

City of Columbia - Water and Light Advisory Board

FY2024 Goals and Objectives

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- 1) Continue to provide guidance and for expanding the utility's renewable energy portfolio to achieve the community's renewable energy ordinance goals.
 - a. Support implementation of City's Community Solar Program
 - b. Participate in work sessions with City Council on TEA renewable energy study
- 2) Seek solutions to further improve the utility's successful demand side management (DSM) and efficiency programs for the community.
 - a. Review and encourage utilization of Federal and State funding opportunities for the City utility and their customers
 - b. Encourage implementation of an EV charging program or rate structure to encourage charging at off peak periods.
 - c. Support the AMI implementation Study
- 3) Continue to Improve WLAB communication with the community and Council, specifically:
 - a. Promote the communities use of the web linked email access to WLAB members and utility staff
 - b. Host a public meeting to seek community input on current water and electric utility issues.
 - c. Submit a FY23 annual report to City Council by the end of calendar year 2023.
- 4) Develop a set of utility rate metrics to evaluate rate affordability and encourage their use them to evaluate future utility rate changes.
- 5) Support the utility staff on the implementation of recommendations from IERMP for distribution and transmission system improvements and expansions.
 - a. Support capital projects to expand the capacity and redundancy of the Perche Creek and Bolstad Substations.
 - b. Support development of a plan to upgrade Hinkson Creek Substation to avoid flooding impact and allow MU to upgrade its requested transmission access.
 - c. Continue to support the development of a transmission plan as recommended by the IERMP recommendations.