

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 21-0153

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (“SFPUC”), has been providing electric service to affordable housing projects for decades; and

WHEREAS, In most cases, the SFPUC must obtain wholesale distribution service from Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E”), pursuant to the terms and conditions of PG&E’s Wholesale Distribution Tariff on file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), because the City does not own the electric distribution grid; and

WHEREAS, In the past, for most affordable housing projects the SFPUC has obtained secondary voltage level service from PG&E; and

WHEREAS, In recent years, PG&E has required these and other projects to connect at primary voltage levels, using large, expensive equipment designed for much larger projects; and

WHEREAS, At many of the affordable housing projects being developed in San Francisco, it is both cost-prohibitive and infeasible due to space constraints to install the equipment necessary to obtain primary voltage electric service; and

WHEREAS, The City and PG&E share a goal of supporting the development of high-quality 100 percent affordable housing in San Francisco and providing its residents with affordable electric service that will help protect vulnerable households and strengthen the City’s diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, PG&E has agreed to provide secondary level wholesale distribution service to SFPUC for certain new 100 percent affordable housing projects that are on City-owned land, subject to certain conditions (“Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, The Agreement will enable the SFPUC to provide cost effective electric service to some new affordable housing projects being developed in the next ten to fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, The Agreement does not obligate the SFPUC to expend any City funds; and

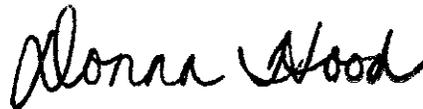
WHEREAS, This action does not constitute a "project" under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 because the proposed Agreement has no potential to result in any physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, This action does not commit the SFPUC to any specific project and any future affordable housing project(s) with a connection under this agreement will be subject to any required environmental review; and

WHEREAS, This Agreement will be submitted to the FERC for approval, if approved by the Board of Supervisors, and will not become effective unless approved by the FERC; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Commission authorizes the General Manager to execute the final agreement with Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E"), for cost-effective distribution service to certain new 100% Affordable Housing projects on City land with a term of 10 years, and an option to extend an additional five years without additional approvals; and authorizes the General Manager to make non-material changes to the agreement that facilitate implementation of the agreement and consistent with its purpose; and authorizes the General Manager to seek Board of Supervisors approval of the agreement.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of September 28, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alonna Wood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Secretary, Public Utilities Commission