



# **PROGRAM ORDER OF THE MASTER INTER-UTILITY AGREEMENT WITH SO CAL GAS - PROGRAM COSTS FOR JULY TO DECEMBER 2023**

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## **Customer Engagement**

**Board of Public Utilities**

June 12, 2023

# BACKGROUND

1. 2012: RPU and SoCal Gas entered into Inter-Utility Agreement to create the Energy Savings Assistance Program (ESAP)
  - (a) No-cost energy and gas efficiency program for qualifying low-income customers
2. 2020: Program suspended March 2020 in response to COVID-19
3. 2022: RPU and SoCal Gas Amended and Restated the Agreement to extend the program to 2023/24
  - (a) When Agreement was approved, term did not align with the fiscal year

# BACKGROUND

## 4. Co-branded partnership to provide free:

- A. Attic and wall insulation
- B. Weather-stripping and caulking
- C. Faucet aerators
- D. Showerheads
- E. LED lighting
- F. Air-conditioning tune-ups



# DISCUSSION

- On January 24, 2022, the Board approved to recommend that the City Council approve the Amended and Restated Master Inter-Utility Agreement with So Cal Gas for \$500,000 through fiscal year 2022/23. On February 8, 2022, the City Council approved the Master Inter-Utility Agreement with SoCal Gas for \$500,000 for fiscal years 2021/22 and 2022/23.
- The terms of the approved Master Inter-Utility Agreement are through December 31, 2023. Additional approvals are required for program expenditures from **July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.**



# DISCUSSION

Fiscal Year	FY 19-20	FY 21-22	FY 22-23
Homes Served	1,286	456	613
KWH Saved	2,120,768	642,570	760,605
Program Expenditures	\$ 591,162	\$ 313,942	\$ 385,040
Cost per kWh Saved	0.28	0.44	0.46
	12 months	4 months	9 months

Participation is projected to remain consistent, and as the current Agreement will end in December 2023, the request for funding only reflects a six-month period at \$250,000.



# STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT



## Strategic Priority 4 - Environmental Stewardship

Program deliverables will focus on helping customers maximize energy efficiency practices and support the Priority goals of championing proactive and equitable climate solutions based in science to ensure clean air, safe water, a vibrant natural world and a resilient green new economy for current and future generations.

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### Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation

# RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council approve an expenditure amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the Program Order of the Master Inter-Utility Agreement between Southern California Gas company and Riverside Public Utilities for Energy Efficiency, Resource Savings, and Related Activities for July 1, 2023 until December 31, 2023.