



# RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES 2026 PHYSICAL SECURITY PLAN

## Riverside Public Utilities

**City Council**  
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## BACKGROUND

1. RPU prepared a Physical Security Plan in compliance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 19-01-018.
2. Decision 19-01-018 implements Senate Bill 699, which amended Public Utilities Code Section 364 to strengthen the security and resilience of qualifying electric distribution grid assets with regional significance.
3. Because the Plan contains sensitive infrastructure information, this presentation provides only a high-level summary.



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## BACKGROUND

1. NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection standards, including CIP-014, establish physical security requirements for certain bulk electric system facilities.
2. Plan applies the CPUC's seven screening factors to identify distribution substations with regional significance.
3. The screening includes substations that serve critical regional facilities.
4. Based on that review, four substations met the criteria and are addressed in the Plan.



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## DISCUSSION

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2. The screening includes substations that serve critical regional facilities.
3. Based on that review, four substations met the criteria and are addressed in the Plan.
4. The Plan evaluates physical security risks and vulnerabilities, and outlines measures to reduce those risks, strengthen site security, and improve overall resiliency.



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## DISCUSSION

1. The Decision requires an independent review by a qualified third party.
2. RPU selected the Riverside Police Department (RPD) to conduct that review.
3. RPD brings local knowledge of the Riverside community, public safety operations, and the local threat environment.



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## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Approve and adopt of the Riverside Public Utilities 2026 Physical Security Plan in accordance with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Decision 19-01-018 (implementing Senate Bill 699), and authorize submittal of the required notice to the CPUC; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to file with the California Public Utilities Commission a written Notice of Adoption of Final Security Plan.



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