

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA,
CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE
WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE REBATES AND
OTHER INCENTIVES TO ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS AS PART OF AN
ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAM AND THE USE OF REVENUES FROM THE
SALE OF LOW CARBON FUEL STANDARD CREDITS, PUBLIC BENEFITS
CHARGE, ELECTRIC RATES AND OTHER SOURCES TO FUND SAID
ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena has adopted environmental sustainability policies to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gasses and other air pollutants associated with the combustion and use of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the use of electric vehicles, appliances, or equipment in lieu of fossil-fueled alternatives supports the City's environmental sustainability policies; and

WHEREAS, the State's Low Carbon Fuel Standard ("LCFS") is codified in Title 17, Division 3, Chapter 1, Subchapter 10, Article 4, Subarticle 7 of the California Code of Regulations and is administered by the California Air Resources Board ("CARB"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this regulation is to implement a low carbon fuel standard, which will reduce the full fuel-cycle, carbon intensity of the transportation fuel pool used in California, pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Health & Safety Code section 38500 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 9610, adopted by the City Council on December 11, 2017, authorizes the Water and Power Department to participate in the LCFS program to obtain marketable credits for avoided emissions through the use of electricity as a transportation fuel; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 9063 authorizes the General Manager to sell environmental credits in exchange for market value; and

WHEREAS, revenues from the sale of LCFS credits must be used to benefit current or future electric vehicle customers, educate the public on the benefits of and costs of electric vehicle charging, and provide rate options that encourage off-peak charging and minimize the adverse impacts to the electrical grid as specified in the LCFS Regulations adopted by CARB; and

WHEREAS, the Water and Power Department collects revenues from a Public Benefits Charge ("PBC") that is applied to all electricity used by its customers as authorized under Public Utilities Code section 385(a), which specifies that use of PBC revenues shall be limited to: (1) Cost-effective energy efficiency and demand reduction programs; (2) Renewable resources; (3) Research, development and demonstration projects ("RD&D"); and, (4) Rate assistance and energy efficiency services for low income customers; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of funds to encourage the use of electric vehicles, appliances, or equipment in lieu of fossil-fueled alternatives is consistent with the stated purposes and requirements for use of revenues from the PBC and the sale of LCFS credits; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates additional funding sources for electrification programs including revenues from the use of public electric vehicle charging stations, grants, and other sources; and

WHEREAS, additional electric rate revenues from the sale of electricity to customers in lieu of fossil fuel alternatives will benefit all electric customers through lower average electric rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena as follows:

1. The General Manager of the Water and Power Department is hereby authorized to take such actions as necessary or appropriate to develop and implement an electrification program to encourage the use of electric vehicles, appliances, or equipment in lieu of fossil-fueled alternatives.
2. The electrification program shall be funded by a combination of PBC and electric rate revenues, proceeds from the sales of LCFS emissions credits and publicly available electric vehicle charging stations, grants, and other sources. Any expenditures of LCFS revenues shall be consistent with the purposes stated in the CARB LCFS Regulations, and any expenditures of PBC funds shall be consistent with Public Utilities Code section 385(a).
3. The electrification program may include direct investment in electric vehicle charging infrastructure, rebates or other incentives for participating customers, and associated marketing and administrative expenditures.
4. Electrification program qualifications, incentives, and rebate amounts shall be determined by the General Manager based on program economics and budgetary limitations from year to year.
5. As appropriate, the General Manager may review and modify the specific terms and conditions of the electrification program.
6. The General Manager of the Water and Power Department, or his designee, is hereby authorized to determine whether an individual customer is qualified to receive a rebate or other incentive under the electrification program, and request payment of said refunds by the City of Pasadena Director of Finance.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pasadena this ____ day of June, 2018, by the following votes:


AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Lisa Hosey
Deputy City Attorney

Mark Jomsky
City Clerk