

RESOLUTION NO. 427

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF RIDGECREST, CALIFORNIA,  
DECLARING ITS OPPOSITION TO THE  
APPLICATION TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES  
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FOR A STREET LIGHTING RATE INCREASE  
BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON  
COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Southern California Edison Company has filed Application No. 53488 to the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California requesting an over-all electric rate increase; and

WHEREAS, said application proposes an increase in street lighting rates charged to cities an average of 12.2 per cent; and

WHEREAS, the Southern California Edison Company has received street lighting rate increases averaging 23 per cent for mercury vapor lamps in the past three years and greater increases for incandescent lamps and both of these on top of fuel cost adjustment increase in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Southern California Edison Company street lighting rate increases are greater than the City of Ridgecrest's average annual increase in street lighting property tax revenue;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST RESOLVES:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest requests the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California to seriously study whether the costs to the Southern California Edison company of providing street lighting services to utility-owned poles and fixtures have justified an average increase of 8.75 per cent per year over the past three years and a proposed average increase of over 9 per cent per year.

Section 2. That the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest declares its opposition to the proposed street lighting rate increase by the Southern California Edison Company and requests that the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California deny the rate increase request as effects rates charged for power supplied to utility-owned poles and fixtures.

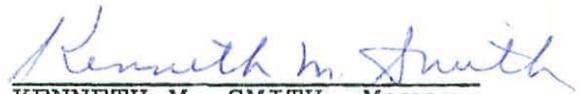
Section 3. That the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest requests the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California to notify City Council of any planned action on Application No. 53488 or any other application for rate increases in street lighting filed by the Southern California Edison Company.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF October, 1972, by the following vote:

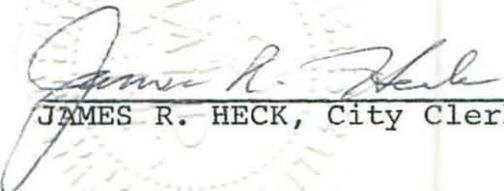
AYES: Mayor Smith, Councilmen Fox, Shacklett, and Wilson.

NOES:

ABSENT: Councilman Mettenburg.

  
KENNETH M. SMITH, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
JAMES R. HECK, City Clerk