

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-50**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OJAI APPROVING, AUTHORIZING, AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF A JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY; CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY IN THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY OPEN PACE PROGRAMS; AUTHORIZING THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND LEVY CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE CITY; AND AUTHORIZING RELATED ACTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the California Municipal Finance Authority (the “Authority”) is a joint exercise of powers authority, the members of which include numerous cities and counties in the State of California (the “Members”), formed pursuant to a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Relating to the California Municipal Finance Authority, dated as of January 1, 2004 (the “Agreement”) for the purpose of promoting economic, cultural and community development and in order to exercise any powers common to its Members, including the issuance of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Ojai (the “City”), has determined that it is in the public interest and for the public benefit that the City become a Member of the Authority in order to facilitate the promotion of economic, cultural and community development activities in the City, including the financing of projects therefor by the Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, there is now before this City Council the form of the Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement has been filed with the City, and the members of the City Council, with the assistance of its staff, have reviewed said document; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority is implementing Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs, which it has designated CMFA Open PACE, consisting of CMFA Open PACE programs each administered by a separate program administrator (collectively with any successors, assigns, replacements or additions, the “Programs”), to allow the financing or refinancing of renewable energy, energy efficiency, water efficiency and seismic strengthening improvements, electric vehicle charging infrastructure and such other improvements, infrastructure or other work as may be authorized by law from time to time (collectively, the “Improvements”) through the levy of contractual assessments pursuant to Chapter 29 of Division 7 of the Streets & Highways Code (“Chapter 29”), beginning with Streets and Highways Code section 5898.10, within counties and cities throughout the State of California that consent to the inclusion of properties within their respective territories in the Programs and the issuance of bonds from time to time; and

**WHEREAS**, the program administrators currently active in administering Programs are Energy Efficient Equity, Inc.; BlueFlame PACE Services LLC; OnPACE Energy Solutions, LLC; Petros PACE Administrator, LLC; Samas Capital LLC; Structured Finance Associates, LLC; and Twain Community Partners II LLC; and the Authority will notify the City in advance of any additions or changes; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 29 provides that assessments may be levied under its provisions only with the free and willing consent of the owner or owners of each lot or parcel on which an assessment is levied at the time the assessment is levied; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to allow the owners of property (“Participating Property Owners”) within its territory to participate in the Programs and to allow the Authority to conduct assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 within its territory and to issue bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the territory within which assessments may be levied for the Programs shall include all of the territory within the City’s official boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority will conduct all assessment proceedings under Chapter 29 for the Programs and issue any bonds issued in connection with the Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale, administration repayment or guarantee of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Ojai as follows:

Section 1. This City Council hereby finds and declares that the foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. The Agreement is hereby approved and the Mayor, City Manager, or the designee thereof is hereby authorized and directed to execute said document, and the City Clerk or such clerk’s designee is hereby authorized and directed to attest thereto.

Section 3. This City Council hereby finds and declares that properties in the territory of the City will benefit from the availability of the Programs within the territory of the City and, pursuant thereto, the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance Improvements.

Section 4. In connection with the Programs, the City hereby consents to the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority pursuant to Chapter 29 on any property within the territory of the City and the issuance of bonds to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that

(1) The Participating Property Owners, who shall be the legal owners of such property, execute a contract pursuant to Chapter 29 and comply with other applicable provisions of California law in order to accomplish the valid levy of assessments; and

(2) The City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy of assessments; any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale, administration, repayment or guarantee of any bonds issued in connection with the Programs.

Section 5. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to make applications for the Programs available to all property owners who wish to finance or refinance Improvements; provided, that the Authority shall be responsible for providing such applications and related materials at its own expense. The following staff persons, together with any other staff persons chosen by the Mayor or City Manager of the City from time to time, are hereby designated as the contact persons for the Authority in connection with the Programs: City Manager.

Section 6. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such certificates, requisitions, agreements and related documents as are reasonably required by the Authority to implement the Programs.

Section 7. The City Council hereby finds that adoption of this Resolution is not a “project” under the California Environmental Quality Act, because the Resolution does not involve any commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and instead entails the creation of a funding process for future activities, as contemplated by Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378(b)(4)).

Section 8. The City may withdraw from the Programs or any Program upon six (6) months written notice to the Authority. The City may withdraw its consent and approval for the conduct of special assessment proceedings by any specific program administrator under a Program within the jurisdictional limits of the City upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Authority without (a) liability to the Authority or any affiliated entity, and (b) withdrawing its consent and approval for the conduct of special assessment proceedings by any other program administrators under the other Programs. The City’s withdrawal from any Program shall not affect the validity of any voluntary assessment contract entered into prior to the date of such withdrawal or entered into after the date of such withdrawal so long as the application for such voluntary assessment contract was submitted to and approved by the Authority prior to the date of the City’s notice of withdrawal.


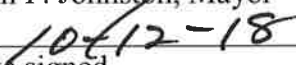
Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Financial Advisor of the Authority at: California Municipal Finance Authority, 2111 Palomar Airport Road, Suite 320, Carlsbad, California 92011, Attn: Travis Cooper.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Blatz, Francina, Haney, Johnston, Weirick  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

CITY OF OJAI, CALIFORNIA

  
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John F. Johnston, Mayor  
  
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Date signed

ATTEST:

  
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Gail Davis, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Matthew Summers, City Attorney