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Dear local govts and communities, of the SF Bay Area,

My first letter, today, is a revised speech, to the sj city council, Dec.15, item 2.2.

My second letter, I will send, next week. It is a revised, longer letter, initially sent to, EBCE BoD & CAC persons, to follow up, on their December 16, 2020, EBCE BoD meeting.

I am learning, it is important to prepare, local community energy, renewable ideas, as most community projects - within the framework & possibility, of a natural disaster.

I feel, these are subjects, local govt. can already understand, and try to explain, to the everyday public.

I hope my letters, at this time, can help connect yourselves, to each other, as needed.

Sincerely,  
Blair Beekman

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Dear community of San Jose, and city govt.,

The mayor's, recent community energy planning, with new, hydrogen fuel cell storage, and its use of natural gas, may be an interesting trade off, in comparison to, the large amount of carbon pollutants, from the fossil fuel of diesel.

Yet, the continual 24 hr. use, and leakage issues, with the natural gas, in hydrogen fuel cell conversion, and it's overall high costs - does not seem to make this, a large scale, viable option, in the future.

But it may offer, a few choices, to develop as, back-up generator needs, at this time, in the event of a natural disaster.

I hope, the sj mayor, and others, will make it a point, at this time - to always try, to openly talk about, the continual growth & use, of solar power, and its storage capacity.

In the possibility, of a large, Bay Area natural disaster event, like a large earthquake or continual wildfires, in the next 5-10 years - brown energy and dirty fuels, will be demanded, in the following days, weeks, months and years, under the guise, as needed back-up generator use.

I hope, there can simply be, determined, good efforts, from all of us, at this time, to want to continue to build, solar, its storage, and other positive renewable energy ideas, over the next few years.

As this can work to continue, an important, determined, progression, away from diesel, brown energy, and dirty fuels.

In the event, of a large scale, natural disaster, in the SF Bay Area - to invest more, in renewables ideas, at this time, can then offer, a smoother, quicker transition, to return to, a renewable energy course.

As the year, 2023, is considered, an important benchmark, I hope community efforts, of the next few years, will want to continue, to better focus, on local, renewable ideas, and ideas, like Just Transition.

And to better consider, local renewable energy practices, that can include, local procurement & employment.

From all of this, I hope we can simply continue, to learn how, to more openly talk about, and plan for, the many difficult choices & options, of city govt. & community decision making, in the next 5-10 years.

Positive, long term, sustainable, renewable energy practices, and its growing storage capacity - should continue to be, an important focus, for the next few years.

This is the work, of how to prepare ourselves, and continue good efforts, in clear, positive, renewable energy terms, for both, the 1st & 2nd half, of this upcoming decade.

Sincerely,  
Blair Beekman

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