

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – RIVERSIDE ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT

Public Utilities Department

City Council May 18, 2021

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UCR ENERGY USAGE

- 1. The University of California, Riverside (UCR) is RPU's largest customer and as such, uses approximately 5% of the total energy used within the service territory
- 2. UCR maintains their own electric infrastructure within the campus and distributes power independently throughout the campus



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UCR CONTRACT HISTORY

1. First Strategic Energy Agreement in 1998

- a) Agreement amended several times
- b) Expired in October 2019

2. Previous Agreements addressed:

- a) Electric Rate and renewable energy
- b) Physical infrastructure including the University Substation
- c) Technical support services
- d) Energy efficiency and other programs
- e) Collaboration efforts



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UCR'S FUTURE ENERGY NEEDS

- 1. This new Agreement will focus on UCR's ongoing and future energy needs in the areas of:
 - a) Collaboration on sustainability initiatives
 - b) Joint marketing and communications
 - c) Technical assistance in identifying energy efficiency projects
 - d) Rebate assistance in energy efficiency projects
- 2. Removing unnecessary or technically separate areas:
 - a) Physical infrastructure
 - b) Rate/renewable energy

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NEW AGREEMENT INCENTIVES

1. Enhanced collaboration

a) Working together to identify on-campus renewable and distributed generation projects

2. Joint marketing support

- a) RPU and UCR will work together to promote sustainability and conservation goals via:
 - i. Joint press releases and marketing campaigns
 - ii. Student education
 - iii. Community outreach



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3. Technical assistance

a) Through the existing KEEP program, RPU will facilitate audits of University facilities to develop both an overall energy plan for the campus and identification of individual energy efficiency projects with market costs and ROI's

4. Rebate assistance

- a) UCR will be eligible for rebate funds through RPU's standard commercial incentive programs
- b) Rebates will be capped at \$750,000 annually through RPU's existing commercial rebate programs



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

- Approve an Electric Service Agreement between the City of Riverside and the University of California Riverside to provide electric services as stipulated in the Agreement; and
- 2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the agreement including making minor and non-substantive changes.



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