



## Agenda Report

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**File #:** 19-0415

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### **AGENDA REPORT REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

**DATE:** May 1, 2019

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Public Works Department

**SUBJECT:**

City Council consideration of two Grant of Easements to Southern California Edison on D Street west of South Lincoln Avenue; and Pomona Road at North Lincoln Avenue - Riverside County Transportation Commission.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute two Grant of Easements to Southern California Edison on D Street west of South Lincoln Avenue; and Pomona Road at North Lincoln Avenue for facilities relocated in connection with the State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project.

**ANALYSIS:**

Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), the lead agency for the State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project (Project), is requesting that the City grant two easements to Southern California Edison (SCE) to provide adequate replacement rights for relocated facilities, as shown in Exhibit "C." The proposed easements will be located within public street right-of-way on D Street west of South Lincoln Avenue; and Pomona Road at North Lincoln Avenue, as shown on Exhibits "D" and "E."

At both locations, the old SCE facilities were located immediately adjacent to the State Route 91 (SR-91). The original powerlines that served the Corona del Rey Apartment complex were located between the SR-91 and the private street shown as C Street on Exhibit "D." The Project proposed the widening of the SR-91 East Lincoln Avenue off-ramp and resulted in the need for these facilities to be relocated. The original powerlines that served the businesses on the southeast corner of Pomona Road and North Lincoln Avenue were located immediately adjacent to the old freeway's right-of-way. As stated in the letter from RCTC, for each situation a reasonable alternative relocation plan was considered to avoid the requirement for City easements within the street right-of-way and were later deemed technically infeasible.

City staff has evaluated the potential for City improvements and street widening in each location and have determined that the likelihood of a City planned project triggering the need to relocate these SCE facilities to be low. Both locations are fully developed on both sides of the street and there is no planned Capital Improvement Project for widening in either location. Additionally, on Pomona Road, there are no master planned storm drain or utilities proposed at this time that would require the underground SCE facilities to be relocated.

Therefore, the potential impact to the City is low and City staff recommends that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute the Grant of Easements to SCE attached as Exhibits "A" and "B."

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

Not applicable.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Not applicable.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no expected fiscal impact to the City at this time.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

This action is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. This action merely approves the execution of two Grant of Easements, and there is no possibility that approving this action will have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, no environmental analysis is required.

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**SUBMITTED BY:** MITCHELL LANSDELL, ACTING CITY MANAGER

**Attachments:**

1. Exhibit "A" - Grant of Easement to SCE on D Street
2. Exhibit "B" - Grant of Easement to SCE on Pomona Road
3. Exhibit "C" - Letter from RCTC
4. Exhibit "D" - Location Map Showing SCE Facilities in D Street
5. Exhibit "E" - Location Map Showing SCE Facilities in Pomona Road