



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

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December 6, 2016

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
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## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents and any amendments to Contract No. 32368 with Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to continue the Energy Efficiency Partnership Program and extend the term through June 30, 2018. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

The Energy Efficiency Partnership Program (Partnership) is a program provided to municipalities by SCE.

On November 10, 2009, the City Council authorized participation in the Partnership, which provides financial incentives to the City to encourage municipal energy efficiency retrofits, and leverage the City's community outreach capacity to encourage community-wide energy efficiency retrofits and behavior. The amended Partnership agreement approves the Partnership for 2016, and continues it through 2017, as part of the next program cycle.

The Partnership includes the following components:

- Municipal energy efficiency retrofit projects: Identify retrofit opportunities, provide technical assistance and incentives to help implement energy efficiency projects.
- Marketing: Partner with SCE to improve energy efficiency throughout the community through communications or events, identify channels to promote awareness and generate a call-to-action.
- Outreach: Partner with SCE to support community events by providing energy efficiency informational materials and tips that will help the community save energy, money and the environment.
- Education and Training: Partner with SCE to conduct workshops and training designed to meet the specific needs of the Partnership city.

As a participant in the Partnership, the City is responsible for identifying a City energy champion, adopting an Energy Action Plan for immediate and long-term strategies, establishing an energy-savings goal, conducting energy efficiency projects in City facilities, dedicating necessary resources to perform Partnership activities, and educating the community about energy savings.

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SCE's role in the Partnership includes assisting in the development and implementation of the Partnership, providing technical assistance and energy efficiency support for City retrofit projects, assisting in public communication, co-branded messaging, and providing California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) regulatory guidance.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on November 8, 2016 and by Assistant Finance Director Lea Eriksen on November 16, 2016.

### SUSTAINABILITY

The Office of Sustainability has worked with SCE on establishing the Partnership program for the City and has taken a comprehensive approach to ensure all citywide energy efficiency projects are incorporated, including those from the Port of Long Beach, the Long Beach Airport, and the Long Beach Water Department.

By continuing the Partnership with SCE, the City will continue to support energy efficiency and will take advantage of energy savings and demand reduction, thereby saving the City and residents money while supporting the City's sustainability goals.

### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on December 6, 2016, to ensure the partnership agreement with SCE is in place for 2017.

### FISCAL IMPACT

Participation in the Partnership is free; however, the City will use existing staff resources to identify energy efficiency retrofit projects in order to be eligible for the incentives provided through the Partnership. The financial incentives received through the Partnership will be used to augment future energy efficiency projects citywide. The savings derived from energy efficiency retrofit projects will help lower the City's energy bills and help offset energy costs in the General Fund and other funds. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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CITY MANAGER