



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

FROM: Trish Rhay, Assistant Director of Public Works
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DATE: October 13, 2016

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION

ATTACHMENTS: None

At the August 2016, Public Works Commission meeting, staff provided an update on the County of Los Angeles's efforts to form a community choice aggregator (CCA) in Los Angeles County. Staff provided a high-level overview of the Business Plan and Feasibility Study for the County of Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) community choice aggregator and presented several alternatives for next steps. These included joining a Los Angeles County CCA, creating a CCA with a smaller group of cities, or creating a single-city CCA. The Public Works Commission recommended that staff continue to follow the efforts of the Los Angeles County CCA, as well as any efforts to form a CCA with a smaller group of cities.

The County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors considered the Los Angeles County Business Plan and Feasibility Study at its Board meeting on September 27, 2016. Based on the conclusion identified in the Business Plan and Feasibility Study that a Countywide CCA would be financially viable and that it would yield considerable financial and environmental benefits for the County residents and businesses, the Board of Supervisors concurred that a Countywide CCA – including local cities – would provide maximum benefits in creating a CCA. As such, the Board directed its staff to complete the following:

- 1) Negotiate a joint-powers authority (JPA) and governance structure for the County of Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) community choice aggregator with individual authorized to represent interested and eligible cities;
- 2) Negotiate the JPA until the document is complete, with a target deadline of six months from Board approval;
- 3) Present the negotiated JPA, proposed governance structure, recommended funding source for start-up costs, recommendations for staffing, the benefits and risks associated with creating and launching LACCE, and the final steps the County and interested cities must take to join LACCE.

Next Steps

Public Works staff will present to the City Council at an upcoming meeting for direction on whether the City would like to designate an individual eligible to negotiate a JPA and governance structure with the County of Los Angeles and other participating cities.