

STAFF REPORT

Consent Agenda Item

DATE: February 2, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Mat Nyberg, Deputy City Engineer

THROUGH: Amy Nilsen, City Manager

SUBJECT: **Council Approval of EV Charging Station MOU and Lease Agreement with Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA) and Associated Utility Easement Agreement with PG&E**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to approve Resolution 2026-03 and authorize the execution of an EV charging station MOU and Land Lease Agreement with RCEA and associated utility easement agreement in favor of PG&E.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In 2023, RCEA reached out to the City of Fortuna with a no cost opportunity to improve public EV charger access within the City. RCEA has secured grant funding for the procurement and installation of EV chargers around Humboldt County. The City Manager and Parks Director at the time met with RCEA and selected a location near the Depot Museum in Rohner Park. Installation of the charging station and meter was completed late in 2025 and now requires connection to the PG&E grid. To do so, PG&E has requested that the City enter into an MOU and lease agreement with RCEA, as well as an easement agreement with PG&E for the installation of their infrastructure. With the Council approval, staff will execute and record the MOU, lease agreement, and easement agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There will be no financial impact to the City of Fortuna.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to approve Resolution 2026-03 and authorize the execution of an EV charging station MOU and Lease Agreement with RCEA and associated utility easement agreement in favor of PG&E. Consent Agenda vote.

ATTACHMENT

- *Resolution 2026-03, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fortuna Authorizing the Granting of a Utility Distribution Easement in Favor of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and a Ground Lease Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding Between Redwood Coast Energy Authority and the City for Ownership and Operation of an EV Charging Station*