

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board

Adopted this Resolution on 11/01/2016 by the following vote:

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NO:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSE:



Resolution No. 2016/581

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY IN THE CSCDA OPEN PACE PROGRAM KNOWN AS THE CALIFORNIAFIRST PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND LEVY CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) is implementing Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs, which it has designated CSCDA Open PACE, consisting of PACE programs each administered by a separate program administrator (collectively with any successors, assigns, replacements or additions, the "Programs"), to allow the financing or refinancing of renewable energy, energy efficiency, water efficiency and seismic strengthening improvements, electric vehicle charging infrastructure and such other improvements, infrastructure or other work as may be authorized by law from time to time (collectively, the "Improvements") through the levy of contractual assessments pursuant to Chapter 29 of Division 7 of the Streets & Highways Code ("Chapter 29") within the counties and cities throughout the State of California that consent to the inclusion of properties within their respective territories in the Programs and the issuance of bonds from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the program administrators currently active in administering CSCDA Open PACE programs are the AllianceNRG Program (presently consisting of CounterPointe Energy Solutions LLC and Leidos Engineering , LLC), PACE Funding LLC, Renew Financial Group LLC, CleanFund Commercial PAC Capital and Spruce Finance and the Authority will notify the County in advance of any additions or changes; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 29 provides that assessments may be levied under its provisions only with the free and willing consent of the owner or owners of each lot or parcel on which an assessment is levied at the time the assessment is levied; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to allow the owners of property ("Participating Property Owners") within its jurisdiction to participate in the CaliforniaFirst PACE program administered by Renew Financial Group LLC and to allow the Authority to conduct assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 within its jurisdiction and to issue bonds to finance or refinance improvements; and

WHEREAS, the territory within which assessments may be levied for the CaliforniaFirst PACE program administered by Renew Financial Group LLC shall include all of the unincorporated area within the County's official boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Authority will conduct all assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 for the Programs and issue any bonds issued in connection with the Programs; and

WHEREAS, the County will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale, or administration of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County as follows:

Section 1. This Board of Supervisors hereby finds and declares that properties in the jurisdiction of the County will benefit from the availability of the CaliforniaFirst program within the jurisdiction of the County and, pursuant thereto, the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance improvements.

This resolution shall only authorize the PACE Program administered by Renew Financial Group LLC, known as the CaliforniaFirst Program, to be available within the unincorporated area of Contra Costa County. Other program administrators under the Open PACE program may be made available by the County by adoption of a separate authorizing resolution.

Section 2. In Connection with the CaliforniaFirst PACE program, the County hereby consents to the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 on any property within the jurisdiction of the County and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that

1. The Participating Property Owners, who shall be the legal owners of such property, execute a contract pursuant to Chapter 29 and comply with other applicable provisions of California law in order to accomplish the valid levy of assessment; and
2. The County will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale or administration of any bonds issues in connection with the Programs.

Section 3. The following staff persons, together with any other staff persons chosen by the Conservation and Development Director of the County from time to time, are hereby designated as the contact persons for the Authority in connection with the Programs: Jason Crapo, Deputy Director.

Section 4. The appropriate officials and staff of the County are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such certificates, requisitions, agreements and related documents as are reasonably required by the Authority to implement the Programs.

Section 5. The Board of Supervisors hereby finds that adoption of this Resolution is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act, because the Resolution is a government fiscal activity that does not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, as contemplated by Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378(b)(4).

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Authority at: Secretary of the Board, California Statewide Communities Development Authority, 1400 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 1, 2016

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Contact: Jason Crapo, 925-674-7722

By: , Deputy

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