



## STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** January 22, 2025

**PRESENTER:** John Jansons, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Presentation by Reclaim our Power (JAJ)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council hear a presentation by Reclaim our Power about their Utility Justice Campaign, and their next steps in seeking legislation in support of their proposal, with possible direction to staff.

**BACKGROUND:**

Reclaim our Power: Utility Justice Campaign's (Reclaim) is an advocacy group whose focus is taking on California's failed private utility model by pushing for a restructuring of the state's energy system that would meet the needs of our most impacted communities—towards the vision of a new decentralized, democratized energy system in California (**Attachment 'A'**) .

Reclaim is led by frontline community-based organizations. The Campaign's leadership team includes Communities for a Better Environment (CBE), Disability Justice Culture Club (DJCC), Local Clean Energy Alliance (LCEA), Movement Generation Justice and Ecology Project (MG), North Bay Organizing Project (NBOP), People Organizing to Demand Environmental and Economic Rights (PODER), People's Climate Innovation Center, and Youth Vs. Apocalypse (YvA).

Reclaim was referred to Kerman by representatives of the City of Huron who suggested Kerman may be interested in joining this social justice energy campaign. Upon the introduction to City Staff, Reclaim requested an opportunity to present their campaign to City Council.

**DISCUSSION:**

Representative of Reclaim will provide a brief overview of their campaign with a PowerPoint presentation to Council, present a draft resolution (**Attachment 'B'**) that they are seeking from local jurisdictions throughout Pacific Gas and Electric's service territory, and briefly discuss their effort to have legislation sponsored by their supporter, Aisha Wahab, California State Senator, 10th District – Fremont. No bill has been introduced at this time.

Reclaim representative will invite questions from Council and seek Council's further interest.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. City Council may choose to adopt the resolution presented by Reclaim at a future Council meeting, or

2. City Council may choose to await legislation proposed and then consider a position, or
3. City council may choose to not engage in this campaign.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact in receiving the Reclaim presentation.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Reclaim Our Power Overview
- B. Draft Resolution by Reclaim