

RESOLUTION NO. 06-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL
DECLARING THE CITY'S SUPPORT FOR AN ENERGY
PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AND
THE CITY OF RIDGECREST**

WHEREAS, the City Council supports "energy efficiency" initiatives, policies, and construction standards in order to ensure that the City of Ridgecrest follows and encourages sustainable policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, new housing starts and population growth in California is considerably higher than past history, and are expected to outpace the national average through the year 2010; and

WHEREAS, local demand for electricity has grown substantially, and it is expected that demand for electricity will continue to grow in the near future to support a growing population and;

WHEREAS, most citizens and businesses spend more in energy bills than they do on local taxes it makes economic sense and good public policy to encourage energy efficiency where of possible in the City of Ridgecrest and:

WHEREAS energy efficient programs enhance our environment by improving air quality, reducing pollution, and conserving natural resources; and

WHEREAS, it is vital for our community to keep dollars local and to encourage innovations in the way we behave, build, and incorporate energy into our everyday business and personal lives; and

WHEREAS, there is movement within the California communities and businesses to improve everyday practices and to create more sustainable and "greener" cities; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to promote innovative methods and state-of-the-art technologies used in the design and construction of new residential buildings within the city, in order to bring our energy and natural resource consumption in line with our sustainability goals; and

WHEREAS, City Staff have identified the suite of programs within SCE's Local Government Partnership Program as being consistent with the city's customer service goals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true and correct.

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2. That the City of Ridgecrest supports a commitment to sustainable practices through energy efficiency, and will provide leadership and guidance in promoting, facilitating, and instituting such practices in the community.

3. That the City of Ridgecrest supports and endorses the Local Government Partnership as an effective method to help meet long-term community economic and environmental goals.

4. That the City of Ridgecrest will provide special recognition to all city agencies and local non-profits that utilize any of the programs encompassed by SCE's Local Government Partnership.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of February 2006 by the following vote.

AYES: Mayor Holloway, Council Members Martin, Clark, Morgan, and Carter

NOES: None

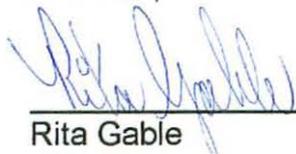
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN None



Marshall "Chip" Holloway, Mayor

ATTEST;



Rita Gable
City Clerk