

May 2, 2023

Re: Community Sponsor Letter of Commitment for Prologis Community Solar Project in Carson at **2201 E. Dominguez Street** 

To Clean Power Alliance (CPA),

The City of Carson ("The City") is providing its commitment to serve as the community sponsor for the Prologis Carson community solar project at 2201 E. Dominguez Street, in connection with Prologis's submission in the CPA 2022 Power Share Request for Offers (RFO).

The City is including the following components in its commitment:

## **Substantial Interest of Community Members**

The City is attesting that significant interest in a community solar and storage project exists. In 2018, the Carson City Council voted to set the default electricity option for Carson's residents to CPA's Clean Power rate option, providing 50% renewable content to residents. The City supports 100% renewable energy access to its customers, particularly for its low-income, disadvantaged residents. The CPA Community Solar Green Tariff (CSGT) will allow low-income residents of Carson to achieve this energy access, while also lowering their electric bills by 20%.

## **Estimated Number of Subscribers**

The estimated number of subscribers for the community solar project is approximately 550, which includes Carson's participation as a subscriber. With an expected usage of ~730,000kWh annually, Carson's expected portion of the community solar output is 25%. The number of eligible Carson residents within a 5-mile radius of the project is approximately 28,000, which means that the project would have to secure subscriptions from less than 2% of the population in order to fully subscribe the project. Both the City, as the community sponsor, and the eligible residents in the program will receive a 20% bill discount.

## <u>Preliminary Plan to Conduct Outreach and Recruit Subscribers</u>

The City plans to work in partnership with CPA and Prologis to conduct outreach and recruit subscribers to the project, including monolingual and hard-to-reach customers. The City has communicated with CPA to confirm that the City will leverage CPA's Community Solar Marketing, Education & Outreach Plan to assist with enrolling customers.

## Siting is Consistent with Community Preference

The City is verifying that the project siting is consistent with community preference. The project will take advantage of rooftop space on an existing industrial warehouse. By utilizing the built environment to add clean energy resources to the grid, this site is environmentally friendly and consistent with the community's desire to have a local source of clean energy and decarbonize the grid. In addition, the project will be built using a Project Labor Agreement, bringing workforce development benefits to the community.

The City is excited about the opportunity to develop new clean energy resources in Carson, while lowering electric bills for its low-income customers. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Reata Kulcsar, Innovation and Sustainability Manager, at 310-952-1700, ext. 1312, or via email at <a href="mailto:rkulcsar@carsonca.gov">rkulcsar@carsonca.gov</a>. Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Respectfully,

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