The City of Santee has been a participant in the CEC proceedings and those of the City of San Diego for over a year. The foundational concern is that the proposed location of the plant is ALL WRONG for Santee, Mission Trails Park and the communities of East Elliot, Navajo and Tierrasanta in the City of San Diego. Although revisions to the project have been made, the plant would continue to be out of place given its predominant natural surroundings.

The appreciation of the open area has been expressed before you in previous workshops and in hundreds of public comments. Santee requests that Resolution Number R-286328, adopted by the San Diego City Council in 1995, be added to the record for consideration.

Briefly, in 1995, the San Diego City Council, for and behalf of the people of San Diego, affirmed State Route 52 between Santo Road in Tierrasanta and Mast Boulevard in Santee to be a unique highway of significant aesthetic and environmental value worthy of designation and protection as a scenic highway.

In spite of revisions to the project design, these are too little, too late and result in a closer location to State Route 52.
WHEREAS, State Route 52 defines the northern boundary of Mission Trails Regional Park, the largest urban park in the United States; and

WHEREAS, State Route 52 defines the southern boundary of Naval Air Station Miramar, one of the largest parcels of open space within the City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, State Route 52 bordering Mission Trails Regional Park is a uniquely scenic section of urban highway in California with its lush vegetation, abundance of wildlife and rare geological formations; and

WHEREAS, State Route 52 bordering Mission Trails Regional Park maintains significant historical and natural importance reflecting our City's dedication to preserving a quality environment within a vibrant urban setting; and

WHEREAS, State Route 52 bordering Mission Trails Regional Park is cherished by San Diegans as a distinctive and beautiful asset to our City; and

WHEREAS, the California Scenic Highway Program was established to protect and enhance California's beauty, amenity and quality of life while addressing transportation demands; and

WHEREAS, California cities may apply to the California Department of Transportation to obtain scenic highway designations for significant highways within their boundaries; NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby declare State Route 52, between Santo Road in Tierrasanta and Mast Boulevard in Santee, to be a unique highway of significant aesthetic and environmental value worthy of designation and protection as a "Scenic Highway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby directs the City Manager and Planning Director to take all necessary steps to secure "Scenic Highway" designation for State Route 52 under the provisions of the California Scenic Highway Program.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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John K. Riess
Senior Deputy City Attorney

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* ITEM-103:

SUBJECT: Designation of State Route 52, between Santo Road and Mast Boulevard in Santee, as a "Scenic Highway."

COUNCILMEMBER McCARTY'S RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the following resolution:

(R-96-218) ADOPTED AS RESOLUTION R-286328

Declaring State Route 52, between Santo Road in Tierrasanta and Mast Boulevard in Santee, to be a unique highway of significant aesthetic and environmental value worthy of designation and protection as a "Scenic Highway";

Directing the City Manager and Planning Director to take all necessary steps to secure "Scenic Highway" designation for State Route 52 under the provisions of the California Scenic Highway Program.

FILE LOCATION: MEET

COUNCIL ACTION: (Tape location: B180-225.)

CONSENT MOTION BY MATHIS TO ADOPT. Second by McCarty. Passed by the following vote: Mathis-yea, Harvey-yea, Kehoe-yea, Stevens-yea, Warden-yea, Stallings-yea, McCarty-yea, Vargas-yea, Mayor Golding-yea.

* ITEM-104:

SUBJECT: Two actions related to Suggestion Awards.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the following resolutions authorizing Suggestion Awards to City Employees:

Subitem-A: (R-96-241) ADOPTED AS RESOLUTION R-286329

Virginia Towery - Water Utilities - $950.

Subitem-B: (R-96-242) ADOPTED AS RESOLUTION R-286330