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A RESOLUTION

establishing an Integrated Electric Resource and Master Plan Task Force.

WHEREAS, an integrated electric resource plan is an approach to meet forecasted annual electric system peak and energy demands that includes an established reserve margin through a combination of supply-side and demand-side resources over a specified time period; and

WHEREAS, electric system master planning is regularly conducted by electric utilities and other load-serving entities as such plans provide general guidance for necessary electric system improvements to maintain reliability and serve anticipated loads; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia's Electric Utility is working to prepare an updated Integrated Resource Plan in 2018; and

WHEREAS, based on revised electric load forecasts, City staff is recommending that a new electric transmission and distribution system planning process be incorporated within the Integrated Electric Resource and Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planning process will replace all previous planning efforts as it relates to serving anticipated loads and meeting federal transmission planning requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the costs of building, expanding, maintaining, and operating the Electric Utility should be recovered in a way that is logical and fair to both new and existing customers, and to all customer classes (residential, commercial, industrial); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has expressed concerns about the fairness of the Electric Utility's current cost of service and concomitant rate structures; and

WHEREAS, City staff and City Council propose a task force be created to provide recommendations on a planning, cost of service, and rate-setting process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established an Integrated Electric Resource and Master Plan Task Force. Its purposes include the following:

- Assist City staff and City Council in the planning and rate-setting process associated with the preparation of an updated Integrated Electric Resource and Master Plan in 2018.
- Ensure public participation throughout the planning process.
- Review the forecasted capital needs and rate structure based on:
 - Capacity requirements;
 - System reliability;
 - Economic viability
 - Customer satisfaction;
 - Stakeholder needs;
 - Cost of service recovery;
 - System equity charge; and
 - Renewable energy.
- Determine the costs of expanding the capacity of the Electric Utility's transmission and distribution system to accommodate a growing number of customers, which includes:
 - A review of the current mechanism for recovering those costs;
 - A review of other potential strategies for recovering those costs, including, but not limited to the "system equity connection fee" method and "line extension policy"; and
 - Recommendations to City Council on how to recover those costs.
- Review the plan for continued compliance with established electric system planning criteria.
- Assist staff in developing projects and capital programs which implement strategic goals and initiatives.
- Assist staff in identifying specific generation, transmission, substation, distribution system, and distributed generation improvement projects, budgets and schedules.
- Assist staff in identifying long-range property and right-of-way acquisition requirements.
- Any other matters referred to the Task Force by the City Council.

SECTION 2. The Task Force shall consist of eleven (11) members and four (4) ad hoc non-voting members, comprised as follows:

1. The five (5) members from the Water and Light Advisory Board.
2. Six (6) at-large members to be appointed by City Council, with consideration given to different customer classes and the range of socio-economic classes represented by Electric Utility customers.
3. Four (4) ad hoc non-voting members from the Environment and Energy Commission, Community Development Commission, University of Missouri-Columbia, and Boone Electric Cooperative, each appointed by the respective body. The ad hoc non-voting members shall not be counted toward the attainment of a quorum for meetings of the Task Force

SECTION 3. The Task Force shall be provided reasonable staff support.

SECTION 4. The Task Force shall make a report to the City Council with its findings and recommendations related to the Integrated Electric Resource and Master Plan. The Task Force shall be dissolved upon submission of its final report.

SECTION 5. The City Council shall approve an appropriation, scope of services, and RFP for all work performed under this resolution establishing an integrated electric resource master plan.

ADOPTED this 19th day of March, 2018.

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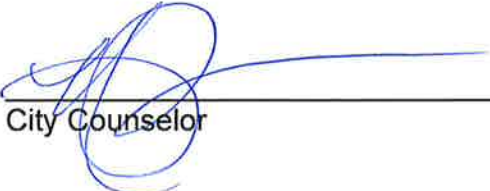


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