RESOLUTION NO. 2017-222

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION IN THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OPEN PACE PROGRAMS; AUTHORIZING THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND LEVY CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Communities Development; Authority (the "Authority") is a joint exercise of powers authority, the members of which include over 250 cities and counties in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is implementing Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs, which it has designated CSCDA Open PACE, consisting of CSCDA Open 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 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 Programs are AllianceNRG Program (CounterPointe Energy Solutions (CA) LLC), CaliforniaFirst (Renew Financial Group LLC), PACE Funding Group LLC, CleanFund Commercial PACE Capital and Spruce Pace LLC, and the Authority will notify the City in advance of any additions or changes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elk Grove (the "City") is committed to development of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency improvements, reduction of greenhouse gases, protection of our environment, and reversal of climate change; and

WHEREAS, in Chapter 29, the Legislature has authorized cities and counties to assist property owners in financing the cost of installing improvements through voluntary contractual assessment program, and 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 City wishes to provide innovative solutions to its property owners to achieve energy and water efficiency and independence, and in doing so cooperate with Authority in order to efficiently and economically assist property owners within the City in financing such Improvements; and

- WHEREAS, the City desires to allow the owners of property ("Participating Property Owners") within its territory to participate in the Programs and to allow the Authority to conduct assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 within its territory and to issue bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; and
- **WHEREAS**, the territory within which assessments may be levied for the Programs shall include all of the territory within the City'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 City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy and collection of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale, administration repayment or guarantee of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove as follows:
- Section 1. This City Council hereby finds and declares that the foregoing recitals are true and correct.
- Section 2. This City Council hereby finds and declares that properties in the territory of the City will benefit from the availability of the Programs within the territory of the City 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.
- Section 3. In connection with the Programs, the City hereby consents to the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 on any property within the territory of the City 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 assessments; and
 - (2) The City 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, administration, repayment or guarantee of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs.

<u>Section 4</u>. The City staff is authorized and directed to make applications for the Programs available to all property owners who wish to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that the Authority shall be responsible for providing such applications and related materials at its own expense.

Section 5. The City staff is 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 6. The City Council hereby finds that adoption of this Resolution is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act, because the Resolution 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 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Financial Advisor of the Authority at: Secretary of the Board, California Statewide Communities Development Authority, 1400 K Street, Sacramento CA 95814.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 13th day of September 2017.

STEVE LY, MAYOR of the CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:

JASON LINDGREN, SITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JONATHAN P. HOBBS, CITY ATTORNEY

CERTIFICATION ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2017-222

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)	SS
CITY OF ELK GROVE)	

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on September 13, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Ly, Hume, Nguyen, Suen

NOES:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

None

ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Detrick

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk City of Elk Grove, California