



Los Angeles
Department of
Water & Power

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BOARD LETTER APPROVAL

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DAVID H. WRIGHT
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DATE: January 5, 2017

SUBJECT: LADWP Real Estate Quitclaim of Fifteen LADWP Distribution Easements
(Real Estate File J-15496-177)

SUMMARY

The purpose of the attached Resolution is to authorize and recommend to the Los Angeles City Council (City Council) approval of the execution of a Quitclaim Deed relinquishing fifteen LADWP distribution easements.

An easement is a right to use a real property of another without possessing it. The LADWP owns and utilizes several thousand individual easements for public utility purposes, both within and outside its service area. The easements are an integral part of the Water and Power Systems extensive distribution network. The majority of these easements are dedicated, at no cost, to the City of Los Angeles for use by LADWP.

From time-to-time, individual property owners whose property is encumbered by a LADWP-owned easement will submit an application to the LADWP to formally abandon or "quitclaim" its water and/or power distribution easement. If the Water and/or Power System determines that the easement is not needed, Real Estate Services processes a quitclaim deed through the Board and City Council as required by Charter Section 675 (d)(2).

RECOMMENDATION

It is requested that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners adopt the attached Resolution recommending City Council's approval to quitclaim fifteen LADWP distribution easements as required in Charter Section 373.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

There is no cost to LADWP.

BACKGROUND

The proposed easements to be quitclaimed were voluntarily granted to LADWP and were reviewed by both Water and Power Systems and deemed no longer needed by LADWP; therefore, it is recommended that they be quitclaimed at the established rate of \$6,420 (fees consistent with the City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Engineering) for each item to be paid, in advance, to LADWP by the requestor as follows:

<u>LADWP File No.</u>	<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Council District</u>
W-80915	1	2
P-87017	2	9
W-87721	3	12
P-87781	4	4
P-87892	5	11
P-87946	6	5
P-88198	7	11
P-88374	8	11
P-88564	9	11
P-88613	10	4
P-88677	11	11
P-88813	12	7
P-88975	13	5
P-89263	14	14
P-100071	15	4

The City Administrative Office report has been requested. It is anticipated before the Board meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that this is exempt pursuant to the General Exemption described in CEQA Guidelines, Article III, Class 5(4), Categorical Exemption.

CITY ATTORNEY

The Office of the City Attorney reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form and legality.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution
- Ordinance
- Photos
- CAO Report