

TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO

RESOLUTION NO. 1900

RESOLVED, by the SAN ANSELMO TOWN COUNCIL, that  
(City Council/Board of Supervisors)

WHEREAS, the rates for street lighting charged by utilities governed by the California Public Utilities Commission do not reflect the actual energy used by the street lights; and

WHEREAS, local agencies are discouraged from acquiring the components of the utility-owned street light system because procedures for acquisition of the components are vague and unnecessarily cumbersome; and

WHEREAS, joint-tenancy of utility poles have been discouraged or conditioned in such a manner as to be unfeasible; and

WHEREAS, utilities' rate structure adjusted and approved by the Commission from time to time included provisions for the amortization of utilities' installation and replacement costs of street lighting facilities; and

WHEREAS, utilities' method of evaluating its street lighting facilities (Reproduction Cost New Less Depreciation) does not reflect the actual saleable worth of these facilities; and

WHEREAS, utilities require local public agencies to purchase street lighting facilities which were previously installed by property owners and developers and then dedicated at no cost to the utilities; and

WHEREAS, utilities do not allow energy-conserving means of efficient lumination except for high pressure sodium vapor street lights in their system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Public Utilities Commission is requested to consider, amend and adopt regulations governing and regulating street lighting which would provide that;

1. Rates charged for street lighting reflect the actual energy used by the lights; and

2. Procedures for acquiring components of the utilities' street lighting system be stated in a clear and precise manner; and

3. Utilities be required, if requested by a local Public Agency to allow joint use of their utility pole system, without charge, to install street light fixtures owned and maintained by the local public agency; and

4. The method utilized by utilities for valuating street lighting facilities to be purchased by public entities be based on actual cost of the facilities when installed less depreciation and any other amounts recovered through utility rate charges, not to exceed salvage value; and

5. Utilities be required, if requested by a local public agency, to transfer to the agency, without charge, any street lighting facility which utilities acquired from property owners and developers at no cost to the utility; and

6. Utilities be directed to utilize any and all forms of energy-efficient, economical street lighting including but not limited to both high and low pressure sodium vapor street lights, when requested to do so by a public entity.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF April, 1982.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 1900 was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the San Anselmo Town Council held on the 6th day of April, 1982 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Toal, Capurro, Wooliever, Buckle, Convis

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

*Caroline Foster*

CAROLINE FOSTER, Town Clerk