

RESOLUTION NUMBER _____ (CCS)

(City Council Series)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA
AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATIONS TO ESTABLISH A
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AGENCY FOR COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION**

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica ("City") has demonstrated its commitment to an environmentally sustainable future through its policy goals and actions, including energy reduction, and clean energy programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica has identified Community Choice Aggregation as a potential strategy to meet local clean energy goals and projected greenhouse gas reduction targets; and

WHEREAS, Community Choice Aggregation is a mechanism by which local governments assume responsibility for providing electrical power for residential and commercial customers in their jurisdiction in partnership with Southern California Edison; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles has determined a countywide Community Choice Aggregation to be technically and financially feasible, and would provide substantial environmental and economic benefits to all residents and businesses in the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors has directed their Chief Executive Officer to work with eligible and interested cities to negotiate the terms and conditions of a joint powers authority document; and

WHEREAS, South Bay Clean Power, a subregional collection of cities of which the City is a participating member, has also initiated a process to negotiate the terms and conditions of a joint powers authority document; and

WHEREAS, the City may participate in both efforts with no obligation to join either joint powers authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby appoints _____, to represent the City of Santa Monica in Community Choice Aggregation joint powers authority agreement negotiations.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is authorized to designate staff representatives and alternate representatives to participate in Community Choice Aggregation negotiations for the City of Santa Monica. In addition to staff time, the City shall not be obligated to expend any City funds, unless separately authorized by the City Council.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby adopts the stated goals and objectives listed below, as a platform for negotiating the best terms possible for the City of Santa Monica's membership:

Goals:

To eliminate carbon emissions from electricity generation sources for the City of Santa Monica by 2050 or sooner.

To accelerate the deployment of energy efficiency and demand response services, distributed energy resources, electric vehicle infrastructure and other clean technologies in the City of Santa Monica and the Los Angeles metro area.

Objectives:

Implement or participate in a community choice energy/aggregation with goals and objectives that are aligned with City of Santa Monica's goals and objectives

Seek to achieve the highest percentage of renewable energy from local sources and the highest level of participation in the community

Ensure that the City of Santa Monica has voting representation that reflects its achievements in energy efficiency, solar and electric vehicles deployment, or population, instead of total electrical load

Ensure that the City of Santa Monica will receive a sustainable and equitable source of funds that will support projects that reduce emissions from energy and fossil fuel use

Ensure that all residents and businesses in the City of Santa Monica will have equitable and affordable access to clean energy and energy services

SECTION 4. The City Manager is authorized to execute the appropriate documents to allow the City to enter into a joint powers authority agreement in order to implement a Community Choice Aggregation for the benefit of Santa Monica residents and businesses.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution, and thenceforth and thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


JOSEPH LAWRENCE
Interim City Attorney