



STAFF REPORT

AGENDA NO: 9g

MEETING DATE: April 20, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

Date: April 20, 2026

From: Lisa K. Goldman, City Manager – (650) 558-7243

Subject: Adoption of a Resolution Approving an Administrative Amendment to Paragraph 2.2 of the Peninsula Clean Energy Joint Powers Agreement Reflecting the Name Change to Peninsula Clean Energy Authority to WestLight Energy

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution approving an amendment to Paragraph 2.2 of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Joint Powers Agreement to reflect the new agency name (WestLight Energy) previously approved by the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Board of Directors on October 23, 2025.

BACKGROUND

On October 23, 2025, the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Board of Directors voted to adopt a new market-facing agency name of WestLight Energy following extensive research and a lengthy stakeholder engagement process. The name was selected in part to address several challenges that limit the effectiveness of the name Peninsula Clean Energy with deeper decarbonization goals across Peninsula Clean Energy's service territory, including ongoing confusion with PG&E. The acronym "PCE" is often mistaken for PG&E, causing persistent brand confusion. Further, Peninsula Clean Energy reflects a geographic limitation given that the word "Peninsula" no longer reflects PCE's full service territory. The Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors' October 23, 2025, action included direction to amend the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to formally reflect the new name.

DISCUSSION

The action before the City Council is not a reconsideration of the name itself. The Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors has already approved the name change. Member agencies are now required to approve an administrative amendment to Paragraph 2.2 of the JPA to formally update the agency's legal name in that paragraph and throughout the JPA document.

Approval of the Resolution ensures the City of Burlingame remains aligned with the governing documents of the Joint Powers Authority and allows Peninsula Clean Energy the opportunity to implement the name transition in coordination with its 10-year anniversary and broader brand rollout.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the City of Burlingame. The costs associated with the rebranding effort are being borne by the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority and were included in its adopted budget.

Exhibits:

- Resolution
- Redlined Paragraph 2.2 of the Peninsula Clean Energy Joint Powers Agreement