

#### **AGENDA**

Regular Meeting – June 8, 2023 12:00 noon – GUC Board Room

Call to Order

[Chair Kelly Darden]

**Ascertain Quorum** 

[Lindsey Griffin]

Acceptance of the Agenda

[Chair Kelly Darden]

**Safety Brief and Moment** 

[Kevin Keyzer]

Recognition of Damage Prevention Most Valuable Professional: Will Prescott

[Anthony Miller: Howard Corey NC811 Education Liaison]

**Consent Agenda** 

[Tony Cannon]

1. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting: May 18, 2023

#### **Action Items**

- 2. Review of Monthly Financial Statement May 31, 2023 [Jeff McCauley]
- 3. <u>Consideration of Adoption of FY 2023-2024 Budget</u> [Tony Cannon]

#### **Information Items**

- 4. <u>General Manager's Report</u> [Tony Cannon]
- 5. <u>Board Chair's Remarks/Report</u> [Chair Kelly Darden]
- 6. <u>Board Members' Remarks</u> [Board]

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## **Notice of Upcoming Meetings/Functions:** [Chair Kelly Darden]

GUC Regular Meeting, Thursday, July 20, 2023, 12:00 noon

Adjournment 1:00

[Chair Kelly Darden]



### Agenda Item # 1

Meeting Date: June 8, 2023

**Item:** Approval of Minutes

**Contact:** Amy Wade

**Explanation:** Regular Minutes: May 18, 2023

Strategic Plan Elements:

Strategic Themes:

• Exceptional Customer Service

Shaping Our Future

Objectives:

• Exceeding customer expectations

• Embracing change to ensure organizational alignment and

efficiency

Core Values:

• Exceed customers' expectations

• Support the community

• Deliver reliable services

Previous Board Actions:

N/A

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended Action(s):

Approval of minutes as presented or amended

### GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Thursday, May 18, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of the Greenville Utilities Commission met in the Greenville Utilities Board Room in regular session at 12:00 noon with the following members, and others present, and Chair Darden presiding.

#### **Commission Board Members Present:**

Kelly L. Darden, Jr. Ann E. Wall

Peter Geiger Ferrell L. Blount III

Lindsey Griffin Mark Garner (via telephone)

**Tommy Stoughton** 

Marcus Jones was absent.

#### **Commission Staff Present:**

Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO Lou Norris Chris Padgett Kevin Keyzer Jeff McCauley Jonathan Britt Phil Dixon **Tony Godwin** Anthony Miller Jessica Hardy Richie Shreves Michelle Yeager John Worrell Amanda Wall Andy Anderson Chris Bright Steve Hawley David Bunch Wade Corbitt Durk Tyson Colleen Sicley Kim Coggins Ken Wade Kenny McDonald Amy Wade Kevin Lockamy Scott Farmer **Emily Smith** 

LeAnne Wetherington

Carrie Peed

#### Others Attending:

Rick Smiley, City Council Liaison; Ginger Livingston, Daily Reflector; Josh Lewis, Greenville ENC Alliance; and Grace Faller, Jordan Lynch, Matthew Kleino, and Nehak Rathore, City of Greenville Interns; Jeff Monico, Cypress Group of the Sierra Club

Chair Darden called the meeting to order. Secretary Griffin ascertained that a quorum was present.

Commissioner Ann Wall introduced four City of Greenville Interns.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### SAFETY BRIEF AND MOMENT

Mr. Kevin Keyzer, Operations Support Manager, provided a safety brief and explained the plan of action should there be an emergency at today's meeting. Mr. Keyzer provided a safety moment on personal protective equipment (PPE) and protecting ourselves and others.

#### **RECOGNITION OF ILEAD GRADUATES**

Mr. Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO, stated that the iLead program, implemented in 2016, was part of the succession management strategy to plan for GUC's future leadership. The current graduates are the fifth iLead class. Mr. Cannon introduced Richie Shreves, Director of Human Resources. Ms. Shreves stated that the applicants completed an application, assessment and panel interview and were selected for the program. There were 9 participants in the class. Ms. Shreves shared that the group was divided into two teams, each preparing a final project that was presented to the Management Team in May. Ms. Shreves congratulated the 2022-2023 iLead class which totals 82 graduates since its implementation. The iLead program has benefited 36.5% of the graduates with a promotion or increase in responsibility.

The 2022-2023 iLead Class Graduates are as follows:

Chris Bright
 David Bunch
 Gas System Operator I
 Lineworker First Class

3. Kim Coggins Business Analyst II (Finance)

4. Wade Corbitt WTP Instrumentation Controls and Maintenance Crew Leader

5. Kevin Lockamy Mechanic Supervisor6. Kenny McDonald Master Mechanic

7. Emily Smith Staff Support Specialist I (Customer Relations)

8. Amanda Wall Controller

9. LeAnne Wetherington Senior Administrative Assistant (Customer Relations)

#### RECOGNITION OF NC DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SAFETY AWARDS

Mr. Keyzer stated that there are several recognitions for GUC by the North Carolina Department of Labor (NCDOL) Safety Awards. He stated that the NCDOL's Safety Awards Program recognizes private and public organizations throughout the state that maintain good safety records. The Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce along with NCDOL hosted the event for the eastern region on April 20, 2023. Several employers came together to celebrate and GUC was honored to receive 9 Gold awards.

**ADMINISTRATION** Gold - Second Year Gold - Second Year ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT Gold - Sixteenth Year Gold - Tenth Year CUSTOMER RELATIONS DEPARTMENT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT Gold - Second Year Gold - Second Year FINANCE DEPARTMENT Gold - Third Year **EXPRESS OFFICE** Gold - Sixth Year WATER TREATMENT PLANT METER DEPARTMENT Gold - Second Year

(Gold Award - Rate of days away from work, job transfer or restriction was at least 50% below the industry average)

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Jonathan Britt, Manager of Advanced Analytics, announced that System Development Fees are one-time charges assessed to new water and/or sewer customers for their use of system capacity and to recover up-front system capacity costs. The fees are subject to conditions and limitations of the N.C.G.S. 162A Article 8. This statute required conformity no later than July 1, 2018, identifies 3 acceptable fee calculation methods, with a planning horizon of not less than 5 years, nor more than 20 years, and requires adoption of a written supporting analysis updated at least every 5 years. Mr. Britt provided the analysis updated for Water and Sewer System Development Fees that were utilized since 2018 and showed supporting analysis for calculating the 2023 System Development Fees.

The recommended Action is to conduct a public hearing as properly in accordance with N.C.G.S 162A Article 8 and to approve a resolution adopting the updated System Development Fee Supporting Analysis at the June 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. The analysis was posted March 20, 2023, for public review and no emails were received.

As part of the recommended action, Chair Darden announced the public hearing at 12:17 p.m. and explained the procedures to be followed by anyone who wished to speak.

There being no guests who wished to speak during the public hearing, Chair Darden closed the public comment period at 12:18 p.m.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO, presented the following items for approval on the consent agenda:

(Agenda Item 1) Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting: April 20, 2023 (Agenda Item 2) Recommended Approval of a Joint Development and Funding Agreement by and among the City of Greenville, NC, Greenville ENC Alliance, and Greenville Utilities Commission

A motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### REVIEW OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT – APRIL 30, 2023 (Agenda Item 3)

#### **April 30, 2023, Financial Statement:**

Key financial metrics for the combined funds for the period ending April 30, 2023:

Operating Cash: \$79,467,135 Days of Cash on Hand: 122

Less Current Liabilities: (\$22,511,799) Fund Balance: \$56,955,336

Fund Balance Available for Appropriation: 19.8% Days of Cash on Hand After Liabilities: 88

Average Investment Yield: 2.83%

#### Fund Equity/Deficit Before Transfers

	<b>Current Month</b>			Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Last Year	Actual	Budget	Last Year
Electric	(\$758,734)	\$492,304	\$339,404	(\$3,333,567)	(\$1,481,174)	\$2,892,177
Water	\$292,421	\$547,259	\$556,903	\$4,047,628	\$3,734,854	\$4,600,718
Sewer	\$226,106	\$184,643	\$450,185	\$1,467,873	\$395,957	\$3,263,224
Gas	\$126,463	\$584,641	\$181,948	\$2,471,032	(\$723,385)	\$506,165
Combined	(\$113,744)	\$1,808,847	\$1,528,440	\$4,652,966	\$1,926,252	\$11,262,284

#### Fund Equity/Deficit After Transfers

	Current Month			Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Last Year	Actual	Budget	Last Year
Electric	\$41,266	\$908,971	\$39,404	\$119,756	\$2,685,493	\$142,177
Water	\$42,421	\$172,259	\$56,903	\$1,236,092	(\$15,146)	\$490,718
Sewer	\$26,106	\$142,976	\$50,185	\$34,880	(\$20,713)	\$363,224
Gas	\$126,463	\$711,349	\$181,948	\$2,578,629	\$543,698	\$506,165
Combined	\$236,256	\$1,935,555	\$328,440	\$3,969,357	\$3,193,332	\$1,502,284

Mr. Jeff McCauley, Chief Financial Officer, provided a presentation on the Financial Statement for April 30, 2023.

The weather impact for the month of April 2023 indicated that the April Heating degree days were down compared to year, and the Cooling Degrees were higher than last year. The April rainfall was approximately 5.5 inches which was more than last year. The portfolio earned 2.83% for the month of April.

Overall year-to-date results through the end of April remain stable. The Electric Rate Stabilization Reserves are approximately \$21.7 million, and the Gas Rate Stabilization Reserves are \$3.8 million. The Operating Reserves are 122 Days Cash on Hand, and Renewals and Replacements Reserves are approximately \$2.6 million. The Capital Project Funds Reserved for Existing and Future Capital Projects are approximately \$29.5 million.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Geiger, seconded Mr. Blount, to accept the April 30, 2023, Financial Report. The motion carried unanimously.

## CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF FY 2022-2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS (Agenda Item 4)

Mr. Cannon shared that each year a budget amendment is needed to balance out the budget. Mr. McCauley stated that actual operating results for nine months of the fiscal year have been evaluated to derive year-end projections. Staff is proposing the fiscal year 2022-23 budget be amended to reflect year-end projections and to amend certain capital projects budgets. The budget ordinance for the City Council's consideration was provided for review.

Mr. McCauley provided a high-level overview of the FY 2022-23 budget amendment that will need approval by City Council at its June meeting.

Major budgetary adjustments to the operating funds are listed below:

#### **Operations**:

Revenues	
Rates and Charges	(\$3,006,440)
Fees and Charges	(237,370)
Miscellaneous	(241,899)
Interest on Investments	682,000
Bond Proceeds	(274,800)
Transfer from Rate Stabilization	(2,520,500)
Total	(\$5,599,009)
Expenditures	
Operations	\$637,838
Purchased Power	(5,657,355)
Purchased Gas	(2,136,082)
Capital Outlay	848,504
Debt Service	(512,543)
Transfer to Rate Stabilization	750,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	400,000
Operating Contingencies	70,629

Mr. Cannon noted that these amendments reflect a change in the annual budget from \$288 million to \$282 million.

Major changes to capital projects are listed below:

Total

(a) The revenues anticipated to be available to complete the projects are amended as follows.

Line					
#	Revenue Description	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	_	<u>Revised</u>
1	Proceeds from long-term debt	\$8,350,000	\$7,600,000		15,950,000
2	Capital projects fund balance	500,000	891,700		1,391,700
3	System development fees	0	1,500,000		1,500,000
4	EDA Grant	4,500,000	0		4,500,000
5		\$13,350,000	\$9,991,700		\$23,341,700

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#### (b) The amounts appropriated for the projects are amended as follows:

Project Description

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	ECP10168 POD #3 to Simpson Substation 115kV			
6	Transmission Loop	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000
7	ECP10174 Electric System Expansion	2,500,000	(1,608,300)	891,700
8	WCP-124 Residual Lagoon Improvements	1,250,000	500,000	1,750,000
9	SCP10238 WWTP Clarifier Replacement Project	7,500,000	5,100,000	12,600,000
10	SCP10245 Frog Level Pump Station Improvements	1,500,000	0	1,500,000
11		\$13,350,000	\$9,991,700	\$23,341,700

# GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES ALL FUNDS

	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Change	2022-2023 Revised
REVENUE:			
Rates & Charges	\$ 274,761,943	\$ (3,006,440)	\$ 271,755,503
Fees & Charges	2,518,247	(218,022)	2,300,225
U. G. & Temporary Service Charges	434,348	(19,348)	415,000
Miscellaneous	2,880,665	(241,899)	2,638,766
Interest on Investments	408,000	682,000	1,090,000
Bond Proceeds	274,800	(274,800)	-
Transfer from Rate Stabilization	6,520,500	(2,520,500)	4,000,000
	\$ 287,798,503	\$ (5,599,009)	\$ 282,199,494
EXPENDITURES:			
Operations	\$ 82,568,039	\$ 637,838	\$ 83,205,877
Purchased Power	134,080,724	(5,657,355)	128,423,369
Purchased Gas	30,925,416	(2,136,082)	28,789,334
Capital Outlay	14,598,261	848,504	15,446,765
Debt Service	12,674,956	(512,543)	12,162,413
City Turnover - General	6,059,364	-	6,059,364
Street Light Reimbursement	979,944	-	979,944
Transfer to OPEB Trust	500,000	-	500,000
Transfer to Rate Stabilization	-	750,000	750,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	5,000,000	400,000	5,400,000
Operating Contingencies	411,799	70,629	482,428
	\$ 287,798,503	\$ (5,599,009)	\$ 282,199,494

# GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES ELECTRIC FUND

	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Change	2022-2023 Revised
REVENUE:			
Rates & Charges	\$ 179,718,246	\$ (4,798,095)	\$ 174,920,151
Fees & Charges	1,346,990	(76,490)	1,270,500
U. G. & Temporary Service Charges	414,348	(19,348)	395,000
Miscellaneous	2,293,039	(262,020)	2,031,019
Interest on Investments	240,000	440,000	680,000
Bond Proceeds	217,683	(217,683)	-
Transfer from Rate Stabilization	5,000,000	(1,000,000)	4,000,000
	\$ 189,230,306	\$ (5,933,636)	\$ 183,296,670
EXPENDITURES:			
Operations	\$ 34,884,562	\$ (698,812)	\$ 34,185,750
Purchased Power	134,080,724	(5,657,355)	128,423,369
Capital Outlay	9,722,316	342,083	10,064,399
Debt Service	4,669,709	(358,660)	4,311,049
City Turnover - General	4,356,852	-	4,356,852
Street Light Reimbursement	979,944	-	979,944
Transfer to OPEB Trust	275,000	-	275,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	-	500,000	500,000
Operating Contingencies	261,199	(60,892)	200,307
	\$ 189,230,306	\$ (5,933,636)	\$ 183,296,670

# GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES WATER FUND

	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Change	2022-2023 Revised
REVENUE:			
Rates & Charges	\$ 24,399,360	\$ 402,727	\$ 24,802,087
Fees & Charges	500,538	(98,038)	402,500
U. G. & Temporary Service Charges	20,000	-	20,000
Miscellaneous	265,823	(9,586)	256,237
Interest on Investments	53,000	72,000	125,000
<b>Bond Proceeds</b>	19,039	(19,039)	
	\$ 25,257,760	\$ 348,064	\$ 25,605,824

#### **EXPENDITURES:**

Operations	\$ 16,919,891	\$ 1,245,757	\$ 18,165,648
Capital Outlay	1,502,110	554,489	2,056,599
Debt Service	2,183,442	8,122	2,191,564
Transfer to OPEB Trust	75,000	-	75,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	4,500,000	(1,500,000)	3,000,000
Operating Contingencies	77,317	39,696	117,013
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	\$ 25,257,760	\$ 348,064	\$ 25,605,824

# GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES SEWER FUND

REVENUE:	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Change	2022-2023 Revised
Rates & Charges	\$ 24,135,503	\$ 542,514	\$ 24,678,017
Fees & Charges	485,732	(35,507)	450,225
Miscellaneous	148,207	(22,209)	125,998
Interest on Investments	45,000	65,000	110,000
Bond Proceeds	38,078	(38,078)	
EXPENDITURES:	\$ 24,852,520	\$ 511,720	\$ 25,364,240
Operations Capital Outlay	\$ 17,780,941 1,767,235	\$ (72,830) 49,284	\$ 17,708,111 1,816,519
Debt Service	4,657,173	(169,121)	4,488,052
Transfer to OPEB Trust	75,000	(103,121)	75,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	500,000	650,000	1,150,000
Operating Contingencies	72,171	54,387	126,558
	\$ 24,852,520	\$ 511,720	\$ 25,364,240

#### GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES GAS FUND

	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Change	2022-2023 Revised
REVENUE:			
Rates & Charges	\$ 46,508,834	\$ 846,414	\$ 47,355,248
Fees & Charges	184,987	(7,987)	177,000
Miscellaneous	173,596	51,916	225,512
Interest on Investments	70,000	105,000	175,000
Transfer from Rate Stabilization	1,520,500	(1,520,500)	-
	\$ 48,457,917	\$ (525,157)	\$ 47,932,760

#### **EXPENDITURES:**

Operations	\$ 12,982,645	\$ 163,723	\$ 13,146,368
Purchased Gas	30,925,416	(2,136,082)	28,789,334
Capital Outlay	1,606,600	(97,352)	1,509,248
Debt Service	1,164,632	7,116	1,171,748
City Turnover	1,702,512	-	1,702,512
Transfer to OPEB Trust	75,000	-	75,000
Transfer to Rate Stabilization	-	750,000	750,000
Transfer to Capital Projects	-	750,000	750,000
Operating Contingencies	1,112	37,438	38,550
	\$ 48,457,917	\$ (525,157)	\$ 47,932,760

## Greenville Utilities Commission Capital Project Budget As of May 18, 2023

	Current		Revised
Project Name	Budget	Change	Budget
ECP10168 POD #3 to Simpson	Substation 115kV Ti	ransmission Loop	
Revenues:			
Long-Term Debt	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000
Expenditures:	¢600,000	¢c 000 000	¢c coo ooo
Project Costs	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000
Total Expenditures	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000

## Greenville Utilities Commission Capital Project Budget As of May 18, 2023

	Current		Revised
Project Name	Budget	Change	Budget
ECP10174 Electric System Expansion			
Revenues:			
Long-Term Debt	\$2,500,000	\$(2,500,000)	\$ -
Capital Projects Fund Balance		891,700	891,700
Total Revenue	\$2,500,000	\$(1,608,300)	\$891,700

#### **Expenditures:**

Project Costs	\$2,500,000	\$(1,608,300)	\$891,700
Total Expenditures	\$2,500,000	\$(1,608,300)	\$891,700

## Greenville Utilities Commission Capital Project Budget As of May 18, 2023

	Current		Revised
Project Name	Budget	Change	Budget
WCP-124 Residual Lagoon Improven	nents		
Revenues:			
Long-Term Debt	\$1,250,000	\$ -	\$1,250,000
System Development Fees	-	500,000	500,000
Total Revenue	\$1,250,000	\$500,000	\$1,750,000
Expenditures:			
Project Costs	\$1,250,000	\$500,000	\$1,750,000
Total Expenditures	\$1,250,000	\$500,000	\$1,750,000

## Greenville Utilities Commission Capital Project Budget As of May 18, 2023

	Current		Revised
Project Name	Budget	Change	Budget
SCP10238 WWTP Clarifier	Replacement Project		
Revenues:			
Long-Term Debt	\$3,000,000	\$5,100,000	\$ 8,100,000
EDA Grant	4,500,000	-	4,500,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$7,500,000	\$5,100,000	\$12,600,000
Expenditures:			
Project Costs	\$7,500,000	\$5,100,000	\$12,600,000
Total Expenditures	\$7,500,000	\$5,100,000	\$12,600,000

#### **Greenville Utilities Commission Capital Project Budget** As of May 18, 2023

	Current			Revi	sed
Project Name	Budget	Cl	nange	Budget	
SCP10245 Frog Level Pump Station I	mprovements				
Revenues:					
Long-Term Debt	\$1,000,000	\$(1,0	00,000)	\$	-
Capital Projects Fund Balance	500,000	-		500,000	
System Development Fees		1,0	00,000	1,000	,000
Total Revenue	\$1,500,000	\$	-	\$1,500	,000
Expenditures:					
Project Costs	\$1,500,000	\$	-	\$1,500	,000
Total Expenditures	\$1,500,000	\$	_	\$1,500	,000

#### ORDINANCE NO. 23-CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA TO AMEND THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION 2022-23 BUDGET, AND TO AMEND VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGETS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES ORDAIN:

<u>Section I. Estimated Net Revenues and Fund Balances</u>. It is estimated that the following non-tax revenues and fund balances will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 to meet the subsequent expenditures according to the following schedules:

	<u>Revenues</u>		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	Revised
A.	Electric Fund				
	Rates & Charges		\$179,718,246	(\$4,798,095)	\$174,920,151
	Fees & Charges		1,761,338	(95,838)	1,665,500
	Miscellaneous		2,293,039	(262,020)	2,031,019
	Interest on Investments		240,000	440,000	680,000
	Bond Proceeds		217,683	(217,683)	0
	Transfer from Rate Stabilization		5,000,000	(1,000,000)	4,000,000
	Total Electric Fund Revenue		\$189,230,306	(\$5,933,636)	\$183,296,670
В.	Water Fund				
	Rates & Charges		\$24,399,360	\$402,727	\$24,802,087
	Fees & Charges		520,538	(98,038)	422,500
	Miscellaneous		265,823	(9,586)	256,237
	Interest on Investments		53,000	72,000	125,000
	Bond Proceeds		19,039	(19,039)	0
	Total Water Fund Revenue		\$25,257,760	\$348,064	\$25,605,824
C.	Sewer Fund				
	Rates & Charges		\$24,135,503	\$542,514	\$24,678,017
	Fees & Charges		485,732	(35,507)	450,225
	Miscellaneous		148,207	(22,209)	125,998
	Interest on Investments		45,000	65,000	110,000
	Bond Proceeds		38,078	(38,078)	0
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	Total Sewer Fund Revenue	\$24,852,520	\$511,720	\$25,364,240
D.	Gas Fund			
	Rates & Charges	\$46,508,834	\$846,414	\$47,355,248
	Fees & Charges	184,987	(7,987)	177,000
	Miscellaneous	173,596	51,916	225,512
	Interest on Investments	70,000	105,000	175,000
	Transfer from Rate Stabilization	1,520,500	(1,520,500)	0
	Total Gas Fund Revenue	\$48,457,917	(\$525,157)	\$47,932,760
	Total Revenues	\$287,798,503	(\$5,599,009)	\$282,199,494

<u>Section II. Expenditures</u>. The following amounts are hereby estimated for the Greenville Utilities Commission to be expended for managing, operating, improving, maintaining, and extending electric, water, sewer and gas utilities during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2023, according to the following schedules:

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	Revised
Electric Fund	\$189,230,306	(\$5,933,636)	\$183,296,670
Water Fund	25,257,760	348,064	25,605,824
Sewer Fund	24,852,520	511,720	25,364,240
Gas Fund	48,457,917	(525,157)	47,932,760
Total Expenditures	\$287,798,503	(\$5,599,009)	\$282,199,494

Section III. Capital Projects. The following Capital Project Budgets previously established are hereby amended.

(a) The revenues anticipated to be available to complete the projects are amended as follows.

Line #	Revenue Description	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	_	<u>Revised</u>
1	Proceeds from long-term debt	\$14,100,000	\$7,200,000		\$21,300,000
2	Capital projects fund balance	1,000,000	891,700		1,891,700
3	System development fees	0	1,500,000		1,500,000
4	Grant ARP DEQ	0	400,000		400,000
5	EDA Grant	4,500,000	0		4,500,000
6		\$19,600,000	\$9,991,700		\$29,591,700

(b) The amounts appropriated for the projects are amended as follows:

**Project Description** 

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7	ECP10168 POD #3 to Simpson Substation 115kV Transmission Loop	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,600,000
8	ECP10174 Electric System Expansion	2,500,000	(1,608,300)	891,700
9	WCP-124 Residual Lagoon Improvements	1,250,000	500,000	1,750,000
10	WCP10030 Water Distribution System Improvements	6,250,000	0	6,250,000
11	SCP10238 WWTP Clarifier Replacement Project	7,500,000	5,100,000	12,600,000
12	SCP10245 Frog Level Pump Station Improvements	1,500,000	0	1,500,000
13	, · · ·	\$19,600,000	\$9,991,700	\$29,591,700

<sup>(</sup>c) The capital project revenues and expenditures authorizations shall extend from year to year until each project is completed.

#### Section IV. Amendments.

- (a) Pursuant to General Statutes 159-15, these budgets may be amended by submission of proposed changes to the City Council.
- (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) above, the General Manager/CEO of Greenville Utilities Commission is authorized to transfer funds from one appropriation to another in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Any such transfers shall be reported to the Greenville Utilities Commission and the City Council at their next regular meeting and shall be entered in the minutes.
- (c) In case of emergency which threatens the lives, health, or safety of the public, the General Manager/CEO may authorize expenditures in an amount necessary to meet the emergency so long as the expenditure(s) is/are reported to the Greenville Utilities Commission as soon as possible, and appropriate budget amendments are submitted to the City Council, if necessary, at its next meeting.
- (d) Capital Projects listed in section III may be amended on an individual project basis.

<u>Section V: Distribution</u>. Copies of this ordinance shall be furnished to the General Manager/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Greenville Utilities Commission, and the Director of Financial Services of the City of Greenville to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this the 5th day of June, 202	3.
Attest:	/s/ P. J. Connelly, Mayor
/s/ Valerie Shiuwegar. City C	<u> </u>

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION, OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, A BODY POLITIC DULY CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ONE OR MORE FINANCING(S) FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMBINED ENTERPRISE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 861 of the 1991 Session Laws of North Carolina, the Greenville Utilities Commission (the "Commission") has been created for the proper management of the public utilities of the City of Greenville, North Carolina (the "City"), comprising an electric system, a natural gas system, a sanitary sewer system and a water system within and without the corporate limits of the City, (collectively the "Combined Enterprise System") with responsibility for the entire supervision and control of the management, operation, maintenance, improvement and extension of the Combined Enterprise System;

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations prescribes specific procedures which will be applicable to certain bonds, notes or other indebtedness ("Debt") issued by or on behalf of the Commission and the City including, without limitation, a requirement that the City declare official intent to reimburse certain expenditures with proceeds of Debt to be incurred prior to, or within sixty (60) days of, payment of the expenditures to be reimbursed;

WHEREAS, the Commission has identified certain improvements (the "Additional Improvements") to the Combined Enterprise System that have been and must be funded from available funds pending reimbursement from the proceeds of Debt to be issued for such purposes;

WHEREAS, the Additional Improvements consist of an electric substation transmission loop, electric system expansion, lagoon and pump station improvements, and a clarifier replacement project; now, therefore,

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION as follows;

- 1. The City is hereby requested to give favorable consideration to and pass the proposed resolution, which resolution (the "Reimbursement Resolution") effectively would provide for the reimbursement to the Commission from the proceeds of one or more Debt financing(s) (estimated to be \$23,341,700) for certain expenditures for the Additional Improvements made not more than 60 days prior to the adoption of the Reimbursement Resolution, the Commission having determined that such adoption will be in the best interests of the Combined Enterprise System.
- 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and a certified copy thereof shall be provided to the City Clerk for presentation to the City Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Adopted this the $18^{th}$ day of May, 2023.	
	/s/ Kelly L. Darden, Jr., Chair
ATTEST:	
/s/ Lindsey Griffin Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
/s/ Phillip R. Dixon	

General Counsel

RESOLUTION NO. 23-\_\_
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WHEREAS, the Commission has determined to pay certain expenditures (the "Expenditures") incurred no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof and thereafter relating to the acquisition and construction of certain improvements (collectively, the "Additional Improvements") more fully described below;

WHEREAS, the Additional Improvements consist of an electric substation transmission loop, electric system expansion, lagoon and pump station improvements, and a clarifier replacement project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City has determined that those moneys previously advanced by the Commission no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof to pay such Expenditures are available only on a temporary period and that it is necessary to reimburse the Commission for the Expenditures from the proceeds of one or more issues of Debt;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The City hereby declares concurrence with the Commission's intent to reimburse the Commission from the proceeds of the Debt for the Expenditures made with respect to the Additional Improvements no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof and thereafter.

Section 2. Each Expenditure was or will be either (a) of a type chargeable to capital account under general federal income tax principles (determined as of the date of the Expenditures), (b) the cost of issuance with respect to the Debt, (c) a non-recurring item that is not customarily payable from current revenues of the Combined Enterprise System, or (d) a grant to a party that is not related to or an agent of the Commission or City so long as such grant does not impose any obligation or condition (directly or indirectly) to repay any amount to or for the benefit of the Commission or City.

<u>Section 3</u>. The principal amount of the Debt estimated to be issued to reimburse the Commission for Expenditures for the Additional Improvements is estimated to be not more than \$23,341,700.

Section 4. The Commission and the City will make a reimbursement allocation, which is a written allocation by the Commission and the City that evidences the Commission's use of proceeds of the Debt to reimburse an Expenditure no later than 18 months after the later of the date on which such Expenditure is paid or the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three years after the date on which the Expenditure is paid. The City recognizes that exceptions are available for certain "preliminary expenditures," costs of issuance, certain deminimis amounts, (expenditures by "small issuers" based on the year of issuance and not the year of expenditure), and expenditures for construction projects of at least 5 years.

<u>Section 5</u>. This declaration of official intent is made pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations.

<u>Section 6</u>. The resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

	/s/ P. J. Connelly, Mayor
ATTEST:	
/g/ Valorio Chinyyagar	
/s/ Valerie Shiuwegar City Clerk	

After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Wall, seconded by Mr. Blount, to adopt the fiscal year 2022-23 budget amendment and reimbursement resolution which includes certain capital projects budget amendments as shown. Recommend similar action by City Council. The motion carried unanimously.

## <u>UPDATE FROM GREENVILLE ENC ALLIANCE PRESIDENT JOSH LEWIS ON ITS STRATEGIC PLAN (Agenda Item 5)</u>

Mr. Josh Lewis, President of the Greenville ENC Alliance, provided an update on its strategic plan. Mr. Lewis stated that its previous plan was focused on capital campaign and working with investors and there was a lack of a road map with activities and outcomes. The Alliance has since developed strategic plan objectives as follows:

- Identify shared economic development goals for the metro (Greenville-Pitt County)
- Develop the strategies and tactics needed to achieve those objectives
- Secure alignment on who should do what, when, over what time period, and with what resources
- Align on the metrics that should track to ensure success

Through documenting observations and findings, the strategic plan goals were created.

To implement the strategic plan, year one the Alliance will lay foundation and continue business development, focus on core and next-gen industries, kick off site prioritization study, execute and coordinate marketing and promotion strategy, and implement and coordinate Business Rule Engine (BRE) programming and support. In year two the Alliance will expand initiatives and continue business development focus on core and next-gen industries, continue site and marketing strategy execution, work with partners to execute creative and knowledge industry cultivation, and leverage research and benchmarking to support policy advocacy coordination. And in years three through five the Alliance will scale impact and continue business development, sites, and marketing strategy execution, expand product development strategy to include industrial buildings, execute targeted initiative(s) to support scalable entrepreneurial and innovation startups, and identify high-impact opportunities to support partners in enabler categories like talent, quality of life, and opportunity creation.

As part of product development, Greenville ENC Alliance owns a shell building and is bringing on partners to cover carrying cost with a plan to get the building occupied before any money is owed. This option was created as a lower risk than original plan to construct a new building.

Mr. Lewis added that starting businesses in the area is going well. However, there is a need for employment so one initiative is to attract a sector of employers that will gain employees and maintain them over time. By doing the activities that have been laid out in their plan, it will provide positive outcomes with an increase in employment, average wage, labor, and tax base.

Mr. Lewis talked about how investors continue to come online. The current investor make up is about 50% private sector and 50% public sector dollars.

#### GENERAL MANAGER'S/CEO REPORT (Agenda Item 6)

#### 1. <u>Informational Reading</u>

Bids and Request for Qualifications, Statistical Data Report, Sewer Spill Tracking Report, Load Management Report, and PGA Report were provided.

The following Ranking of Proposals and Qualifications, Bids and Re-Bids awarded by the General Manager/CEO during the past month were reported for information:

#### GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION RANKING OF BIDS RECEIVED

#### **GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION**

#### **RANKING OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED**

GAS LEAK DETECTION & ATMOSPHERIC CORROSION SURVEY SERVICES MARCH 30, 2023 @ 11:00 AM

VENDOR PROPOSAL RANKING
Southern Cross Corp. *
OMARK Consultants, Inc.
Leak Detection Service, Inc.
Heath Consultants, Inc.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended vendor to negotiate a contract.

#### **TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED**

2,160' - WIRE, #4 INSULATED COPPER XLP4 GUC STK# 208730, 12,000' - WIRE, 2/0 - 600V UG TRIPLEX GUC STK# 201250, 5,400' - WIRE, #2 TRIPLEX CABLE (OH) XLP GUC STK# 204630, 2,000' - WIRE, 4/0 UG QUADPLEX GUC STK# 201270 4,420lbs. - WIRE, 1/0 ACSR GUC STK# 204570

APRIL 6, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE #4 INSULATED XLP4	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Priority W&C	20-22	\$1.552	\$3,352.32*
Bell Electrical Supply Co, Inc.	N/A	1	1.647	3,557.52(1)
American Wire Group	_			-

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 2/0 600V UG TRIPLEX	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Priority W&C	1	\$4.90	\$9,800.00*
Bell Electrical Supply Co, Inc.	N/A	1	4.841	9,682.00(1)
American Wire Group	AWG	2	5.50	11,000.00(1)

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE #2 TRIPLEX (OH) XLP	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Southwire	1	\$3.1187	\$37,424.40*
Bell Electrical Supply Co, Inc.	N/A	1	2.447	29,364.00(1)
American Wire Group				

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 4/0 UG QUADPLEX	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Southwire	1	\$1.193	\$6,442.20*
American Wire Group	AWG	2	1.50	8,100.00(1)
Bell Electrical Supply Co, Inc.	N/A	1	1.848	9,972.20(1)

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 1/0 ACSR	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Southwire	1	\$3.12	\$13,790.40*
Bell Electrical Supply Co, Inc.	N/A	1	3.83	18,384.00(1)
American Wire Group	AWG	2	4.85	23,280.00(1)

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

#### **RANKING OF QUALIFICATIONS RECEIVED**

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES SOQ APRIL 11, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDOR QUALIFICATION RANKING
GEI Consultants of North Carolina, PC*
Terracon Consultants, Inc.*
CATLIN Engineers & Scientists*
Timmons Group
ECS Southeast, LLP
NOVA Engineering & Environmental, Inc.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates the ranking order, top three, based on their submissions and qualifications.

#### **TABULATION OF RE-BIDS RECEIVED**

AYDEN-GRIFTON HIGH SCHOOL NATURAL GAS MAIN EXTENSION APRIL 27, 2023 @ 4:00 PM

VENDORS	TOTAL
Classic City Mechanical, Inc.	\$216,865.00*
Directional Services, Inc.	315,610.00
Mears Group, Inc.	724,977.18

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

The Duke Energy Progress (DEP) monthly peak occurred on April 6, 2023, for the hour ending at 5:00 p.m. GUC's load management system was in full operation during this period. As a result, the estimated avoided demand costs amount to \$1,637,447.

#### 2. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

The Corporate KPI report was provided.

#### 3. <u>Commendations</u>

• Customer Mary M. Norris, a former Greenville Utilities employee, called to compliment Chris Rouse, Blake Beddard, Carson Knight, and Allen Brooks for demonstrating their respect during a funeral procession for her mother while working on East Avenue Road in Ayden. She stated that she was so honored and blown away by them taking the time to stop what they were doing and put their hands over their chest as the funeral procession passed. She said that their act of kindness during that difficult time in her life really made her day and they were to be commended for their kindness. Employees' Name: Gas Systems Crew Leader II Chris Rouse, Gas Systems Technician II Blake Beddard and Carson Knight, and Gas Systems Technician I Allen Brooks.

<sup>(1)</sup> Indicates vendor did not meet minimum specifications.

- Customer Elizabeth Mitchell called to compliment Chris Wallace and Adam Wilson for providing excellent customer service while performing a routine meter change. She stated that they were very nice, helpful, and knowledgeable. In addition, she was very grateful for them taking the time to explain to her and the plumber about an existing leak on her piping. **Employees' Name:** Gas Service Specialist II Chris Wallace and Gas Service Specialist I Adam Wilson.
- Customer Brad Rawls, Wimco Corporation Superintendent, emailed Gas Engineering Assistant I Joey Breeden to compliment Michael Mills, Ramsey Covington, Stephen Roebuck, Willie Boyd, and Mickey Dawson for providing excellent customer service while working on the ACES project on Worthington Road. He stated that the Gas crew worked hard and knocked out a big scope of work for the ACES site. Moreover, he stated that the Gas crew has made it a great process from the planning to the gas installation and it was his pleasure to work with such a great group of guys. Employees' Name: Gas System Crew Leader II Michael Mills and Gas System Technician IV Ramsey Covington, Stephen Roebuck, Willie Boyd, and Mickey Dawson.
- Customer David Johnson called Meter Superintendent Jason Hardee and left a voice mail message to compliment Ernest Overton. Ernest had arrived at Mr. Johnson's property, and he stated that Ernest showed kindness and humanity. He said that Ernest went beyond what he had to do to help him with this situation and made a difference in his life today. **Employee's Name:** Meter Field Tech II Ernest Overton.
- Lou Norris, Secretary to the General Manager/CEO, received a text message from Mr. Brad Griffin complimenting Mandy and a field technician that responded to his email that he sent to the hotline. He wrote, "Hi, Lou, I wanted to send you a GUC fan letter. Maybe you can pass it on. I emailed the GUC hotline last night at 1:15 a.m. because we've had some intermittent partial power issues last couple of days. Last night stuff was cutting on and off like crazy. Just some circuits at various times. GUC came first thing this morning and fixed it right away. I got a call from Mandy in customer service, and a call from the technician in the field when he was done. Just amazing service!" Employees' Name: Customer Contact Representative I Mandy Coldren; Troubleshooter Crew Leader Casey Jones; and Lineworker Third Class Jordan Bradshaw.

#### 4. Other

- Mr. Cannon shared that he presented the GUC 2023-2024 budget to the City Council of the City of Greenville last week and it went well overall.
- Mr. Cannon announced that the North Carolina Association of Municipal Electric Systems (NCAMES) lineman rodeo is being held in Greenville, North Carolina today at the Greenville Convention Center and invited everyone to go out and see the competition.
- Safety awards received from the North Carolina Department of Labor show the importance GUC has on safety. Recently several staff attended and participated in the DEKRA Safety in Action Conference where the message was not about numbers but saving lives.

#### BOARD CHAIR'S REMARKS/REPORT (Agenda Item 7)

Chair Darden shared how important it is to stay safe and to be recognized in receiving safety awards each year by the NC Department of Labor. He added that the safety reminders from Operations Support Manager Kevin Keyzer are always applicable for GUC employees and others at home. He next commended the 2022-2023 iLead graduates on completion of their program and welcomed the City of Greenville interns.

Chair Darden announced the GUC Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 12:00 noon.

#### **BOARD MEMBER REMARKS:**

Commissioner Garner added that he enjoyed seeing the compliments from customers about GUC employees listed in the agenda packet

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners in Regular Session	n,
upon motion by Mr. Blount, seconded by Mr. Geiger, the Board of Commissioners unanimously	y
agreed to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 1:01 p.m.	

	Respectfully submitted,
APPROVED:	Amy Wade, Executive Secretary
Lindsey Griffin, Secretary	



### Agenda Item # 3

Meeting Date: June 8, 2023

Item: Consideration of Adoption of FY 2023-24 Budget

**Contact:** Tony Cannon

**Explanation:** Highlights of the FY 2023-24 proposed budget are listed below:

- Expenditures budgeted for FY 2023-24 have increased by 2.3%, or \$6.6M, when compared to the FY 2022-23 budget. Key points are:
  - o \$4.8M increase in operations
  - o \$2.8M increase in purchased power
  - o \$2.3M increase in capital outlay
  - o \$2.8M decrease in purchased gas
  - o \$2.2M increase in debt service
  - o \$2.8M decrease in transfers to capital projects
- No rate adjustment for the Electric Fund, the same as last year's forecast
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- No rate adjustment for the Sewer Fund, a 1.1% reduction from last year's forecast
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- Funding for a 2.0% employee merit/market adjustment
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• Annual turnover or transfer of \$7.1M to the City of Greenville in accordance with the Charter issued by the North Carolina General Assembly

Highlights of the FY 2023-24 capital budget are listed below:

• GUC continues to make investments in capital projects to maintain reliability, meet ongoing regulatory requirements, and remain strategically positioned to facilitate growth. To that end, in FY 2023-24, GUC will be establishing capital projects totaling \$10.75M.

Project Type	Project Description	<b>Project Amount</b>
Electric	Hudson's Crossroads Substation	\$4,000,000
Electric	POD Transformer Replacement	4,250,000
Water	WTP Lab Upgrades	1,000,000
Gas	Gas System Improvements for Industry and Commercial	1,500,000
	<u>Total</u>	\$10,750,000

### Strategic Plan Elements:

#### Strategic Themes:

- Exceptional Customer Service
- Safety, Reliability & Value
- Shaping Our Future

#### Objectives:

- Safely providing reliable and innovative utility solutions
- Exceeding customer expectations
- Providing competitive rates, while maintaining the financial stability of the utility
- Developing and enhancing strategic partnerships
- Embracing change to ensure organizational alignment and efficiency

#### Core Values:

- Exceed Customers' Expectations
- Act with Integrity
- Value Employees
- Deliver Reliable Services
- Prioritize Safety
- Support the Community

## **Previous Board Actions:**

April 20, 2023 – Board adopted the Preliminary FY 2023-24 Budget as recommended by staff and the Board Finance/Audit Committee

Fiscal Note: N/A

## Recommended Action(s):

The staff recommends the Board adopt the following:

- GUC's proposed FY 2023-24 Operating and Capital Projects Budgets
- Reimbursement Resolution Capital Projects
- Reimbursement Resolution Operations Equipment and Vehicle Purchases
- Resolution adopting System Development Fees Supporting Analysis

Recommend the Board request the City Council to take similar action and adopt GUC's budget and include it in the City's overall budget as well as adopt the City Ordinance and associated Reimbursement Resolutions.



Greenville Utilities Commission Board of Commissioners Greenville City Council Customers of Greenville Utilities

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Greenville Utilities Commission (GUC) is pleased to present the FY 2023-24 Budget that was developed using the values and objectives identified in our "Blueprint – GUC's Strategic Plan." Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for those we serve by safely providing reliable utility solutions at the lowest reasonable cost, with exceptional customer service in an environmentally responsible manner. Our mission has been put to the test in recent years in response to the global pandemic. Sustaining our resiliency through infrastructure maintenance and growth, rate stability, and the services and products we provide have been a top priority for the Commission to remain a catalyst for economic growth in our region.

GUC provides retail electric, water, sewer, and natural gas services, and also provides wholesale water and sewer services to some surrounding communities. Providing these utility services differentiates GUC from many other utilities around the country.

#### **Executive Summary**

The Commission's budget maintains several key financial metrics including debtservice coverage ratios, fund balance (as defined by the NC Local Government Commission), and days cash on hand. These metrics are reviewed for each fund and at the enterprise level. Maintaining these metrics at the fund level ensures the longterm sustainability of GUC to continue meeting its mission and future financial objectives.

Guiding all budgetary decisions is GUC's Strategic Plan, which emphasizes our commitment to providing exceptional service while maintaining a viable financial position. The Commission utilizes Key Performance Indicators at the corporate level on a consistent basis to monitor our effectiveness in implementing the objectives identified in the Strategic Plan. Therefore, GUC's budget goals are designed to achieve the following:

- Safely provide reliable utility solutions at the lowest reasonable cost
- Provide exceptional customer service in an environmentally responsible manner
- Position GUC to achieve greater efficiencies
- Continue to meet regulatory requirements
- Minimize rate increases
- Avoid future rate shock
- Maintain Key Performance Indicators for each fund
- Be operationally and financially prepared for emergency situations
- Be prepared for growth and expansion opportunities

- Preserve and/or improve bond ratings
- Support economic development in our community

The balancing process for the budget addressed several areas, including the review and analysis of the following:

- The ability for all four funds to be self-supporting on a sustained basis
- Continued investment in infrastructure
- Appropriate timing of expenditures for capital projects
- Revenues
- Personnel and staffing
- Cost-saving opportunities
- The updated financial models, with a focus on keeping rates as affordable as possible, while maintaining financial stability

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#### **Key Factors Affecting the FY 2023-24 Budget**

As the Commission begins its 118<sup>th</sup> year of providing utility services, many challenges and opportunities present themselves regarding the development of the budget.

#### **Commodity Costs**

The largest expenditures in the 2023-24 budget are for the purchased commodities of electricity and natural gas. Ensuring a constant, steady, and reasonably priced supply of power and natural gas is one of the most important challenges.

The supply of electricity is influenced by many factors including the cost of fuel for generation, the availability of that supply, and other economic and international events. Power supply can often be impacted by outages at nuclear plants, unplanned maintenance and repairs for reactors and generators, and price fluctuations in fossil fuels. The delivery of electricity to the Commission through long transmission lines can be impacted by damages caused by weather or other factors.

The supply of natural gas for the Commission, which is primarily dependent on sources located in the Gulf of Mexico, offers challenges as well. Weather is always a factor in the delivery of utility services. Events, such as hurricanes and winter storms, can impact the flow of natural gas to our area and can result in higher purchase prices and delivery costs for the commodity. Interruptions or price spikes impact costs, and can also impact revenues as consumers often use less gas as prices rise.

To address these issues, the Commission has entered into contracts to receive and provide a constant and steady supply of electricity. Additionally, at several customer sites, there are peak-shaving generators the utility uses to offset periods of heavy load. Mutual aid contracts are in place with other utilities to offer assistance when major weather events cause disruptions.

The Gas Fund operates a liquefied natural gas plant to inject natural gas into the system during periods of high usage. This fuel is shipped to the plant by truck and may provide an alternative for a portion of customer demand, as needed.

#### Change in Rates

To support GUC's effort to continue to provide exceptional customer service while maintaining key financial performance metrics, several rate increases are necessary for FY 2023-24 implementation. The water rate plan approved in FY 2018 to support funding of the water treatment plant upgrade and distribution system improvements projects will be resumed with the implementation of the fourth of four rate increases

included in the plan. Monthly bills for residential customers using 6 kGal will increase 4.0%. The typical residential gas customer bill will increase 5.5%. No rate increases are proposed for electric or sewer customers.

#### Capital Investment

The Commission serves more than 168,000 customer connections across all four operating funds. With local economic development on the rise in our service areas, the utility is preparing for increased customer growth within the operating systems. Continuous customer growth places new demands on the capacities of the systems and requires infrastructure extensions and capacity expansions, and increased investments in capital spending. Capital spending, and the associated debt required to finance the strategic investment in infrastructure, is a major driver of the budgeting process and impacts rates for all funds.

The Commission's capital improvements planning and project prioritization program supports department level project planning and enables the assessment of each project's alignment with the Commission's long-term vision and strategic plan. Strategic alignment considerations include the enhancement of safety and customer service, promoting the lowest reasonable cost of service, and supporting growth as a regional utility. Functional considerations include asset criticality, reliability, and capacity, and financial evaluations are utilized to determine project impact on revenues, operations and maintenance costs. As part of the annual budget process, five-year financial, capital spending, and capital funding plans are prepared to identify spending needs, planned sources and scheduling of funding.

Efforts continue in the Electric department to replace wood poles structures and peak shaving generators. Existing 115 kilovolt (kV) wood pole structures reaching end of design life are being replaced with steel pole structures to harden the transmission system and increase system reliability. Existing diesel peak shaving generators are being replaced due to age in an effort to maintain fleet readiness. Proctor and Gamble, Mayne Pharma, and ECU School of Medicine are included in the replacement project which is expected to be completed in 2025.

The Commission now has three 230 kV point of delivery (POD) substations that supply power to all of the distribution substations on the system. If a transmission line is damaged and the flow of power to one of the distribution substations is lost, power can be re-routed from the other POD substations through the transmission loop. This enables our customers to continue to receive power until the problem is resolved. Construction continues on the 115 kV transmission line for POD #3 to Simpson substation which will complete the transmission loop, making each substation along the loop more reliable. This transmission line will also feed the new Hudson's Crossroads Substation that will support future growth anticipated from the southeast sewer system expansion and will also provide redundancy and load support to the existing Simpson and Hollywood Substations.

The Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Upgrade is on schedule to be completed in July of this year. The project is expanding the WTP from its current capacity of 22.5 million gallons per day (mgd) to 32 mgd to provide sufficient capacity for future economic expansion in the Greenville region. Significant amounts of erosion continue to occur along the river bank at the WTP raw water intake and is in need of immediate repair. Repair and stabilization of the river bank is important to prevent any further erosion from impacting the raw water intake screens.

The Southeast Service Area Sewer Improvements Project establishes a backbone collection system for approximately 1,500 acres and includes a sewer pumping station and 8,000 feet of gravity collection piping. GUC is partnering with five developers to fund the project. This development activity will spur future partnerships to develop additional land tracts. Construction began in December 2022 and is currently scheduled for completion by the end of 2023.

Expansion has begun on the Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) Plant. This project will be completed in three phases. This first phase will include two 70,000-gallon cryogenic storage tanks and spill containment. The expansion will allow the Commission to reduce its reliance on trucked LNG during peak period demands.

#### Supply Chain Issues/Price Inflation

With the continuous supply chain issues and supply prices on the rise, the Commission has been planning even further ahead than usual to ensure enough supplies are on hand to continue to provide exceptional customer service at the lowest reasonable cost. Consistent price negotiations and the addition of two mobile warehouse units set up at substations have assisted in being able to keep extra stock accessible.

#### Personnel Funding

The Commission recognizes that employees are the most valuable asset available to the utility. As employees complete their working careers and retire, it is imperative that a new generation is available to continue the high standards of service that define the utility. The Commission began an initiative to identify and train personnel replacements to promote an orderly transition into the future. In addition, the utility has adopted an iLead program to identify and educate employees that are likely to be ready to move into supervisory and management positions within the next 10 years.

In an effort to develop a pipeline of diverse, talented, and prepared employees eligible to earn a North Carolina Certification as a water treatment plant or wastewater treatment plant operator, GUC created the iGrow program, which provides on-the-job training and North Carolina Rural Water Association (NCRWA) Certification classes for current employees.

#### Operational Excellence

Federal, State and local regulations continue to impact all of the Commission's operating funds. Regulations concerning the siting and construction of new generation plants, reliability standards, homeland security, employee safety,

renewable resource mandates, and quality standards are all contributing to costs and will continue to impact rate strategies.

To address emerging cybersecurity threats, the Commission's Information Technology department performs continuous review and tuning of training, processes, and technology. All employees are required to participate in robust and comprehensive cybersecurity training. Advanced technologies have been implemented to detect, defend, and mitigate the effects of cybersecurity threats. Quarterly exercises are also performed to evaluate and test the Commission's ability to defend against and react to both physical and cybersecurity threats.

#### **Awards**

The Commission received recognition from Electricities of North Carolina for the outstanding job that is performed day in and day out to support the mission of delivering better service and more value to the Greenville region despite the challenges in recent years. The five awards of excellence include Grid Modernization, Value of Public Power, Wholesale Power Cost, Workforce Planning and Development, and Continuous Improvement. This is the 17<sup>th</sup> year in a row that GUC has won Awards of Excellence.

In 2021, GUC's Electric Department once again received the American Public Power Association's (APPA) highest award, the Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) Diamond Designation, for providing customers with the highest degree of safe and reliable electric service. Public power utilities must demonstrate proficiency in reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. The Commission's overall system reliability is at 99.5%, which is a testament to the quality work our employees do every day. The designation is good for three years.

The Commission once again earned the Smart Energy Provider (SEP) designation from the APPA in 2022 for demonstrating commitment to and proficiency in energy efficiency, distributed generation, and environmental initiatives that support a goal of providing low-cost, quality, safe, and reliable electric service. The SEP designation, which lasts for two years, recognizes public power utilities for demonstrating leading practices in four key disciplines: smart energy program structure, energy efficiency and distributed energy programs, environmental and sustainability initiatives, and the customer experience. In total, 90 public power utilities nationwide hold the SEP designation.

For the 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row, our WTP has received the prestigious North Carolina Area Wide Optimization Award (AWOP). The NC Division of Water Resources has included the Commission among the 66 out of 149 water treatment plants in the State honored for surpassing federal and state drinking water standards in 2021. The award recognition is a state effort to enhance the performance of existing surface water treatment facilities.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) "Smooth Operators" team competed at the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Operations Challenge and came in first overall along with first, second, and third place finishes in all five of the events. These events are designed to test the diverse skills required for the operation and maintenance of wastewater facilities, collection systems, and laboratories.

GUC's Public Information Office received two Excellence in Public Power Communications awards from the APPA for work done in 2021. The awards were in the Video and Social Media categories. This was the 6<sup>th</sup> time the Commission has won an award for website and/or social media efforts, and the 4<sup>th</sup> award for video. GUC was one of 49 utilities that took home an award from this year's APPA Customer Connections Conference. Awards were given to those who showed ingenuity and creativity in telling their stories through outstanding copy, design, graphics, social media engagement, and video.

The Commission places a high value on employee safety, prioritizing working safely and keeping their customers safe. For the 8<sup>th</sup> time in its 118-year history, Greenville Utilities achieved an important milestone in 2022: one million consecutive man hours without a lost workday due to injury. Considering the challenges of delivering electric, water, sewer, and natural gas services in recent years, it is a remarkable feat to work a million hours without a major injury. Each year, staff from various departments attend the NC Department of Labor (NCDOL) and Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce's annual Safety Banquet to recognize the Commission's safety record, along with other local businesses. For one of our departments, this was the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year earning awards. In all, the Commission was honored with nine safety awards in 2023. Gold Level Awards were presented to companies with days away from work, job transfers, or restricted time rates at least 50% below industry average. Awards at this level went to Wastewater Treatment Plant (16<sup>th</sup> year), Customer Relations (10<sup>th</sup> year), Water Treatment Plant (6<sup>th</sup> year), Express Office (3<sup>rd</sup> year), Administration (2<sup>nd</sup> year), Administration Building (2<sup>nd</sup> year), Finance (2<sup>nd</sup> year), Information Technology (2<sup>nd</sup> year), and Meter (2<sup>nd</sup> year). NCDOL's Safety Awards Program was established in 1946 and recognizes private and public firms throughout the state that maintain good safety records.

The Commission's Gas Department was one of 31 gas systems from across the country awarded the American Public Gas Association (APGA) Safety Award for an outstanding safety record in 2021. This marks the 12<sup>th</sup> year (and 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year) that the Gas Department staff has exemplified worker safety at the national level. The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to GUC for its annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, an operations guide, a financial plan, and a communications device. GUC has received this award for the past seven years. The Commission also earned the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. The purpose of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is to prepare financial reports of the highest quality

for the benefit of its citizens and other parties with a vital interest in the Commission's finances.

For the 12<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the Commission's Purchasing division received the Sustained Professional Purchasing Award (SPPA), presented by the Carolinas Association of Governmental Purchasing (CAGP). GUC is one of 15 member agencies throughout North Carolina and South Carolina to receive this designation for fiscal year 2022.

#### **Economic Development & Community Involvement**

GUC maintains its commitment to supporting growth and economic development initiatives throughout the City of Greenville and Pitt County. The Commission continues to be a sustaining member of the public-private partnership Greenville ENC Alliance to promote economic development in our community.

The Commission continues to be a leader in the community by participating in community sponsored events such as PirateFest, Freeboot Friday, and job fairs at our local Pitt County high schools. The Electric Department participates in the local Tradesformers program, which is a youth apprenticeship program designed to connect high school students with growing industry trades in our area. GUC also participates in the STEM Outreach Program which focuses on educating schools and colleges about the diverse set of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) careers that the Commission offers. For the fourth year in a row, the Commission donated 100 blankets to the Pitt County Council on Aging in an effort to provide relief during the winter months for local residents. During the summer, GUC's fan donation program provided 100 fans to the Pitt County Department of Social Services and Council on Aging to be distributed to customers in need. Last fall, the GUC American Heart Association (AHA) Heart Walk teams raised over \$2,000 for the AHA. Through the participation of GUC teams and other community teams, the Greenville AHA Heart Walk raised over \$52,000. GUC's United Way committee raised almost \$35,000 in its most recent campaign to support those most in need in our community. The Commission is also a member of the Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce and actively participates in chamber-related events.

#### **SUMMARY**

The FY 2023-24 balanced budget was developed with the staff's best effort to control costs, while continuing to provide a high level of service to GUC's customers. Not only is the budget balanced for the near term, it also includes key components to position GUC for long-term sustainability. This budget supports GUC's vision to provide safe, innovative, and sustainable utility solutions that serve as the foundation of growth for the Greenville region.

On behalf of the entire staff at GUC, I am pleased to present this budget for FY 2023-24.

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Anthony C. Cannon

General Manager/CEO

#### **ALL FUNDS**

	2021-2022 Actual		2022-2023 Budget		2022-2023 Projected		2023-2024 Forecast			2023-2024 Budget		
REVENUE:												
Rates & Charges Fees & Charges U. G. & Temp. Ser. Chgs. Miscellaneous Interest on Investments FEMA/Insurance Reimbursemen	\$	264,062,409 2,487,592 447,050 4,434,856 632,210 130,808	\$	274,761,943 2,518,247 434,348 2,880,665 408,000	\$	271,755,503 2,300,225 415,000 2,638,766 1,090,000	\$	278,660,595 2,558,083 453,662 2,821,408 508,000	\$	278,321,560 2,342,250 440,000 2,413,860 815,000		
Contributed Capital Bond Proceeds Installment Purchases Transfer from Capital Projects Transfer from Rate Stabilization Transfer from Capital Reserves		- - - - 275,000		- 274,800 - - - 6,520,500	- - - - 4,000,000		- - - - 7,530,00			- - - - 10,200,000		
•	\$2	272,469,925	\$ 1	287,798,503	\$ 2	282,199,494	\$	292,531,748	\$294,532,670			
EXPENDITURES:												
Operations Purchased Power Purchased Gas Capital Outlay Debt Service Retirement of Bethel Debt Repayment of Capacity Fees City Turnover - General Street Light Reimbursement	\$	74,855,588 127,950,613 24,824,773 14,409,567 13,000,138 - - 5,690,643 1,038,708	\$	82,568,039 134,080,724 30,925,416 14,598,261 12,674,956 - - 6,059,364 979,944	\$	83,205,877 128,423,369 28,789,334 15,446,765 12,162,413 - - 6,059,364 979,944	\$	84,239,479 134,563,271 31,020,715 15,297,208 15,589,187 - - 6,180,552 959,976	\$	87,406,176 136,930,058 28,070,700 16,873,680 14,853,005 - - 6,180,555 959,977		
Transfer to OPEB Trust Transfer to Rate Stabilization Transfer to Capital Projects Transfer to Designated Reserve Operating Contingencies		500,000 - 8,400,000 - -		500,000 - 5,000,000 - 411,799		500,000 750,000 5,400,000 - 482,428		500,000 - 3,500,000 - -		500,000 - 2,200,000 - 558,519		
	\$2	270,670,030	\$ :	287,798,503	\$ 2	282,199,494	\$	291,850,388	\$2	294,532,670		

#### **ELECTRIC FUND**

	2021-2022 Actual	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Projected	2023-2024 Forecast		2023-2024 Budget	
REVENUE:							
Rates & Charges Fees & Charges U. G. & Temp. Ser. Chgs. Miscellaneous Interest on Investments FEMA/Insurance Reimbursement Bond Proceeds Transfer from Capital Projects	\$ 175,816,560 1,402,118 427,850 3,607,391 362,551 70,637	\$ 179,718,246 1,346,990 414,348 2,293,039 240,000 - 217,683	\$ 174,920,151 1,270,500 395,000 2,031,019 680,000	\$	180,092,369 1,372,400 433,662 2,261,762 300,000	\$	182,903,800 1,310,000 420,000 2,007,564 530,000
Transfer from Rate Stabilization Appropriated Fund Balance	- - -	5,000,000	4,000,000		6,850,000		7,800,000
	\$ 181,687,107	\$ 189,230,306	\$ 183,296,670	\$	191,310,193	\$	194,971,364
EXPENDITURES:							
Operations Purchased Power Capital Outlay Debt Service City Turnover - General Street Light Reimbursement Transfer to OPEB Trust Transfer to Rate Stabilization Transfer to Capital Projects Transfer to Designated Reserve Operating Contingencies	\$ 31,702,142 127,950,613 9,963,801 4,348,201 4,020,920 1,038,708 275,000 - 1,150,000	\$ 34,884,562 134,080,724 9,722,316 4,669,709 4,356,852 979,944 275,000	\$ 34,185,750 128,423,369 10,064,399 4,311,049 4,356,852 979,944 275,000 500,000 200,307	\$	35,582,143 134,563,271 10,013,985 5,340,599 4,443,984 959,976 275,000	\$	36,393,624 136,930,058 10,926,900 4,782,256 4,443,989 959,977 275,000
	\$ 180,449,385	\$ 189,230,306	\$ 183,296,670	\$	191,178,958	\$	194,971,364

#### **WATER FUND**

	2	2021-2022 Actual	2	2022-2023 Budget	_	2022-2023 Projected	2	2023-2024 Forecast	2023-2024 Budget
REVENUE:									
Rates & Charges Fees & Charges U. G. & Temp. Ser. Chgs. Miscellaneous Interest on Investments FEMA/Insurance Reimbursement Bond Proceeds Appropriated Fund Balance	\$	23,775,785 499,344 19,200 368,007 86,237 20,929	\$	24,399,360 500,538 20,000 265,823 53,000 - 19,039	\$	24,802,087 402,500 20,000 256,237 125,000 - -	\$	25,527,105 501,549 20,000 269,380 65,000 -	\$ 26,171,128 430,000 20,000 239,000 100,000
	\$	24,769,502	\$	25,257,760	\$	25,605,824	\$	26,383,034	\$ 26,960,128
EXPENDITURES:									
Operations Purchased Power Purchased Gas	\$	15,766,561 - -	\$	16,919,891 - -	\$	18,165,648 - -	\$	17,247,978 - -	\$ 18,779,372 - -
Capital Outlay Debt Service Retirement of Bethel Debt		1,350,296 2,385,598 -		1,502,110 2,183,442 -		2,056,599 2,191,564 -		1,547,173 4,400,632 -	1,966,250 4,405,043 -
Repayment of Capacity Fees City Turnover - General Street Light Reimbursement		-		- - -		- - -		- - -	- - -
Transfer to OPEB Trust Transfer to Rate Stabilization Transfer to Capital Projects Transfer to Designated Reserve		75,000 - 4,900,000		75,000 - 4,500,000		75,000 - 3,000,000		75,000 - 3,000,000	75,000 - 1,600,000
Transfer to Designated Reserve Operating Contingencies		<u>-</u>		77,317		117,013		-	134,463
	\$	24,477,455	\$	25,257,760	\$	25,605,824	\$	26,270,783	\$ 26,960,128

#### **SEWER FUND**

	2	2021-2022 Actual	2	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Projected	2023-2024 Forecast	2	2023-2024 Budget
REVENUE:								
Rates & Charges Fees & Charges U. G. & Temp. Ser. Chgs.	\$	24,202,207 409,118	\$	24,135,503 485,732	\$ 24,678,017 450,225	\$ 24,663,244 495,446	\$	24,729,081 420,250
Miscellaneous Interest on Investments FEMA/Insurance Reimbursemen		181,063 68,527 20,929		148,207 45,000	125,998 110,000	138,715 55,000		92,250 85,000
Contributed Capital Bond Proceeds	1	20,329 - -		38,078	-	-		- - -
Installment Purchases Transfer from Capital Projects Transfer from Rate Stabilization		- - -		- - -	-	- - -		- -
Transfer from Capital Reserves Appropriated Fund Balance		-		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
	\$	24,881,844	\$	24,852,520	\$ 25,364,240	\$ 25,352,405	\$	25,326,581
EXPENDITURES:								
Operations Purchased Power Purchased Gas	\$	15,943,677 -	\$	17,780,941 -	\$ 17,708,111	\$ 18,126,250	\$	18,645,956 - -
Capital Outlay Debt Service Retirement of Bethel Debt		1,557,975 4,733,763		1,767,235 4,657,173	1,816,519 4,488,052	1,820,252 4,617,259		1,434,130 4,492,110
Repayment of Capacity Fees City Turnover - General Street Light Reimbursement		-		-	-	-		-
Transfer to OPEB Trust Transfer to Rate Stabilization		75,000 -		75,000 -	75,000	75,000		75,000 -
Transfer to Capital Projects Transfer to Designated Reserve		2,350,000		500,000	1,150,000	500,000		600,000
Operating Contingencies		-		72,171	126,558			79,385
	\$	24,660,415	\$	24,852,520	\$ 25,364,240	\$ 25,138,761	\$	25,326,581

#### **GAS FUND**

	2	2021-2022 Actual	2	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Projected	2023-2024 Forecast	2023-2024 Budget
REVENUE:					-		
Rates & Charges	\$	40,267,857	\$	46,508,834	\$ 47,355,248	\$ 48,377,877	\$ 44,517,551
Fees & Charges		177,012		184,987	177,000	188,688	182,000
U. G. & Temp. Ser. Chgs.		<u>-</u>		-	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Miscellaneous		278,395		173,596	225,512	151,551	75,046
Interest on Investments		114,895		70,000	175,000	88,000	100,000
FEMA/Insurance Reimbursement		18,313		-	-	-	-
Contributed Capital		-		-	-	-	-
Bond Proceeds Installment Purchases		-		-	-	-	-
		-		-	-	-	-
Transfer from Capital Projects Transfer from Rate Stabilization		275,000		1,520,500	-	680,000	2,400,000
Transfer from Capital Reserves		2/3,000		1,520,500	-	000,000	2,400,000
Transfer from Capital Reserves							
_	\$	41,131,472	\$	48,457,917	\$ 47,932,760	\$ 49,486,116	\$ 47,274,597
EXPENDITURES:							
Operations Purchased Power	\$	11,443,208	\$	12,982,645	\$ 13,146,368	\$ 13,283,108	\$ 13,587,224
Purchased Gas		24,824,773		30,925,416	28,789,334	31,020,715	28,070,700
Capital Outlay		1,537,495		1,606,600	1,509,248	1,915,798	2,546,400
Debt Service		1,532,576		1,164,632	1,171,748	1,230,697	1,173,596
Retirement of Bethel Debt		1,332,370		1,101,032	1,171,710	1,230,037	1,175,550
City Turnover - General		1,669,723		1,702,512	1,702,512	1,736,568	1,736,566
Street Light Reimbursement		-		-,, 0=,0==	-,, 0-,01-	-	-
Transfer to OPEB Trust		75,000		75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
<b>Transfer to Rate Stabilization</b>		-		-	750,000	-	-
Transfer to Capital Projects		-		-	750,000	-	-
<b>Transfer to Designated Reserve</b>		-		-	_	-	-
Operating Contingencies		-		1,112	38,550	-	85,111
_	\$	41,082,775	\$	48,457,917	\$ 47,932,760	\$ 49,261,886	\$ 47,274,597

## GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION BUDGET BY DEPARTMENT 2023-2024

Department	Electric	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
Governing Body and Administration	1,382,760	862,760	862,760	862,760	3,971,040
Finance	9,386,013	2,591,960	2,501,324	2,825,044	17,304,341
Human Resources	1,831,958	983,002	938,320	714,910	4,468,190
Information Technology	4,109,550	1,237,547	1,237,547	1,409,910	7,994,554
Customer Relations	4,070,614	295,663	300,663	501,327	5,168,267
Developmental Activities	791,465	-	-	-	791,465
Electric Department	23,143,828	-	-	-	23,143,828
Shared Resources	184,750	80,250	72,000	83,000	420,000
Meter	1,989,793	542,671	542,671	542,671	3,617,806
Water Department	-	13,721,131	-	-	13,721,131
Sewer Department	-	-	13,193,033	-	13,193,033
Gas Department	-	-	-	8,763,028	8,763,028
Utility Locating Service	433,023	433,023	433,023	433,023	1,732,092
Ancillary	147,647,610	6,212,121	5,245,240	31,138,924	190,243,895
Grand Total	194,971,364	26,960,128	25,326,581	47,274,597	294,532,670

#### 2022-2023

Department	Electric	Water	Sewer	Gas	Total
Governing Body and Administration	1,348,759	848,759	848,759	848,759	3,895,036
Finance	8,146,286	2,683,509	2,618,002	2,500,142	15,947,939
Human Resources	1,708,751	916,891	875,214	666,830	4,167,686
Information Technology	4,161,069	1,229,233	1,229,233	1,400,624	8,020,159
Customer Relations	3,734,101	249,475	249,475	451,450	4,684,501
Developmental Activities	971,852	-	-	-	971,852
Electric Department	21,800,469	-	-	-	21,800,469
Shared Resources	327,150	104,850	87,300	110,700	630,000
Meter	1,947,233	531,064	531,064	531,064	3,540,425
Water Department	-	11,397,012	-	-	11,397,012
Sewer Department	-	-	12,647,921	-	12,647,921
Gas Department	-	-	-	7,618,468	7,618,468
Utility Locating Service	461,209	461,209	461,209	461,209	1,844,836
Ancillary	144,623,427	6,835,758	5,304,343	33,868,671	190,632,199
Grand Total	189,230,306	25,257,760	24,852,520	48,457,917	287,798,503

### GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT

Danastraast	2021-2022	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024
Department	Actual	Budget	Projected	Budget
Governing Body and Administration	3,348,133	3,895,036	3,854,341	3,971,040
Finance	12,932,317	15,947,939	14,314,512	17,304,341
Human Resources	3,850,239	4,167,686	4,361,717	4,468,190
Information Technology	6,461,008	8,020,159	7,780,375	7,994,554
Customer Relations	4,178,564	4,684,501	4,782,231	5,168,267
Development Activities	775,576	971,852	839,827	791,465
Electric Department	22,641,316	21,800,469	22,321,249	23,143,828
Shared Resources	254,597	630,000	415,000	420,000
Meter	2,970,218	3,540,425	3,614,110	3,617,806
Water Department	11,430,915	11,397,012	13,549,808	13,721,131
Sewer Department	11,909,596	12,647,921	12,912,485	13,193,033
Gas Department	7,341,929	7,618,468	7,956,314	8,763,028
Utility Locating Service	1,329,772	1,844,836	2,031,943	1,732,092
Ancillary	181,245,850	190,632,199	183,465,582	190,243,895
Total	270,670,030	287,798,503	282,199,494	294,532,670

Line # Project #	Project Name	Debt	Fund Balance	Total
1 ECP10244	Hudson's Crossroads Substation	\$ 4,000,000		\$ 4,000,000
2 ECP10248	POD Transformer Replacement	4,250,000		4,250,000
3 WCP10040	WTP Lab Upgrades	1,000,000		1,000,000
4 GCP10124	Gas System Improvements for Industry and Commercial		1,500,000	1,500,000
5	Total	\$ 9,250,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 10,750,000
	Electric	\$ 8,250,000		\$ 8,250,000
	Water	1,000,000		1,000,000
	Sewer	-		-
	Gas		1,500,000	1,500,000
	Total	\$ 9,250,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 10,750,000

Project Name	Proposed Budget
ECP10244 Hudson's Crossroads Substation	
Revenues:	
Long-Term Debt	\$4,000,000
Total Revenue	\$4,000,000
Expenditures:	
Project Costs	\$4,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$4,000,000

Project Nam	ne	Proposed Budget
ECP10248 P	OD Transformer Replacement	
Revenues:		
	Long-Term Debt	\$4,250,000
	Total Revenue	\$4,250,000
Expenditure	<b>25:</b>	
	Project Costs	\$4,250,000
	Total Expenditures	\$4,250,000

	Proposed
Project Name	Budget
WCP10040 WTP Lab Upgrades	
Revenues:	
Long-Term Debt	\$1,000,000
Total Revenue	\$1,000,000
Expenditures:	
Project Costs	\$1,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$1,000,000

Project Name	Proposed Budget
GCP10124 Gas System Improvements for Industry and Commercial	
Revenues:	
Capital Projects Fund Balance	\$1,500,000
Total Revenue	\$1,500,000
Expenditures:	
Project Costs	\$1,500,000
Total Expenditures	\$1,500,000

## ORDINANCE NO. 23-\_\_\_\_\_ CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 2023-24 GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION BUDGET ORDINANCE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES ORDAIN:

<u>Section I. Estimated Net Revenues and Fund Balances</u>. It is estimated that the following non-tax revenues and fund balances will be available during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 to meet the subsequent expenditures, according to the following schedules:

	Revenues		<u>Budget</u>
A.	Electric Fund		
	Rates & Charges Fees & Charges Miscellaneous Interest on Investments Transfer from Rate Stabilization  Total Electric Fund Revenue	\$182,903,800 1,730,000 2,007,564 530,000 7,800,000	\$194,971,364
В.	Water Fund		Ψ13 1,3, 1,30 l
υ.	Rates & Charges Fees & Charges Miscellaneous Interest on Investments	\$26,171,128 450,000 239,000 100,000	
	Total Water Fund Revenue		\$26,960,128
C.	Sewer Fund		
	Rates & Charges Fees & Charges Miscellaneous Interest on Investments	\$24,729,081 420,250 92,250 85,000	
	Total Sewer Fund Revenue		\$25,326,581
D.	Gas Fund		
	Rates & Charges Fees & Charges Miscellaneous Interest on Investments Transfer from Rate Stabilization	\$44,517,551 182,000 75,046 100,000 2,400,000	
	Total Gas Fund Revenue		\$47,274,597
	Total Revenues		\$294,532,670

<u>Section II. Expenditures</u>. The following amounts are hereby estimated for the Greenville Utilities Commission to be expended for managing, operating, improving, maintaining, and extending electric, water, sewer and gas utilities during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024, according to the following schedules:

<u>Expenditures</u> <u>Budget</u>

Electric Fund	\$194,971,364
Water Fund	26,960,128
Sewer Fund	25,326,581
Gas Fund	47,274,597

Total Expenditures \$294,532,670

<u>Section III. Capital Improvements</u>. The following Capital Improvements anticipated revenues and project appropriations as listed below in this section are hereby adopted in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

(a) It is estimated that the following non-tax revenues and long term debt proceeds will be available to fund capital project expenditures that will begin in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

<u>Capital Projects Revenues</u>		<u>Budget</u>
Electric Fund - Long Term Debt Proceeds	\$8,250,000	
Water Fund - Long Term Debt Proceeds	1,000,000	
Gas Fund - Capital Projects Fund Balance	1,500,000	

Total Revenues \$10,750,000

(b) The following amounts are hereby appropriated for capital projects that will begin during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Capital Projects Expenditures		<u>Budget</u>
ECP10244 Hudson's Crossroads Substation	\$4,000,000	
ECP10248 POD Transformer Replacement	4,250,000	
WCP10040 WTP Lab Upgrades	1,000,000	
GCP10124 Gas System Improvements for Industry and Commercial	1,500,000	
Total Capital Projects Expenditures		\$10,750,000

#### Section IV: Amendments.

- (a) Pursuant to General Statutes 159-15, this budget may be amended by submission of proposed changes to the City
- (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) above, the General Manager/CEO of Greenville Utilities Commission is authorized to transfer funds from one appropriation to another in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Any such transfers shall be reported to the Greenville Utilities Commission and the City Council at their next regular meeting and shall be entered in the minutes.
- (c) In case of emergency which threatens the lives, health, or safety of the public, the General Manager/CEO may authorize expenditures in an amount necessary to meet the emergency so long as such amount does not exceed the amount in contingency accounts and the expenditure is reported to the Greenville Utilities Commission as soon as possible, and appropriate budget amendments are submitted to the City Council, if necessary, at its next regular meeting.
- (d) Capital Projects listed in section III may be amended on an individual project basis.

<u>Section V: Appropriation</u>. The capital project revenue and expenditure authorizations shall extend from year to year until each project is completed.

or their direction in the disbursement of funds.	
Adopted this the 8th day of June, 2023.	
Attest:	P. J. Connelly, Mayor

Valerie Shiuwegar, City Clerk

<u>Section VI: Distribution</u>. Copies of this ordinance shall be furnished to the General Manager/CEO and the Chief Financial Officer of the Greenville Utilities Commission, and the Director of Financial Services of the City of Greenville to be kept on file by them

# RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION, OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, A BODY POLITIC DULY CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ONE OR MORE FINANCING(S) FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMBINED ENTERPRISE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 861 of the 1991 Session Laws of North Carolina, the Greenville Utilities Commission (the "Commission") has been created for the proper management of the public utilities of the City of Greenville, North Carolina (the "City"), comprising an electric system, a natural gas system, a sanitary sewer system and a water system within and without the corporate limits of the City, (collectively the "Combined Enterprise System") with responsibility for the entire supervision and control of the management, operation, maintenance, improvement and extension of the Combined Enterprise System;

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations prescribes specific procedures which will be applicable to certain bonds, notes or other indebtedness ("Debt") issued by or on behalf of the Commission and the City including, without limitation, a requirement that the City declare official intent to reimburse certain expenditures with proceeds of Debt to be incurred prior to, or within sixty (60) days of, payment of the expenditures to be reimbursed;

WHEREAS, the Commission has identified certain improvements (the "Additional Improvements") to the Combined Enterprise System that have been and must be funded from available funds pending reimbursement from the proceeds of Debt to be issued for such purposes;

WHEREAS, the Additional Improvements consist of a substation, transformer replacement, water treatment plant upgrades, and gas system improvements for industry and commercial; now, therefore,

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION as follows;

- 1. The City is hereby requested to give favorable consideration to and pass the proposed resolution, which resolution (the "Reimbursement Resolution") effectively would provide for the reimbursement to the Commission from the proceeds of one or more Debt financing(s) (estimated to be \$10,750,000) for certain expenditures for the Additional Improvements made not more than 60 days prior to the adoption of the Reimbursement Resolution, the Commission having determined that such adoption will be in the best interests of the Combined Enterprise System.
- 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and a certified copy thereof shall be provided to the City Clerk for presentation to the City Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Adopted this the $8^{\text{LL}}$ day of June, 2023.	
ATTEST:	Kelly L. Darden, Jr., Chair
Lindsey Griffin Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Phillip R. Dixon General Counsel	

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 23-**

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE TO REIMBURSE THE
GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION, OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH
CAROLINA, A BODY POLITIC DULY CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NORTH
CAROLINA, FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ONE OR MORE FINANCING(S) FOR
CERTAIN EXPENDITURES MADE AND TO BE MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE
ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 861 of the 1991 Session Laws of North Carolina, the Greenville Utilities Commission (the "Commission") has been created for the proper management of the public utilities of the City of Greenville, North Carolina (the "City"), comprising an electric system, a natural gas system, a sanitary sewer system and a water system within and without the corporate limits of the City, (collectively the "Combined Enterprise System") with responsibility for the entire supervision and control of the management, operation, maintenance, improvement and extension of the Combined Enterprise System; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations") prescribes specific procedures which will be applicable to certain bonds, notes or other indebtedness ("Debt") issued by or on behalf of the Commission and the City including, without limitation, a requirement that the City declare official intent to reimburse certain expenditures with proceeds of Debt to be incurred prior to, or within sixty (60) days of, payment of the expenditures to be reimbursed;

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined to pay certain expenditures (the "Expenditures") incurred no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof and thereafter relating to the acquisition and construction of certain improvements (collectively, the "Additional Improvements") more fully described below;

WHEREAS, the Additional Improvements consist of a substation, transformer replacement, water treatment plant upgrades, and gas system improvements for industry and commercial; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City has determined that those moneys previously advanced by the Commission no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof to pay such Expenditures are available only on a temporary period and that it is necessary to reimburse the Commission for the Expenditures from the proceeds of one or more issues of Debt;

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL as follows:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The City hereby declares concurrence with the Commission's intent to reimburse the Commission from the proceeds of the Debt for the Expenditures made with respect to the Additional Improvements no more than 60 days prior to the date hereof and thereafter.
- Section 2. Each Expenditure was or will be either (a) of a type chargeable to capital account under general federal income tax principles (determined as of the date of the Expenditures), (b) the cost of issuance with respect to the Debt, (c) a non-recurring item that is not customarily payable from current revenues of the Combined Enterprise System, or (d) a grant to a

party that is not related to or an agent of the Commission or City so long as such grant does not impose any obligation or condition (directly or indirectly) to repay any amount to or for the benefit of the Commission or City.

<u>Section 3</u>. The principal amount of the Debt estimated to be issued to reimburse the Commission for Expenditures for the Additional Improvements is estimated to be not more than \$10,750,000.

Section 4. The Commission and the City will make a reimbursement allocation, which is a written allocation by the Commission and the City that evidences the Commission's use of proceeds of the Debt to reimburse an Expenditure no later than 18 months after the later of the date on which such Expenditure is paid or the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three years after the date on which the Expenditure is paid. The City recognizes that exceptions are available for certain "preliminary expenditures," costs of issuance, certain deminimis amounts, (expenditures by "small issuers" based on the year of issuance and not the year of expenditure), and expenditures for construction projects of at least 5 years.

<u>Section 5</u>. This declaration of official intent is made pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations.

Section 6. The resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

P. J. Connelly, Mayor	

ATTEST:	
Valerie Shiuwegar	
City Clerk	

Upon motion of Council member, seconded by Council member
Upon motion of Council member, seconded by Council member, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes:
Noes:
* * * * *
I, Valerie Shiuwegar, City Clerk of the City of Greenville, North Carolina DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of such much of the proceedings of the City Council of said City at a regular meeting held on June 8, 2023 as it relates in any way to the passage of the foregoing resolution and that said proceedings are recorded in the minutes of said Council.
I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that proper notice of such regular meeting was given as required by North Carolina law.
WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City, this 8 <sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.
City Clerk
[SEAL]

# RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION, OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, A BODY POLITIC DULY CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM THE PROCEEDS OF ONE OR MORE FINANCING(S) FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMBINED ENTERPRISE SYSTEM

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WHEREAS, the Commission has identified certain improvements (the "Additional Improvements") to the Combined Enterprise System that have been and must be funded from available funds pending reimbursement from the proceeds of Debt to be issued for such purposes;

WHEREAS, the Additional Improvements consist of light and heavy vehicles (including certain bucket and utility trucks, trailers, and forklift) and other related equipment; now, therefore,

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION as follows;

- 1. The City is hereby requested to give favorable consideration to and pass the proposed resolution, which resolution (the "Reimbursement Resolution") effectively would provide for the reimbursement to the Commission from the proceeds of one or more Debt financing(s) (estimated to be \$3,283,000) for certain expenditures for the Additional Improvements made not more than 60 days prior to the adoption of the Reimbursement Resolution, the Commission having determined that such adoption will be in the best interests of the Combined Enterprise System.
- 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and a certified copy thereof shall be provided to the City Clerk for presentation to the City Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Adopted this the $8^{\text{u}}$ day of June, 2023.	
ATTEST:	Kelly L. Darden, Jr., Chair
Lindsey Griffin	
Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Phillip R. Dixon	
General Counsel	

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Adopted this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

P. J. Connelly, Mayor	

ATTEST:
Valerie Shiuwegar
City Clerk

Upon motion of Council member, seconded by Council member
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WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City, this 8 <sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.
City Clerk
[SEAL]

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION, OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, A BODY POLITIC DULY CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO ESTABLISH AND ADOPT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES ASSESSED BY THE WATER AND SEWER FUNDS ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF GS 162A, "NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITIES ACT"

WHEREAS, the Greenville Utilities Commission of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, a body politic duly chartered by the State of North Carolina, (the Commission) is authorized to assess a system development fee for service imposed with respect to new development to fund costs of capital improvements necessitated by and attributable to such new development, and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville, North Carolina (the "City"), a municipal corporation in Pitt County, North Carolina, for the use and benefit of Greenville Utilities Commission, owns certain public utility or public service enterprise facilities comprising an electric system, a natural gas system, a sanitary sewer system and a water system, within and without the corporate limits of the City (collectively, the "Combined Enterprise System"), and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 861 of the 1991 Session Laws of North Carolina, the Greenville Utilities Commission (the "Commission") has been created for the proper management of the public utilities of the City, within and without the corporate limits of the City, with responsibility for the entire supervision and control of the management, operation, maintenance, improvement and extension of the public utilities of the City, including the Combined Enterprise System, and

WHEREAS, GS 162A requires that system development fees be adopted by resolution for water and sewer service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greenville Utilities Commission of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, that the System Development Fees set forth in the terms and conditions are hereby established and adopted to become effective on July 1, 2023.

RESOLVED this the $8^{th}$ day of June, 2023
Kelly L. Darden, Jr., Chair
ATTEST:
Lindsey Griffin, Secretary
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Phillip R. Dixon, General Counsel



#### Agenda Item # 4

Meeting Date: June 8, 2023

Item: General Manager's Report

**Contact:** Tony Cannon

**Explanation:** 1. Informational Reading

Bids, Statistical Data, Sewer Spill Tracking Report, Load Management Report, and PGA Report are attached.

The Management Team will be available at the meeting to answer any questions regarding work activities.

2. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Attached is a list of GUC's Tier 1 corporate Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).

- 3. Commendations
- 4. Other

#### **Strategic Plan Elements:**

#### Strategic Themes:

- Shaping Our Future
- Safety, Reliability & Value
- Exceptional Customer Service

#### Objectives:

- Embracing change to ensure organizational alignment and efficiency
- Developing and enhancing strategic partnerships
- Exceeding customer expectations

#### Core Values:

- Value employees
- Encourage innovation/lifelong learning
- Appreciate diversity
- Support the community

Previous Board N/A Actions:

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended N/A

Action(s):

#### **RANKING OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED**

#### FOR ONE COPIER/PRINTER

APRIL 20, 2023 @ 11:00 AM

#### **VENDOR PROPOSAL RANKING**

Systel Business Equipment\*

\* Indicates recommended vendor to negotiate a contract.

Recommended for Negotiations:	Loutinis	-11.12
	Lou Norris, Secretary to the General Manager	5 11 23 Date
	amy Wade	5/11/23
	Amy Wade, Executive Assistant to the General Manager	Date
	Jeff W. McCauley, Chief Financial Officer	5/11/23 Date
	Call William Carlot	5/11/2
	Chris Padgett, Assistant General Manager/CAO	Date
Approved for Negotiations:	anty Clan	5-17-23
	Anthony C. Cannon, General Manager/CEO	Date

#### TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED

#### **FOR OPERATIONS PAVING**

#### APRIL 20, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDORS	COMPLETION TIME (WKS)	TOTAL	
Barnhill Contracting Company	2	\$231,874.00*	
S.T. Wooten Corporation	8-9	249,965.00	

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

Recommended for Awa	rd:	5/10/25
	Vincent M. Malvarosa, Facilities Engineer II	Date
	RATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE	5-10-27
	Kevin Kevzer, Operations Support Manager	Date
	Jeff W. McCauley, Chief Financial Officer	S-// 23 Date
	CM Port	5-11-23
	Chris Padgett, Assistant General Manager/CAO	Date
Approved for Award:	Ch thy Clan	5-17-23
	Anthony C. Cannon, General Manager/CEO	Date

#### **TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED**

#### FOR TREE TRIMMING SERVICES

#### APRIL 27, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDORS	TOTAL
Xylem Tree Experts	\$335,170.52*
Buford's Tree, LLC.	359,003.98
BDG Trees, LLC.	790,500.00
Lainer Tree Service, LLC.	861,740.00

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

Recommended for Award:	Aaco Swinh	5/19/23
	Jacob Swink, Electric Distribution Engineer	Date
	Sen Wale	5/19/23
	Ken Wade, Assistant Director of Electric	Date /
	John War	5/22/23
	John Worrell, Director of Electric Systems	Date
	In W Marly	5/23/23
	Jeff W. McCauley, Chief Financial Officer	Date
	Male	5-73-53
	Chris Padgett, Assistant General Manager/CAO	Date
Approved for Award:	Chtyllon	5-24-23
	Anthony C Cannon General Manager/CEO	Date

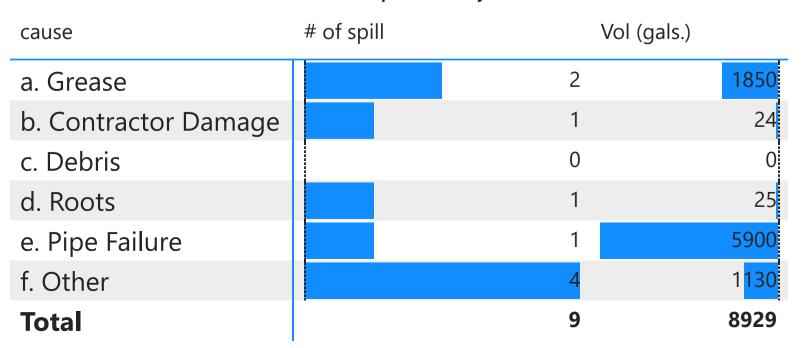


### Water Resources Department Sewer Spill Tracking Report

June 2022 - May 2023

No.	Date of Spill	Report Date	Location	Upstream Manhole	Downstream Manhole	Volume Gallons	Reached Surface Waters?	Surface Water Name	Volume Reached Surface Waters	Reportable	News Release Required?	News Release Issued?	Cause	Corrective Action
1	6/15/2022		801 Bradley St	7J-042	7J-042	50	No			No	No	No	Grease	Cleared Blockage and Priority Cleaning Scheduled
2	10/17/2022	10/21/2022	2900 E 2nd Street	11L-035	11L-026	5,900	No			Yes	Yes	Yes	Pipe Failure	Permenant Repair
3	11/10/2022		707 E Third St	9L-003	9L-003	25	No			No	No	No	Roots	Permenant Repair
4	12/2/2022	12/7/2022	420 Lake Rd	5J-028	5J-028	1,800	Yes	Green Mill Rn	1,800	Yes	Yes	Yes	Grease	Permenant Repair
5	12/15/2022		1026 Red Banks Rd	9G-118	9G-118	24	No			No	No	No	Contractor Damage	Permenant Repair
6	12/28/2022		211 Martin St (Bethel)	B-231	B-231	15	No			No	No	No	Other	Permenant Repair
7	2/14/2023		Tar River Outfall	12L-004	12L-004	5	No			No	No	No	Other	Permenant Repair
8	3/3/2023	3/9/2023	301 Kirkland Dr			180	Yes	Green Mill Run	180	Yes	No	No	Other	Cleared Blockage and Priority Cleaning Scheduled
9	4/18/2023	4/24/2023	354 Forlines Rd	4A-023	4A-023	930	Yes	Swift Creek	30			No	Other	Permenant Repair
9						8,929			2,010					

#### Spill Analysis



Summary Total Number of Spills = 9 (3 Reportable; 5 Non-Reportable)

Total Spill Volume = 8929 gals or 0.00023% of Total Wastewater Flow

#### LOAD MANAGEMENT REPORT

May, 2023

The DEP monthly peak occurred on May 16th, 2023 for hour ending at 6:00 PM. Our load management system was in full operation during this period with the following estimated reductions observed:

Direct Load Control	Estimated KW Load Reduction	Estimated Avoided Demand Costs
<u>Direct Load Control:</u> Voltage Adjustment @ Stage 3 (4.6%)	8.330	\$184,593
Air Conditioning Demand Reduction	2,100	\$46,536
Water Heater Demand Reduction	10,250	\$227,140
Heat Pump/Heat Strip Demand Reduction	0	\$0
GUC Generator Reduction	21,209	\$469,991
Battery Energy Storage System	123	\$2,726
Commercial Load Control:  MGS-CP & LGS-CP Customer Generators Estimated Other Industrial Customer Curtailments	20,517 5,930	\$454,657 \$131,409
Total Load Control:	68,459	\$1,517,051
NCEMPA Shifted Peak Credit: Power Agency Policy Credit for		
Contribution to Shifted Peak		
Total Load Reduction and Avoided Costs:	68,459	\$1,517,051

1)	Duke	⊨ne	rgy i	rogress	(DEP)	Syster	m Peak	:

- 2) GUC Coincident Peak (Less Winterville Demand):
- 3) Local Temperature at Coincident Peak, per PGV:
- 4) Local "Feels Like" Temperature at Coincident Peak, per PGV:5) Applicable NCEMPA Demand Rate Charge:

9186 MW

198,364 KW

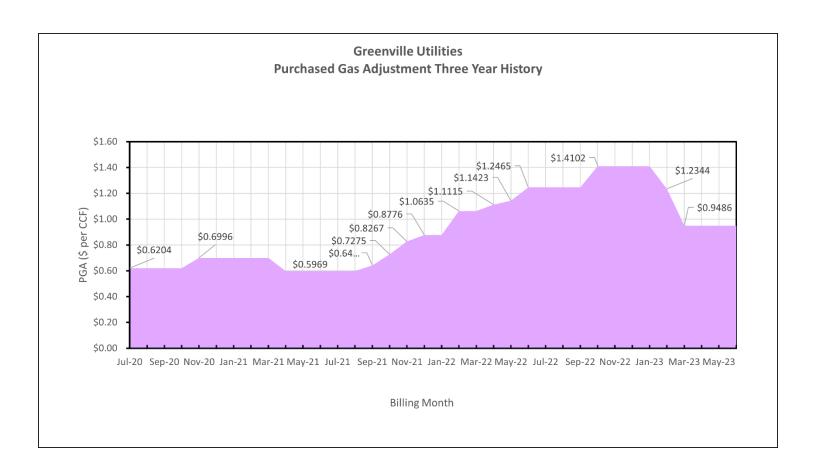
86 Degrees F

88 Degrees F

22.16 Per KW

#### **PGA Report June 2023**

<b>Billing Month</b>	PGA (\$/CCF)	Residential (\$/CC		
Jun-23	\$0.9486	\$0.3701	\$1.3187	



#### **Tier 1: Corporate Key Performance Indicators (KPI)**

- **Customer Satisfaction**
- **Billing Process Accuracy** Installation of New Services
- Duration of Electric Interruptions (CAIDI)
- Duration of Electric Interruptions (SAIDI)
- Frequency of Interruptions in Service Electric (SAIFI)
- Response Time to Unplanned Electric Outages
- Response Time to Cut Gas Lines/Leaks
- Response Time to Water Leaks/Breaks
- Typical Monthly Bill Comparisons

## FINANCIAL

#### Overtime Costs

- **Bond Rating**
- Days Operating Cash On Hand
- Debt Service Coverage
- Fund Balance (available for appropriation)
- Net Margin
- Return on Assets
- Return on Equity

#### Connections Per Employee

- **Operating Cost Per Customer**
- System Losses Electric
- System Losses Gas
- System Losses Water
- Disruption of Service Water
- Preventable Vehicle Accident Rate

- Hours Worked Without a Lost Workday Injury
- Restricted Workday Injuries Per 200,000 Hours Worked
- **Capital Spending Ratio**
- Degree of Asset Depreciation

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North Carolina Association of Municipal Electric Systems CC: John W

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Mr. Anthony Cannon, CEO Greenville Utilities Commission P.O. Box 1847 Greenville, North Carolina 27835-1847

Dear Mr. Cannon:

On behalf of the NCAMES Board of Directors and members, we would like to thank the Greenville Utilities Commission for hosting the NCAMES Annual Conference and Lineman's Rodeo on May 16-18, 2023. The NCAMES Conference was a success due to the graciousness and hospitality shown by your utility. The Greenville Convention Center and the various hotels had ample space and were more than accommodating to all our guests. The restaurants that we visited were friendly and had excellent food. Greenville Utilities Commission employees were outstanding in their hospitality and helpfulness.

We would also like to thank you for allowing Mr. John Powell to serve on the NCAMES Board of Directors for the past few years. He is an outstanding NCAMES Board member and has been an influential member in the changes that we are making to improve the NCAMES Annual Conference. His service on the Board has been refreshing with the latest ideas and the perspective that he brings. We would like to encourage him to be an officer on the Board with your influence and approval.

Thank you for letting us visit your city.

Sincerely,

Philip Hiatt

NCAMES President 2023-2024 NCAMES Board of Directors **COMPLIMENT** RECORD

**Date:** 5/26/23

**Received By:** Colleen Sicley, Assistant Director of Customer Relations

Customer's Name: An Employee from Mitchell Tractor and Equipment Company

Remarks: An employee from Mitchell Tractor and Equipment Company was traveling in the

area of 10th Street and Greenville Boulevard when he noticed smoke coming behind him. Other

vehicles were pointing at him to inform him that his truck was on fire. He pulled into a parking

lot and got out of the truck and saw the flames. A GUC truck pulled in behind him and asked

what they could do to help. James Forrest and Billy Owens handed the man their fire

extinguisher and took their igloo cooler off the back of their truck and dumped water on the fire

which extinguished the flames and saved the truck and his valuable equipment. The man did not

have the GUC employees' names and called to thank them for their assistance. He said that there

was no hesitation for them to help, he is truly grateful, and he wanted their bosses to know how

good of employees they have.

Employees' Name: Underground Electric Crew Leader James Forrest, Jr. and Lineworker First

Class Billy Owens

#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1991

#### CHAPTER 861 SENATE BILL 1069

AN ACT TO AMEND AND RESTATE THE CHARTER OF THE GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. For the proper management of the public utilities of the City of Greenville, both within the corporate limits of the City and outside the said corporate limits, a commission to be designated and known as the "Greenville Utilities Commission", is hereby created and established.

Sec. 2. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall consist of eight members, six of whom shall be bona fide residents of the City of whom one shall at all times be the City Manager of Greenville, and two of whom shall be bona fide residents of Pitt County but residing outside the city limits of Greenville, and all of whom shall be customers of the Greenville Utilities Commission. Each Greenville Utilities Commissioner shall hold office for an initial term of three years and, except as set forth herein, will be automatically reappointed to a single additional term of three years, with each term of three years expiring June 30 at the end of the designated term or until reappointed or replaced by the City Council. The first appointees shall hold their offices as follows: the Greenville City Council shall appoint an individual to serve until June 30, 1995; John W. Hughes, Sr. is hereby appointed a Greenville Utilities Commissioner to serve until June 30, 1995, and shall not be eligible for a second term; Bernard E. Kane is hereby appointed a Greenville Utilities Commissioner to serve until June 30, 1995; R. Richard Miller is hereby appointed a Greenville Utilities Commissioner to serve until June 30, 1994, and shall not be eligible for a second term; and the Greenville City Council shall appoint an individual to serve until June 30, 1993; all of whom are bona fide residents of the City. William G. Blount is hereby appointed a Greenville Utilities Commissioner to serve until June 30, 1993, and shall not be eligible for a second term; and the Pitt County Board of Commissioners shall nominate an individual under the procedure established in Section 3 of this act, to be appointed by the Greenville City Council to serve until June 30, 1994; both of whom are Greenville Utilities Commission customers and bona fide residents of Pitt County residing outside the Greenville city limits.

Sec. 3. The Greenville Utilities Commissioners otherwise than as herein provided shall be appointed by the City Council at their regularly monthly meeting in June of each year. It is the intention of this charter that the City Council shall appoint Greenville Utilities Commission members who have utilities expertise. Representation should include some members with financial, engineering, environmental, technical, or

development backgrounds. The two members of the Greenville Utilities Commission residing outside the city limits shall be nominated by the Pitt County Board of Commissioners and appointed by the City Council. The City Council has the right to reject any nominee(s) from the Pitt County Board of Commissioners and to request additional nominees. If the Pitt County Board of Commissioners fails to recommend a nominee to the City Council within 60 days of the original date requested by the City Council, then the City Council may appoint any individual meeting the residency requirement. No person shall be eligible for appointment to the Greenville Utilities Commission who is an officer or employee of the City or Pitt County except that the City Manager of the City of Greenville shall at all times be a full member of the Greenville Utilities Commission. In the event a Greenville Utilities Commissioner resigns, dies, or otherwise becomes incapable of performing his or her duties, the City Council shall appoint, according to the same process described herein for regular appointments, a Greenville Utilities Commissioner to fill the unexpired term at any regular or special meeting of the City Council. Any Greenville Utilities Commissioner filling an unexpired term shall be deemed to have filled said term for the full three-year term. Except as otherwise permitted herein, no Greenville Utilities Commissioner shall serve more than two three-year terms. Greenville Utilities Commissioners filling the first three-year term will automatically fill a second three-year term unless the City Council initiates the replacement process.

Sec. 4. The Greenville Utilities Commissioners shall organize by electing one of their members Chair, whose term of office as Chair shall be for one year unless the Chair's term on the Greenville Utilities Commission shall expire earlier, in which event his or her term as Chair shall expire with the Chair's term on the Greenville Utilities Commission. The Chair shall not be entitled to vote on any proposition before the Greenville Utilities Commission except in case of a tie vote and only for the purpose of breaking the tie. The members of the Greenville Utilities Commission are authorized to fix their own salaries provided, however, that said salaries shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per month for the members and two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per month for the Chair provided, however, the City Council may, at its own discretion, increase these caps from time to time as is appropriate to reflect inflation, and provided, however, the City Manager shall receive no pay as a member of the Greenville Utilities Commission other than his or her salary as City Manager. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall meet at least once each month at a designated time and place unless the Chair designates some other meeting time and so notifies the other members of the Greenville Utilities Commission. The Greenville Utilities Commission and the Greenville City Council shall meet at least once each year to discuss mutual interests of the City of Greenville and the Greenville Utilities Commission. Minutes shall be kept for all regular meetings of the Greenville Utilities Commission.

Sec. 5. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall have entire supervision and control of the management, operation, maintenance, improvement, and extension of the public utilities of the City, which public utilities shall include electric, natural gas, water, and sewer services, and shall fix uniform rates for all services rendered;

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provided, however, that any person affected by said rates may appeal from the decision of the Greenville Utilities Commission as to rates to the City Council. With approval by the City Council, the Greenville Utilities Commission may undertake any additional public enterprise service which may lawfully be operated by a municipality.

Sec. 6. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall employ a competent and qualified General Manager whose duties shall be to supervise and manage the said public utilities, subject to the approval of the Greenville Utilities Commission. The General Manager, under the direction of and subject to the approval of the Greenville Utilities Commission, shall cause the said utilities to be orderly and properly conducted; the General Manager shall provide for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of utilities; the General Manager shall provide for the extension of all utilities, except sewer extensions made beyond the area regulated by the City of Greenville are subject to the approval of the City Council, and shall furnish, on application, proper connections and service to all citizens and inhabitants who make proper application for the same, and shall in all respects provide adequate service for the said utilities to the customers thereof; the General Manager shall attend to all complaints as to defective service and shall cause the same to be remedied, and otherwise manage and control said utilities for the best interests of the City of Greenville and the customers receiving service, and shall provide for the prompt collection of all rentals and charges for service to customers and shall promptly and faithfully cause said rentals and charges to be collected and received, all under such rules and regulations as the Greenville Utilities Commission shall, from time to time, adopt and in accordance with the ordinances of the City of Greenville in such case made and provided.

Sec. 7. All monies accruing from the charges or rentals of said utilities shall be deposited into the appropriate enterprise fund of the Greenville Utilities Commission and the Greenville Utilities Commission's Director of Finance shall keep an account of the same. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall at the end of each month make a report to the City Council of its receipts and disbursements; the Greenville Utilities Commission shall pay out of its receipts the cost and expense incurred in managing, operating, improving, maintaining, extending, and planning for future improvements and expansions of said utilities; provided, however, that should the funds arising from the charges and rentals of said utilities be insufficient at any time to pay the necessary expenses for managing, operating, improving, and extending said utilities, then and in that event only, the City Council of the City of Greenville shall provide and pay into the appropriate enterprise fund of the Greenville Utilities Commission a sum sufficient, when added to the funds that have accrued from the rents and charges, to pay the costs and expenses of managing, operating, improving, maintaining, extending, and planning for future improvements and expansions of said utilities; the Greenville Utilities Commission shall pay the principal on all such funds provided by the City Council with interest thereon; provided, further, that the Greenville Utilities Commission shall annually transfer to the City, unless reduced by the City Council, an amount equal to six percent (6%) of the difference between the electric and natural gas system's net fixed assets and total bonded indebtedness plus annually transfer an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the Greenville Utilities Commission's retail cost of service for the City of Greenville's public lighting. Public lighting is defined herein to mean City of Greenville street lights and City of Greenville Parks and Recreation Department recreational outdoor lighting. The preparation of a joint financial audit of the City of Greenville and the Greenville Utilities Commission operations by a single auditing firm is intended under the provisions of this charter and existing North Carolina statutes.

Sec. 8. In compliance with the time requirements of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, the Greenville Utilities Commission shall prepare and submit to the City Council, for approval, a budget for the coming year showing its estimated revenue, expenses, capital expenditures, debt service, and turnover to the City of Greenville. In addition, the budget ordinance must identify construction projects of the Greenville Utilities Commission which include individual contracts in excess of one-half of one percent (½%) of the Greenville Utilities Commission's annual budget. City Council approval of the Greenville Utilities Commission's budget will constitute approval of projects so identified and the contracts contained therein. Contracts in excess of one-half of one percent (½%) of the Greenville Utilities Commission's annual budget not so identified and approved in the budget ordinance will require separate City Council approval.

Sec. 9. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall approve the employment and remuneration of all officers, agents, independent contractors, and employees necessary and requisite to manage, operate, maintain, improve, and extend the service of said utilities. It is, however, the intention of this Charter that the Greenville Utilities Commission and the City of Greenville will implement and maintain mutual pay plans, personnel policies, and benefits for their respective employees. The Greenville Utilities Commission may require bond in such sum as it may deem necessary, which shall be approved by the City Council, of all officers, agents, and employees having authority to receive money for the Greenville Utilities Commission. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall have the authority to name and designate a person in its employ as secretary of the Greenville Utilities Commission.

Sec. 10. The Greenville Utilities Commission shall have authority at all times to discharge and remove any officer, agent, independent contractor, or employee of the Greenville Utilities Commission.

Sec. 11. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed, expressly including Chapter 146 of the Public-Local Laws of 1941, entitled "AN ACT TO PROVIDE A PERMANENT UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, IN PITT COUNTY, AND TO REPEAL CHAPTER TWO HUNDRED AND ELEVEN OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIVE, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, RELATING TO THE WATER AND LIGHT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE.", except that this act does not revive any act repealed by that act.

The purpose of this act is to revise the charter of the Greenville Utilities Commission and to consolidate herein certain acts concerning the Greenville Utilities Commission. It is intended to continue without interruption those provisions of prior acts which are consolidated into this act so that all rights and liabilities that have accrued are preserved and may be enforced. This act shall not be deemed to repeal,

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modify, or in any manner affect any act validating, confirming, approving, or legalizing official proceedings, actions, contracts, or obligations of any kind.

No provision of this act is intended nor shall be construed to affect in any way any rights or interest, whether public or private:

- (1) Now vested or accrued in whole or in part, the validity of which might be sustained or preserved by reference to law to any provisions of law repealed by this act.
- (2) Derived from or which might be sustained or preserved in reliance upon action heretofore taken pursuant to or within the scope of any provisions of law repealed by this act.

All existing ordinances of the City of Greenville and all existing rules and regulations of the Greenville Utilities Commission not inconsistent with provisions of this act shall continue in full force and effect until repealed, modified, or amended.

No action or proceeding of any nature, whether civil or criminal, judicial or administrative, or otherwise pending at the effective date of this act by or against the City of Greenville or the Greenville Utilities Commission shall be abated or otherwise affected by the adoption of this act. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

Sec. 12. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 7th day of July, 1992.

James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives

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To:	Members of the Board of Commissioners							
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(Signature of Board Member)

#### Motion To Go Into Closed Session

#### I move that we go into closed session to:

[Specify one of more of the following permitted reasons for closed sessions]

prevent the disclosure of privileged information  under of the North Carolina General Statutes or regulations.  under of the regulations or laws of United States.  [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(1)]
prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary award or scholarship. [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(2)]
consult with our attorney  □ to protect the attorney-client privilege.  □ to consider and give instructions concerning a potential or actual claim, administrative procedure, or judicial action.  □ to consider and give instructions concerning a judicial action titled  v.  [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3)]
[N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3)]
discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of business in the area served by this body. [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(4)]
establish or instruct the staff or agent concerning the negotiation of the price and terms of a contract concerning the acquisition of real property.  [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(5)]
establish or instruct the staff or agent concerning the negotiations of the amount of compensation or other terms of an employment contract.  [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(5)]
consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer of employee.  [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6)]
hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against a public officer or employee. [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6)]
plan, conduct, or hear reports concerning investigations of alleged criminal conduct. [N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(7)]