DATE: May 25, 2016
TO: Energy Council
FROM: Wendy Sommer, Executive Director
BY: Karen Kho, Senior Program Manager
SUBJECT: Pleasanton and Livermore Membership Request

SUMMARY

At its September 2012 meeting the Waste Management Authority Board directed staff to invite all of the 14 cities in Alameda County and the County itself to become members of the Energy Council. A deadline of March 29, 2013 was given for the initial formation of the Council. However, additional jurisdictions can join at a later time with the permission of the Energy Council Board.

DISCUSSION

On June 3, 2016 the Pleasanton City Council unanimously approved a resolution requesting to become a member of the Energy Council and authorizing execution of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Energy Council. On June 9 the Livermore City Council unanimously adopted a similar resolution indicating its interest in becoming a member of the Energy Council.

By accepting these two membership requests, Energy Council would have official representation from all 15 jurisdictions in Alameda County. The Cities of Pleasanton and Livermore representatives would gain the ability to vote on initiatives and priorities of the Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Energy Council approve the requests of the Cities of Livermore and Pleasanton to join the Energy Council.

Attachment 1: City of Pleasanton resolution
Attachment 2: City of Livermore resolution
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RESOLUTION NO. 16-849

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANTON REQUESTING TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ENERGY COUNCIL AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE ENERGY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Energy Council was formed to more effectively develop and implement programs and policies that reduce energy demand, increase energy efficiency, advance the use of clean, efficient and renewable resources available in the region for the benefit of the Energy Council member agencies and their constituents; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Council assists its members by seeking funding to advance the objectives listed above and help create climate resilient communities, strengthening staff capacity, providing technical expertise, and offering a monthly forum for the sharing of best practices; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Council Technical Advisory Group provides ongoing input to staff on the development of funding proposals and the implementation of programs; and

WHEREAS, Energy Council has successfully secured and administered energy-related grants and contracts totaling $24 million since its formation in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Energy Council represents Alameda County jurisdictions within the Bay Area Regional Energy Network and serves as the Independent Administrator for the East Bay Energy Watch; and

WHEREAS, there are opportunities to continue and expand the types of energy efficiency programs through multiple funding sources, including regional/state/federal agencies, investor owned utilities and private foundations; and

WHEREAS, becoming a member of the Energy Council will benefit the City of Pleasanton in providing greater competitiveness in obtaining funding, access to specialized energy related technical expertise and services, and assistance to strengthen local staff capacity; and

WHEREAS, no debt, liability, or obligation or obligation of the Energy Council shall constitute a debt, liability or obligation of City of Pleasanton pursuant to Government Code section 6508.1 and the terms of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, new jurisdictions may join the Energy Council upon: (1) filing a resolution requesting membership; (2) receiving approval of that request from the Energy Council Board; and (3) signing the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Energy Council (a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment A).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANTON DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION 1. Submits this resolution as a request to join the Energy Council.
SECTION 2. Authorizes the City Manager to execute the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Energy Council in the form in Attachment A upon the Energy Council Board’s approval of the City of Pleasanton’s request to join.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Pleasanton at a regular meeting held on May 3, 2016.

I, Karen Diaz, City Clerk of the City of Pleasanton, California, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on May 3, 2016, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brown, Olson, Pentin, Vice Mayor Narum
Noes: None
Absent: Mayor Thorne
Abstain: None

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Karen Diaz, City Clerk

Julie Harryman, Interim City Attorney
IN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ENERGY COUNCIL AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE ENERGY COUNCIL

The Energy Council was formed to more effectively develop and implement programs and policies that reduce energy demand, increase energy efficiency, advance the use of clean, efficient, and renewable resources available in the region for the benefit of the Energy Council member agencies and their constituents.

The Energy Council assists its members by seeking funding to advance the objectives above and help create climate-resilient communities, strengthen staff capacity, provide technical expertise, and offer a monthly forum for sharing best practices.

The Energy Council Technical Advisory Group provides ongoing input to staff on the development of funding proposals and the implementation of programs.

The Energy Council has successfully secured and administered energy-related grants and contracts totaling $24 million since 2013.

The Energy Council represents Alameda County jurisdictions within the Bay Area Regional Energy Network and serves as the Independent Administrator for the East Bay Energy Watch.

There are opportunities to continue and expand the types of energy efficiency programs through multiple funding sources, including regional/state/federal agencies, investor-owned utilities and private foundations.

Becoming a member of the Energy Council will benefit the City of Livermore in providing greater competitiveness in obtaining funding, access to specialized energy related technical expertise and services, and assistance to strengthen local staff capacity.

No debt, liability, or obligation of the Energy Council shall constitute a debt, liability, or obligation of the City of Livermore pursuant to Government Code section 6508.1 and the terms of the agreement.

New jurisdictions may join the Energy Council upon (1) filing a resolution requesting membership, (2) receiving approval of that request from the Energy Council Board, and (3) signing the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Energy Council, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Livermore hereby requests permission to become a member of the Energy Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-048
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Livermore that, if the Board for the Energy Council approves the City of Livermore’s request to become a member, then the City Manager is authorized to execute the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Energy Council, dated April 12, 2013 and attached hereto as Exhibit A, to become a member.

On motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Member Spedowfski, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted on May 9, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Spedowfski, Turner, Mayor Marchand
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Woerner, Vice Mayor Gary
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST: 

[Signature]

Susan Neer
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]

Jason Alcala
City Attorney

Dated: May 11, 2016