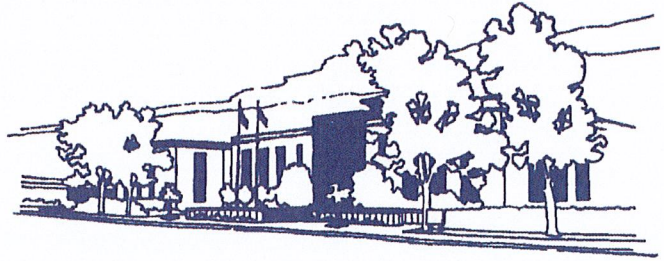


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February 15, 2022

Attn: Tonya Heron, Commission Agreement Officer
715 P Street, MS-1
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mrs. Heron,

The City of San Leandro is pleased to actively participate as a key project partner in the East Bay Community Energy Authority's (EBCE) REACH Grant application. As the City's not-for-profit public power agency, EBCE is well positioned to help San Leandro reinvent our municipal parking facilities to provide electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure as a public good to residents and visitors alike. We are particularly thrilled by EBCE's commitment to siting EV charging in strategic locations such as our Main Library to drive accessibility and adoption by the renters in our community.

In 2021, San Leandro City Council adopted the [2021 Climate Action Plan](#) (2021 CAP). The 2021 CAP is an update to the 2009 CAP and reflects the community's commitment to principles of equity and justice and utilized community-driven planning efforts. Through the CAP process, the City compiled a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory tracking emissions in 2005, 2010, 2015, and 2017. The transportation sector has consistently been the lead contributor, with the most recent data showing 60% of all citywide emissions. While the absolute annual emissions from transportation in San Leandro decreased 5% from 2005 to 2017, there is still a long way to go to decarbonize.

As one of San Leandro's GHG Reduction Strategy categories, Transportation Electrification and Low-Carbon Fuels details specific strategies and actions the City can take to drive down transportation-related emissions. Under 'TE-2: EV Charging Stations', the CAP calls for the installation of public EV charging stations in high-volume and prominent City-owned locations, as well as working with commercial property developers, owners, and managers to promote EV charging.

There are currently only 8 fast charger ports in the City of San Leandro. EBCE has analyzed EVI-Pro data and shown that the City needs 94 more by 2025 to enable and support the number of EVs needed to meet the state's targets. This proposal to install 20 fast charging ports is an imperative step in this direction and this infrastructure will help eliminate barriers faced by vulnerable populations like low-income residents and renters (that may also be rideshare drivers) who lack access to charging at or near where they live, and many of whom have yet to switch to EVs. San Leandro is eager to partner with EBCE on this project to enable the installation of accessible EV fast charging that will deliver positive community health impacts and ensure the benefits of electrification are realized by all residents.

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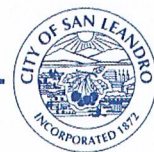
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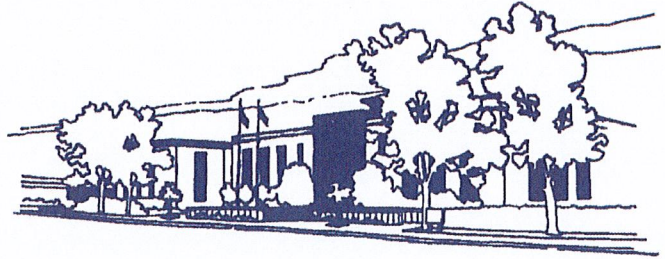
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Since its formation as a Joint Power Authority in 2016, EBCE has been a strategic partner to its member agencies in pursuing clean energy and decarbonization initiatives. In particular, EBCE is uniquely situated to address the complex ecosystem of transportation electrification and the deployment of a network of publicly accessible EV chargers. Through this project, the City of San Leandro will provide the necessary parking spaces and real estate to EBCE for a hub of direct current fast chargers that will be a particular asset to nearby renters, as well as visitors to San Leandro's downtown.

Our Main Library is a particularly desirable location for EV chargers. With the accessibility to the downtown shopping plazas, the library facilities, the seasonal farmers' market at the library parking lot, and the pending construction of new multifamily housing downtown, the Main Library is a hub for San Leandro. Our Library Director is very enthusiastic about this project and looks forward to partnering with EBCE to make this happen.

We support EBCE's willingness to lead the development of public charging infrastructure at municipal facilities on behalf of Authority members like the City of San Leandro. We strongly encourage the selection of this proposal and thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions please contact **Hoi-Fei Mok, Sustainability Manager** by email at hfmok@sanleandro.org or by phone at **510-672-3108**.

Sincerely,

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