City of Duluth

411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Meeting Agenda

Duluth Public Utilities Commission.

Tuesday, August 18, 2020 **5:15 PM** **Council Chambers, City Hall, 411 West First Street**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The Duluth Public Utilities Commission will hold a public hearing by electronic means regarding proposed stormwater rate increases to fund the capital costs of improvements to the City's storm sewer system on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. The purpose of this public hearing will be to discuss the current state of the stormwater utility, to explain the proposed changes to the stormwater rates, and to receive comments from the public regarding the proposed changes.

THE HEARING: The public hearing will be held at the commencement of the regular Commission meeting, which will be held by "other electronic means" pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021 in response to the COVID-19 emergency. Some members of the Board will be participating through video conference.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT: Due to the COVID-19 emergency and the limitation on the use of City facilities, the hearing and regular meeting will be in a virtual, electronic format and not in a personal, public format, and public comment will not be taken in person. However, members of the public can monitor the hearing and meeting and provide public comment on the proposed rate increase and on other agenda items through WebEx Events. Go to https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting to access the meeting. The presentation that will be given at the public hearing pertaining to the stormwater rate increase is posted on the Commission's webpage, https://duluthmn.gov/boards-commissions/duluth-public-utilities-commission/, for public viewing. The public is also encouraged to submit written comment to jbenning@duluthmn.gov prior to the meeting. Please include "August 2020 DPUC Agenda" in the subject line, and include your name and address and the agenda item you are speaking to. The Commission's agenda can be found online at https://duluthmn.gov/boards-commissions/duluth-public-utilities-commission/. Please note that all public comment is considered Public Data.

ROLL CALL

STORMWATER RATE INCREASE PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DPUC022 July 21, 2020 DPUC meeting minutes draft

Attachments: 07212020 DPUC meeting minutes draft

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Stormwater system discussion

NEW BUSINESS

DPUC027 20PUC-002 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING USER CHARGES FOR THE CITY'S STORMWATER UTILITY EFFECTIVE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2021; SUPERSEDING ALL PRIOR INCONSISTENT OR CONFLICTING RATES.

Attachments: 20PUC-002 Stormwater 6-year Rate Increase

2021 utilities budget discussion

DPUC023 2021 Proposed Budget Worksheets

Attachments: 2021 PWU Budget to PUC

DPUC024 Utility 5-year Capital Improvement Plans

Attachments: Water 5-yr CIP
Gas 5-yr CIP
Sewer 5-yr CIP
Storm 5-yr CIP

2021 utility fees

DPUC025 DPUC 2021 Proposed Fees

Attachments: 2021 Fees

DPUC026 20PUC-004 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR VARIOUS UTILITY-RELATED SERVICES.

Attachments: 20PUC-004 2021 utility fees

UPDATES FROM STAFF

COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

UPCOMING COUNCIL ACTIONS

PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS

KNOWN ABSENCES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT