COUNTY OF SONOMA

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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 7/8/2025

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Public Infrastructure **Staff Name and Phone Number:** Johannes J. Hoevertsz., 707-565-2550

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:

Resolution Designating Electrical Vehicle Charging Spaces and Authorizing Enforcement In Accordance with California Vehicle Code Section 22511.

Recommended Action:

Adopt a Resolution pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 22511 to designate certain stalls and spaces on County roadways and off-street parking facilities for electric vehicle (EV) charging purposes, and authorize enforcement thereof, including establishment of associated parking penalty fines.

Executive Summary:

Sonoma County continues to promote sustainability and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by supporting adoption of electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure and zero carbon transportation efforts. In order to continue incentivizing EV adoption among County employees, Sonoma County Public Infrastructure (SPI) is requesting local enactment of authority and prohibitions as allowed under California Vehicle Code Section 22511. If approved by the Board, SPI will be authorized I to designate EV charging spaces and enforce appropriate usage.

Discussion:

The County's Clean Commute Program has proven to be a successful model for encouraging EV adoption and clean commuting among County employees. As a result, the County has observed increased demand for EV charging infrastructure, particularly on the County campuses and adjacent public streets.

Without enforceable restrictions, EV charging stalls are at risk of being occupied by internal combustion engine vehicles or EVs not actively charging, which diminishes availability and discourages EV use. Enacting designations and enforcement options under California Vehicle Code Section 22511 will enable more effective oversight of EV designated parking stalls and will ensure charging infrastructure serves its intended users. Once EV charging spaces are designated under Vehicle Code Section 22511, Vehicle Code Section 22511.1 makes it unlawful to park in a designated space in violation of charging requirements. Violations are subject to statutory fines under state law (Vehicle Code Section 42001.6; \$100 per violation, plus required fees and penalties) and vehicles could be subject to tow.

If approved by the Board, this Resolution will enable the Director of SPI to oversee the implementation of this

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program, including:

Site assessments and selection of designated EV charging stalls where appropriate, such as on public streets and at County facilities where charging infrastructure is installed and accessible;

Installation of signage and pavement markings in compliance with legal standards, and;

Coordination with Parking Enforcement to support consistent enforcement.

Strategic Plan:

This item directly supports the County's Five-year Strategic Plan and is aligned with the following pillar, goal, and objective.

Pillar: Climate Action and Resiliency

Goal: Goal 2: Invest in the community to enhance resiliency and become carbon neutral by 2030 **Objective:** Objective 2: Invest in the County's employee Clean Commute program to promote use of alternate modes of transportation, including bike and carpool incentives, and last mile solutions connecting bus and train stations to County worksites.

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

Prior Board Actions:

None.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| Expenditures | FY25-26 | FY26-27 | FY27-28 |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | Adopted | Projected | Projected |
| Budgeted Expenses | \$980 | | |
| Additional Appropriation Requested | | | |
| Total Expenditures | \$980 | | |
| Funding Sources | | | |
| General Fund/WA GF | \$980 | | |
| State/Federal | | | |
| Fees/Other | | | |
| Use of Fund Balance | | | |
| General Fund Contingencies | | | |
| Total Sources | \$980 | | |

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Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Appropriations for costs associated with signage, markings, and administrative enforcement are available in the FY 2025-26 County Parking Enforcement (10035-21040400) Adopted Budget.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

None.

Attachments:

Resolution

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

None.