ORDINANCE NO. 940

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ordains as follows:

Section 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside has been actively investigating options to procure and provide electric power to citizens with the intent of achieving greater local control and involvement over the provision of electric services, competitive electric rates, the development of clean, local, renewable energy projects and promoting competitively priced renewable energy. An initial analysis concluded that a Community Choice Aggregation Program would serve the County and provide benefits to include the use of local renewable energy at or above the required Renewable Portfolio Standard level while providing economic benefits to the County through lower electric generation rates.

Section 2. AUTHORITY.

- On September 24, 2002, the Governor signed into law Assembly Bill 117 (Stat. 2002, ch. 838; see California Public Utilities Code section 366.2; hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), which authorizes any California city or county, whose governing body so elects, to combine the electricity load of its residents and businesses in a community-wide electricity aggregation program known as Community Choice Aggregation.
- b. Through Docket NO. R.03-10-003, the California Public Utilities Commission has issued various decisions and rulings addressing the implementation of Community Choice Aggregation programs, including the issuance of a procedure by which the California Public Utilities Commission will review "Implementation Plans," which are required for submittal to the California Public Utilities Commission as the means of describing the Community Choice Aggregation Program and assuring compliance with various elements contained in the Act.
- c. The Act requires Community Choice Aggregation program participants to adopt an ordinance electing to implement a Community Choice Aggregation program within the jurisdiction of the local government agency.
- d. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Public Utilities Code sections 218.3, 331.1, 366, 366.2, 381.1, 394, and 394.25, allowing the County of Riverside to establish a Community Choice Aggregation Program.

Section 3. AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM.

The County has developed an Implementation Plan that describes the formation of the Community Choice Aggregation program to be implemented by the County for the purpose of providing electricity choice to eligible electricity accounts in the County's unincorporated area currently served by Southern California Edison. Electric accounts served by the Imperial Irrigation District, Anza Electric Cooperative or a municipal electric system within Riverside County are not included in the Implementation Plan. "Implementation Plan" as defined in this ordinance means the CCA Implementation Plan, Revision 2, prepared by Good Energy, L.P. dated October 18, 2017.

- b. As described in the Implementation Plan, Community Choice Aggregation by and through the County appears to provide a reasonable opportunity to accomplish all of the following goals:
 - 1) To provide greater levels of local involvement in and collaboration on energy decisions.
 - 2) To increase the amount of locally supplied renewable energy available to County residents.
 - 3) To provide initial price stability, long-term electricity cost savings and other benefits for the community when compared to the average corresponding Southern California Edison rate.
 - 4) To develop custom rates for economic development or other purposes.
 - 5) To offer energy services not provided by Southern California Edison, including options for additional renewable energy.
- c. The Board of Supervisors has determined that it is in the public interest and welfare to establish a Community Choice Aggregation Program and the Board authorizes the County proceeding with the implementation of a Community Choice Aggregation program within the unincorporated area of the County, as described in the Implementation Plan.

<u>Section 4.</u> SEVERABILITY. If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

Adopted: Item 9.2 of 11/14/17 (Eff: 12/14/2017)