RESOLUTION NO. 22-9043

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE

AMENDMENTS, PURCHASE ORDERS, CHANGE ORDERS, AND NEW AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS AS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE EMERGENCY REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE INCLUDING

PURCHASE OF A SPARE ROTOR AT THE GIANERA GENERATING STATION, IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$12,000,000

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara's Electric Department, Silicon Valley Power (SVP) operates

three power generation facilities within the city limits: the Donald Von Raesfeld Power Plant, the

City of Santa Clara Cogeneration Plant, and the Gianera Generating Station (Gianera);

WHEREAS, in fall 2020; SVP staff identified issues with the Generator and Accessory Gearbox

on Gianera Unit #2 and took numerous actions to bring the system online and, upon

investigation, staff determined that significant repairs were needed to bring the system online

without risking damage to the system;

WHEREAS, on December 16, the City Council authorized the City Manager to negotiate and

execute amendments, change orders, and new agreements with various vendors as required to

complete all repairs at the Gianera Generating Station, in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed

\$1,000,000;

WHEREAS, while the Unit 2 was shut down for the gear box issue, staff initiated routine

inspections and maintenance and it was discovered that the Generator rotor on Unit 2 had

suffered damage due to the sustained, elevated vibrations leading up to the October 13th forced

outage and additional scope beyond what was previously identified was required;

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2021, City Council of the City of Santa Clara authorized the City

Manager to negotiate and execute amendments, change orders, and new agreements with

various vendors as required to complete all repairs at the Gianera Generating Station, in an

aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$2,567,736 (an increase of \$1,567,736 from the previous

authorization);

WHEREAS, during the period that Gianera Unit 2 was under repair, Gianera Unit 1 experienced

a set of catastrophic issues and was taken offline. Staff took remedial actions, using existing

contracts in place, but were unable to make repairs to eliminate potential further equipment

damage up to and including catastrophic failure of major components of the turbine, generator,

and accessory gearbox. Staff determined that a major overhaul of Gianera Unit 1 is needed

before bringing the unit back into service. The major overhaul was budgeted and scheduled for

fall of 2021;

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2021, City Council of the City of Santa Clara authorized the City

Manager to negotiate and execute amendments, change orders, and new agreements with

various vendors as required to complete all repairs at the Gianera Generating Station, in an

aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$10,000,000 (an increase of \$7,432,264 from the previous

authorization);

WHEREAS, as part of SVP's routine, proactive maintenance program, a planned maintenance

outage was undertaken at Gianera in November, 2021 including a borescope and during that

outage, it was identified that Unit 2 has suffered accelerate wear and damage of the combustion

and turbine components during the summer dispatch period and Unit 2 has been taken out of

service to avoid catastrophic damage;

WHEREAS, Gianera Unit 1 and Unit 2 are critical to providing sufficient power to meet the

electric grid reliability requirements, the needs of SVP's power customers, and SVP's Resource

Adequacy requirements especially in the summer when drought conditions are anticipated; and,

WHEREAS, SVP staff estimates that without Gianera's production in the summer months, SVP

could experience economic loss of up to \$16,000 per day because power that could be

produced by Gianera needs to be purchased on the market.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS

FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council of the City of Santa Clara does hereby authorize the City Manager to

negotiate and execute amendments, change orders, and new agreements with various vendors

as required to complete all repairs at the Gianera Generating Station including the purchase of a

spare rotor, in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$12,000,000 an increase of \$2,000,000 from

the previous authorization.

2. This authorization shall not be used for any purpose other than services needed at the

Gianera Power Plant including emergency repairs, corrective maintenance, and preventative

maintenance that can be economically completed at the same time in order to assure reliable

operation through the summer, as well as the purchase of a spare rotor, and until an RFP

process is completed and contract awarded.

3. Effective date. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED

AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A REGULAR MEETING

THEREOF HELD ON THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2022, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

COUNCILORS:

Becker, Chahal, Hardy, Jain, Park, and Watanabe,

and Mayor Gillmor

NOES:

COUNCILORS:

None

ABSENT:

COUNCILORS:

None

ABSTAINED:

COUNCILORS:

None

ATTEST:

NORA PIMENTEL, MMC ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference: None