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Subject: New eComment for City Council Special Meeting: City Council Retreat at The Beach House Hotel - Pacific Room (8am-2pm)

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Tracy Hopkins submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council Special Meeting: City Council Retreat at The Beach House Hotel - Pacific Room (8am-2pm)

Item: REPORT 21-0660 STATUS UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF CITY'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS GOALS (Environmental Programs Manager Doug Krauss)

eComment: RE: Hermosa Beach Municipal Carbon Neutral Plan - Electricity. Page 1 recommends RECs (renewables energy certificates) for achieving carbon neutral goals. AB 1110 legislated RECs* out of existence. RECs are now only used by any load serving entity to meet a small portion of the annual RPS compliance. RECs are not energy, nor do they “reduce” carbon from your energy. Whoever wrote the third paragraph (and other text about RECs) in this “Carbon Neutral Plan” is apparently unaware of clean energy law. Here’s what ARB’s chair writes** about RECs (as employed by CCA). Is our city council being directed, or counseled, by someone who does not comply with California law? Will someone ask if there is any idea who’s selling RECs so heavily to our city? * https://s3-us-west-1.amazonaws.com/themarinpost/doc/2451/CPA_RECs.pdf ** https://s3-us-west-1.amazonaws.com/themarinpost/doc/2451/CPA_RECs.pdf