

CITY OF SANTA ROSA  
BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

TO: CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS  
FROM: JILL SCOTT, REAL ESTATE MANAGER  
SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL TO APPROVE GRANT  
OF EASEMENT TO PG&E OVER A PORTION OF CITY OWNED  
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5035 HARVILLE ROAD

AGENDA ACTION: MOTION

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water and Real Estate Services that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, recommend that City Council approve the grant of an approximately 75 square foot easement to Pacific Gas and Electric Company (“PG&E”) and authorize the Assistant City Manager to execute the Easement Deed. This item has no impact on current fiscal year budget.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has requested a 75 square foot easement on City property located at 5035 Harville Road, Water Reservoir 6, for purposes of relocating an anchor on an existing electric distribution pole through its Electric Distribution Project. This project supports PG&E’s continuing effort to provide safe and reliable electric service to the community.

BACKGROUND

PG&E previously located an anchor on City owned property located at 5035 Harville Road, without the necessary rights to do so. City staff and PG&E have met on site and identified a more suitable location for the necessary anchor to be relocated. PG&E is now requesting the grant of an easement to include the right to install anchors, guy wires and cables, guy stubs and fixtures and to manage vegetation in the proposed easement area as deemed necessary to maintain the stability of an existing electric distribution pole located in the adjacent public right of way.

PRIOR BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REVIEW

Not applicable.

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ANALYSIS

PG&E is requesting the grant of an easement to include the right to install anchors, guy wires and cables, guy stubs and fixtures and to manage vegetation within the easement area.

Staff have met with PG&E on site and have concluded that the requested easement will not hinder operations of Water Reservoir 6 in any way and there are no current or future plans for any City Water operations in the easement area.

The value to the City for the new easement has been determined to be \$500 plus staff costs.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no foreseeable fiscal impact to the City. PG&E will compensate the City a total of \$500 for the conveyance, plus the cost of staff time and expense.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(b) (Class 1 – Existing Facilities), which provides an exemption for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed action consists of granting an approximately 75 square foot easement to Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to relocate an anchor and associated appurtenances (including guy wires, cables, and related fixtures) for an existing electric distribution pole located in the adjacent public right-of-way. The easement would formalize and allow minor modifications to existing utility infrastructure to support safe and reliable electric service, with no expansion of use and no increase in capacity beyond existing conditions. The proposed action does not involve new utility lines, extension of service, or expansion of infrastructure capacity, and any associated work would be limited to minor ground disturbance within an existing developed site.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

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- Exhibit A (Easement Deed)

PRESENTER

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