



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



May 17, 2022

ITEM TITLE

Loma Verde Recreation Center: Grant of Easement to San Diego Gas and Electric to Provide Utility Services

Report Number: 22-0152

Location: 1420 Loma Lane, Chula Vista

Department: Engineering

Environmental Notice: The Project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 (Existing Facilities), Section 15302 Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction), Section 15303 class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), and Section 15304 Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land).

Recommended Action

Adopt a resolution granting an easement to San Diego Gas and Electric to provide utility services to the new Loma Verde Recreation Center.

SUMMARY

As a part of the construction of the new Loma Verde Recreation Center, a new electric transformer and conduit will need to be installed. This installation requires crossing a property line between City owned parcels and therefore SDG&E has requested that the City grant an easement to SDG&E to install and maintain this facility. Staff recommends that the City Council approve the grant of easement to SDG&E in order to allow for utility service to the new Loma Verde Recreation Center.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed project for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 (Existing Facilities), Section 15302 Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction), Section 15303 class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), and Section 15304 Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land) because the proposed actions would not result in a significant effect on the environment, create a cumulative impact, damage a scenic highway, or cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Thus, no further environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

The replacement for the ageing Loma Verde Recreation Center is currently under construction at 1420 Loma Lane. As a part of this new construction, a new electric transformer and supporting conduit must be installed. This facility will ultimately be maintained and serviced by SDG&E. Because of the location of the available power source, this installation requires crossing a property line between City owned parcels, and therefore SDG&E has requested that the City grant an easement to SDG&E to install and maintain this facility. Staff is recommending that Council approve the grant of the easement.

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the property holdings of the City Council members and has found no property holdings within 1000 feet of the boundaries of the property which is the subject of this action. Consequently, this item does not present a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under California Code of Regulations Title 2, section 18702.2(a)(7) or (8), for purposes of the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code §87100, et seq.).

Staff is not independently aware and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

This item has no ongoing fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Easement Deed

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