Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:
Approval of a Letter of Intent with New Braunfels Utilities for the installation of standalone solar powered generation projects at a series of distributed generation solar sites owned or controlled by the City on the terms and conditions specified in the letter.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:
NBU has worked with the City to identify sites owned or controlled by the City that may be suitable for solar ýdevelopment due to land characteristics and proximity to NBU's existing distribution lines.

NBU is issuing a request for proposal to solicitý ýcompetitive proposals from professional, qualified, and experienced solar developers to develop cost effective distributed solar photovoltaic electric ýgenerating systems ("Solar PV Systems") connected to NBU's distribution system to be located at a series of distributed generation ýsolar sites physically in or around the City. The awarded Developer shall finance, design, construct, own, operate, and maintain the Solar PV Systems and ýenter into an agreement with NBU.

NBU will oversee the awarded Developer's development, ýconstruction, interconnection and operation of Solar PV Systems on the sites selected for solar development; provided that (a) all plans and specifications for improvements and installations will be submitted to the City ýfor approval,ý and (b) the City will have the right to inspect any ýSolar PV System installed on a site owned or controlled by the City. ý

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

N/A			

FISCAL IMPACT:
Once implemented, the generation of solar power from infrastructure installed on city property will actually generate revenue for General Fund purposes.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Staff recommends of a Letter of Intent with New Braunfels Utilities for the installation of standalone solar-powered generation projects at a series of distributed generation solar sites owned or controlled by the City on the terms and conditions specified in the letter.

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