

Grant of Easement with Southern California Edison on City Owned Property for High Voltage Electrical Services to Power Vehicle Charging Stations located at 1388 South E. Street, San Bernardino

Community and Economic Development

City Council
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BACKGROUND

1. Property at 1388 South E. Street, San Bernardino owned by City and controlled by RPU.
2. City leased property to Holiday Oldsmobile in 1971.
3. Holiday Oldsmobile sold to Center Chevrolet, who then filed for bankruptcy in 2008 which terminated the lease.
4. In 2017 City Council approved lease with Drivetime Car Sales Company who never took possession of property.



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BACKGROUND CONT.

5. On Oct. 12, 2021, City Council approved lease with WattEV, SB1, Inc. for 15-year term.
6. WattEV to operate large electric vehicle charging station, needed to build high voltage electrical infrastructure for station, and worked with SCE.
7. On June 20 ,2023, First Amendment approved to clarify some dates in the agreement.
8. January 23, 2024, City Council voted to approve changes to Resolution No. 23976 – City Council Rules of Procedure and Order of Business. Regularly scheduled meeting of February 20 was cancelled. Urgency of the item is due grand opening of Watt-EV in March 2024.

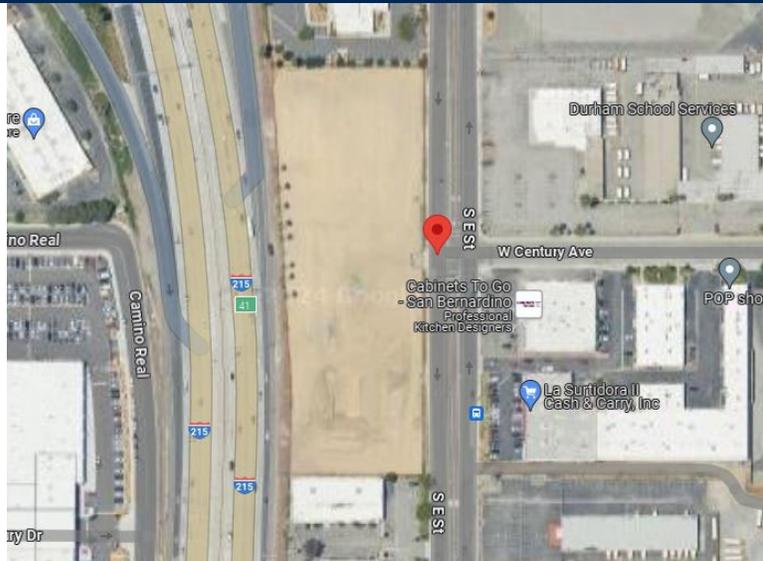


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WATT EV CHARGING SITE



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DISCUSSION

1. On Dec. 6, 2023, WattEV notified City that SCE requires an easement to install and energize the high voltage electric service needed for the charging stations
2. SCE supplied Grant of Easement and easement plat map
3. Staff reviewed easement and plat and concur with both



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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

 **Strategic Priority 6 - Infrastructure, Mobility and Connectivity**

Goal 6.2 – Maintain, protect, and improve assets and infrastructure within the City’s built environment to ensure and enhance reliability, resiliency, sustainability, and facilitate connectivity.

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council:

1. Approve a Grant of Easement with Southern California Edison Company and;
2. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Grant of Easement with Southern California Edison, a corporation, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction.



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