



Commission Members Present: Ken Larking, Helm Dobbins, Sheila Williamson-Branch, Vanessa Cain, Mary Williamson

Commission Members Absent: Anna Kautzman, Steven Merricks, Ronald Searce, Gary Miller

Staff Present: Ryan Dodson, Jason Grey, Janet Davis, Amy Chandler, Michael Adkins

Others Present:

Call to Order

Chairman Cain opened the meeting and asked that the attendance be recorded. As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order.

Discussion/Business Items

Minutes of March 27, 2023 Commission Meeting

Chairman Cain asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes of March 27, 2023.

Mr. Dobbins made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Williamson-Branch seconded, all members voted in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements

Ms. Chandler reviewed the February 2023 utilities financial statements.

Discussion on Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA) Standards to Consider

Ms. Davis presented results from the public hearing and survey for the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA) Standards to Consider. The 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) amends PURPA to add two new "must consider" provisions, relating to (1) demand response practices; and (2) electric vehicle charging programs. The IIJA requires nonregulated electric utilities to commence consideration of these standards no later than November 15, 2022, and this consideration must be

concluded and a determination as to whether to adopt each standard made by November 15, 2023.

Ms. Williamson-Branch made a motion and Mr. Dobbins seconded that the Danville Utility Commission recommend to City Council to not consider adding the two new PURPA provisions from the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. All members voted in favor and the motion passed.

FY23 and FY24 Capital Project Updates

Jason Grey provided an update on Fiscal Year 2023 capital improvement projects and plans for Fiscal Year 2024 capital projects.

Mr. Dobbins asked what the life cycle will be of the bar screens that will be replaced. Mr. Grey responded that they should last about 25 years.

Mr. Dobbins asked if the low interest loans for the reservoir project from the Virginia Department of Health are long term fixed rates. Mr. Grey responded that they are.

Mr. Dobbins asked if the Caesar's service would contract through Danville Utilities rather than AEP. Mr. Grey confirmed that no construction on AEP's side will be billed to the City, and all electricity will be directly paid to Danville Utilities. Mr. Larking added that Caesar's will be a rate payer just like all other customers in the City.

Department Discussions

There were no comments from commission members.

Adjournment

Chairman Cain stated the next meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2023. There being no further business, Mr. Larking made a motion to close that was seconded by Ms. Williamson. Ms. Cain adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Submitted by Janet C. Davis
Secretary to the DUC

June 26, 2023

Date Approved



Vice Chairman
Danville Utility Commission