vice Chair Ruggles adjourned the meeting at 3:01 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Regular Board Meeting June 18, 2025

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Board Secretary

Approved: June 18, 2025