

EXEMPTION, ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to an Agreement for the Operation, Maintenance, Replacement, Ownership and Interconnections at Mead Substation between the United States Department of Energy's Western Area Power Authority and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. FIND that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that the Agreement is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060 (c) (2).
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE dated September 10, 2019, approving the Agreement for the Operation, Maintenance, Replacement, Ownership, and Interconnections at Mead Substation between the United States Department of Energy's Western Area Power Authority and the City of Los Angeles, acting by and through the LADWP, DWP No. BP 17-018; and delegating to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board) limited authority to amend said agreement.
 - a. Approve a contractual term of fifty years retroactive from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2067; and delegate limited authority to the Board to act on and approve all future amendments without further approval by the City Council, provided that such amendments do not increase the cost or extend the term.
 - b. Upon proper certification, the Chief Accounting Employee is authorized and directed to draw demands on the Power Revenue Fund, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement attached to the Council file.
3. CONCUR with the Board's action of August 27, 2019, Resolution No. 020-019, approving the Agreement for the Operation, Maintenance, Replacement, Ownership, and Interconnections at Mead Substation between the United States Department of Energy's Western Area Power Authority and the LADWP No. BP 17-018.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that there is no General Fund impact. Approval of the proposed Ordinance and Resolution impacts the Power Revenue Fund annually for the Ownership, Operation, Maintenance and Replacement, and Interconnections at Mead Substation, the use of Common Facilities, and financial responsibilities and sharing of responsibilities. Annual funding will be provided accordingly to support this purpose. The proposed action complies with the City's Financial Policies in that funding is available for this purpose.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on November 5, 2019, the Energy, Climate Change, and

Environmental Justice Committee considered a Board, CAO, and City Attorney reports, Resolution and Ordinance dated September 10, 2019, relative to the approval of the Agreement for the Operation, Maintenance, Replacement, Ownership, and Interconnections at Mead Substation between the United States Department of Energy's Western Area Power Authority and the LADWP.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Board, CAO and City Attorney reports, as detailed above. This matter is now transmitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MARTINEZ:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES

LC 11/05/19

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