

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTINUATION OF ELECTRICITY COMMODITY PURCHASES FROM SHELL ENERGY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PURCHASES

WHEREAS, the California Public Utilities Commission began implementation of Assembly Bill 1890 in 1998 to make the generation of electricity more competitive in California through the creation of “Direct Access Service;” and

WHEREAS, Direct Access allows commercial, industrial, and agricultural customers to purchase electricity from a third-party Electric Service Provider, instead of from the local Investor-Owner Utility; and

WHEREAS, Direct Access allows these customers to potentially negotiate better electricity commodity rates or higher renewable energy power mixes from the open market; and

WHEREAS, City of Chula Vista has four electricity accounts that are under Direct Access Service with Shell Energy; and

WHEREAS, under the contract with Shell Energy, the City “locks-in” electricity procurement rates for certain time periods through a Confirmation Letter to minimize utility cost fluctuations; and

WHEREAS, the City’s current Confirmation Letter and associated rates are expiring; and

WHEREAS, the new rates are similar to last year and approximately 30% lower than historical commodity prices.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Chula Vista does hereby resolve that it:

1. Approves continuation of electricity commodity purchases from Shell Energy, and
2. Authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to execute an up to 1-year Confirmation Letter with rates up to \$44.49 per Megawatt Hour, in the form presented, with such modifications as may be approved or required by the City Attorney, to be kept on file in the office of the City Attorney, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute same.

Presented by

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