

RESOLUTION NO. 24224

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, REAFFIRMING THE POLICY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENT, DEVELOPMENT, EXTENSION, AND/OR RELOCATION OF ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND EXCEPTING CERTAIN TYPES OF UTILITY PROJECTS FROM SECTION 1109 OF THE RIVERSIDE CITY CHARTER, AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 15507.

WHEREAS, Section 1109 of the Charter of the City of Riverside provides that every project for the construction of public works with expenditures in excess of the amount set forth in said Section 1109 be let by contract to the lowest responsible bidder, and further provides that projects for the construction and/or improvement of any public utility operated by the City may be excepted from said Section 1109 provided the City Council so determines by at least five affirmative votes; and

WHEREAS, the prudent operation of utilities requires that a well-trained work force which can be supplemented by contract workers be available at all times in the Electric and Water Utilities as required to construct and/or improve utility infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, in the efficient operation of the Electric and Water Utilities, it is necessary to perform both scheduled and unscheduled work in order to construct, replace, develop, extend, and/or relocate utility infrastructure in connection with new customer service, public works projects, and other projects; and

WHEREAS, the economics of constructing and/or improving the Electric and Water Utility infrastructure with a work force employed on a full-time continuous basis supplemented by contract workers employed on an intermittent basis, as required, represents the most effective and economical utilization of resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby excepts from the requirements of Section 1109 of the City Charter the following types of projects for the construction and/or improvement of the Electric and Water Utilities:

Electric Utility

- (1) The construction, replacement, development, extension, and/or relocation of all overhead and underground communication and control circuits and electrical distribution and

transmission facilities, together with all related appurtenances and ancillary devices up to and including the meter.

(2) Projects related to the construction, replacement, development, and/or relocation of electrical substations and other electric utility facilities.

(3) The installation of mast arm streetlights on utility poles and replacement of existing luminaires and streetlight standards, together with all related appurtenances and ancillary devices.

(4) Any project required to restore or maintain electric service under emergency conditions.

Water Utility

(1) The construction, replacement, development, extension, and/or relocation of the distribution system, consisting of all water mains 12-inches in diameter and smaller, together with all related appurtenances such as fire hydrants, vaults, valves, fittings, service laterals, meters, and ancillary devices.

(2) The connecting into the water system of projects constructed by contract, such as reservoirs, transmission mains, pumping plants, groundwater wells, pressure reducing stations, water treatment facilities, and other water utility facilities.

(3) Projects related to the construction, replacement, development, and/or relocation of tanks, water treatment facilities, pumps, wells, pressure reducing stations, and other water utility facilities.

(4) Any project required to restore or maintain water service under emergency conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. 15507 of the City of Riverside is hereby repealed and that this resolution shall remain in full force and effect until such time it is repealed through an official action of the City Council.

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1 ADOPTED by the City Council this 25th day of February, 2025.

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4 PATRICIA LOCK-DAWSON
Mayor of the City of Riverside

5 Attest: 
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7 DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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9 I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
10 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at
11 its meeting held on the 25th day of February, 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

12 Ayes: Falcone, Cervantes, Robillard, Conder, Mill, Perry and Hemenway
13 Noes:
14 Absent:
15 Abstain:

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the
17 City of Riverside, California, this 28th day of February, 2025.

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20 Donesia Gause
City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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