

RESOLUTION NO. 6131

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL, CALIFORNIA, CONSENTING TO INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY AND COUNTY'S JURISDICTION IN THE GOLDEN STATE FINANCE AUTHORITY PACE PROGRAM TO FINANCE RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION, ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE, AND OTHER AUTHORIZED IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Golden State Finance Authority ("Authority") is a joint exercise of powers authority established pursuant to Chapter 5 of Division 7, Title 1 of the Government Code of the State of California (Section 6500 and following) (the "Act") and the Joint Power Agreement entered into on July 1, 1993, as amended from time to time (the "Authority JPA"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has amended the Authority JPA to formally change its name from California Home Finance Authority to Golden State Finance Authority; and

WHEREAS, Authority has established a property-assessed clean energy ("PACE") Program (the "Authority PACE Program") to provide for the financing of renewable energy generation, energy and water efficiency improvements, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and such other improvements as may be authorized by law from time to time (the "Improvements") pursuant to Chapter 29 of the Improvement Bond Act of 1911, being Division 7 of the California Streets and Highways Code ("Chapter 29") within counties and cities throughout the State of California that elect to participate in such program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol (the "City") is committed to development of renewable energy generation and energy and water efficiency improvements, reduction of greenhouse gases, and protection of the environment; and

WHEREAS, in Chapter 29, the Legislature has authorized cities and counties to assist property owners in financing the cost of installing Improvements through a voluntary contractual assessment program; and

WHEREAS, installation of such Improvements by property owners within the jurisdictional boundaries of the counties and cities that are participating in the Authority PACE Program would promote the purposes cited above; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide innovative solutions to its property owners to achieve energy and water efficiency, and in doing so cooperate with Authority in order to efficiently and economically assist property owners within the territory of the City in financing such Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Authority has established the Authority PACE Program, which is such a voluntary contractual assessment program, as permitted by the Act and the Authority JPA originally made and entered into July 1, 1993, as amended to date; the City is an Associate Member of the JPA and desires to participate in the Authority PACE Program and to assist property owners within the territory of the City in financing the cost of installing Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy and collection of assessments or any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in the payment of any assessments or the issuance, sale or administration of any bonds issued in connection with the Authority PACE Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This City Council finds and declares that properties in the City's territory will be benefited by the availability of the Authority PACE Program to finance the installation of the Improvements.

2. This City Council consents to inclusion in the Authority PACE Program of all of the properties in the territory within the City and to the Improvements, upon the request by and voluntary agreement of owners of such properties, in compliance with the laws, rules and regulations applicable to such program; and to the assumption of jurisdiction thereover by Authority for the purposes thereof.

3. The consent of this City Council constitutes assent to the assumption of jurisdiction by Authority for all purposes of the Authority PACE Program and authorizes Authority, upon satisfaction of the conditions imposed in this resolution, to take each and every step required for or suitable for financing the Improvements; provided, however, that the City shall assist in the levying, collecting and enforcement of the contractual assessments and the issuance and enforcement of bonds to finance the Improvements.

4. City staff is authorized and directed to coordinate with Authority staff to facilitate operation of the Authority PACE Program within the City, and report back periodically to this City Council on the success of such program.

5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. The Clerk is directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Authority.

DULY APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of March, 2017.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by City of Sebastopol City Council following a roll call vote:

VOTE:

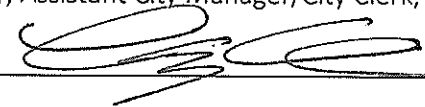
Ayes: Councilmembers Carnacchi, Gurney, Hinton, Vice Mayor Slayter and Mayor Glass
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

APPROVED: 

Mayor Una Glass

ATTEST: 

Mary Gourley, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, MMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 

Larry McLaughlin, City Attorney