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## **City opens electric vehicle charging stations**

**RIVERSIDE, Calif.** – Beginning May 15, the City of Riverside is providing drivers a way to recharge their electric vehicle batteries throughout the city.

The city is opening 11 public chargers at seven parking locations: two at Riverside City Hall (3900 Main St.); two at the City Corporation Yard fuel island (8095 Lincoln Ave.); one at the city airport (6951 Flight Road); two at the City Convention Center loading dock (Orange Street side); one at Parking Garage 3 (3780 Market St.); two at the Riverside Utilities Operations Center (2911 Adams St.) and one at the Casa Blanca Family Learning Center (2985 Madison St.). The chargers at the Convention Center will be installed in late May.

An official ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at 2 p.m., May 15, at City Hall.

“This is a significant step in Riverside’s green evolution,” said Mayor Ron Loveridge. “In addition to our other available alternative fuels, including compressed natural gas, propane and hydrogen, we can now accommodate the next generation of all-electric transportation, and facilitate the further cutting of carbon emissions.”

The battery recharging cost will be .97 cents an hour -- \$2 minimum and \$7.75 maximum. Vehicles can be left parked in a space up to 12 hours for recharging.

The chargers recognize either ChargePoint cards or contactless credit cards, called “pay passes.” Hold either of these two cards over the chargers’ readers to begin the charging and again at the end of the session. The stations do not accept bills, coins, or debit or credit cards without the pay pass feature; however, they can be activated remotely by calling 1 (888) 758-4389 and providing credit card information. Go to [www.ChargePoint.net](http://www.ChargePoint.net) to learn more about setting up an account.

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