

RESOLUTION NO. 22-127

Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Authorizing The City Manager To Pursue A No-Cost Study For Potential Enhancement Of Solar And Battery Energy Systems At Critical Municipal Facilities In Partnership With East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) And Making Findings Of CEQA Exemption Under Section 15061(b)(3)

WHEREAS, the City of Emeryville adopted its first Climate Action Plan in November, 2008 and its second, updated Climate Action Plan in November, 2016, with goals to reduce both municipal and community-scale greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from 2004-2005 baseline levels 25% by 2020, 40% by 2030, and 80% by 2050; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2016, the Emeryville City Council voted to join the East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program, and subsequently appointed representatives to its Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Emeryville City Council has demonstrated its commitment to a sustainable and resilient future through its policy goals and actions, including energy reduction, clean energy programs, and the expansion of local renewable power supply; and

WHEREAS, the City of Emeryville aims to provide sustainable, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities and facilities, creating a resilient, safe, connected and prepared city capable of continuing to be a leader in addressing climate change and protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS, solar and battery energy storage systems provide clean, renewable electricity, reduce time-of-use charges during peak pricing periods, and provide resilience benefits allowing critical facilities to operate on a limited basis during a power outage; and

WHEREAS, this proposal is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the “common sense exemption” at Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposal may have a significant negative effect on the environment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Emeryville that the City Manager is authorized and directed to participate in a study by East Bay Community Energy to evaluate the deployment of solar and battery energy systems at critical municipal facilities.

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ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, September 20, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:	<u>5</u>	Mayor Bauters, Vice Mayor Medina and Council Members Donahue, Martinez, and Welch
NOES:	<u>0</u>	
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>	
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>	

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ATTEST:

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