

**MINUTES
ORLANDO UTILITIES COMMISSION
May 10, 2022
2:08 P.M.**

Present:

COMMISSIONERS:

Britta Gross, President
Larry Mills, First Vice President
Gregory Lee, Second Vice President
Cesar E. Calvet, Commissioner
Buddy Dyer, Mayor

Clint Bullock, General Manager & Chief Executive Officer
Jan Aspuru, Chief Operating Officer
Mindy Brenay, Chief Financial Officer
W. Christopher Browder, Chief Legal Officer
Linda Ferrone, Chief Customer & Marketing Officer
Latisha Thompson, Chief Employee Experience Officer
LeMoyne Adams, Luz Aviles, Wade Gillingham, Jenise Osani, & Ken Zambito, Vice Presidents
Frances Johnson, Recording Secretary

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The May 10, 2022 Commission Meeting was held in person.

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President Gross asked Jill Rainford, Wellness Program Manager, to provide a moment of reflection. President Gross asked Ben Heimall, Sr. Conservation Specialist, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The Commission Meeting was called to order at 2:08 P.M.

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On a motion by Commissioner Calvet, seconded by Commissioner Mills and unanimously carried, the reading of the April 12, 2022 Pricing Workshop minutes was waived and the minutes were approved.

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On a motion by Commissioner Mills, seconded by Commissioner Lee and unanimously

carried, the reading of the minutes of the April 12, 2022 Commission Meeting was waived and the minutes were approved.

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LeMoyne Adams presented a 25-year service award to Jeff Mann, Manager, System Operations.

LeMoyne Adams presented a 25-year service award to Chris Rochester, Operations Line Supervisor.

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President Gross read a Resolution of Appreciation into the record honoring former OUC Board President Lonnie C. Bell who passed away on April 24, 2022. Mr. Bell served on OUC's Board from 2002 to 2008 and was Commission President in 2006 and 2007.

Whereas, the Orlando Utilities Commission wishes to recognize and honor former OUC Board President LONNIE BELL Jr., who passed away on April 24, 2022, at the age of 68; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell served on OUC's Board of Commissioners from January 2002 to February 2008 and was President from 2006 to 2007; and

Whereas, he was integral to a number of OUC milestones, including the commissioning of Unit A and the groundbreaking of Unit B at Stanton Energy Center, which brought a combined 940 megawatts of natural gas-fired electricity to OUC customers; and

Whereas, in 2004, Mr. Bell showed exemplary leadership on OUC's Board as Central Florida recovered from three hurricanes; and

Whereas, in the followings years, he represented OUC in an effort to work with consumer activists seeking to help financially challenged customers navigate the Great Recession; and

Whereas, OUC is indebted to him for his support in helping champion all necessary steps to open Reliable Plaza as "The Greenest Building in Downtown Orlando," in 2008; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell worked for Orange County government for nearly 15 years, most recently helping citizens as the Director of Community and Family Services; and

Whereas, giving back was important to Mr. Bell, who served as a mentor for Take Stock in Children and the Orlando-Orange County COMPACT, and as a board member for The Jobs Partnership of Florida, Early Learning Coalition of Central Florida, 100 Black Men of Central Florida, the Department of Juvenile Justice Circuit 9 Community Advisory Board, Florida Association of Community Action, Florida Chamber of Commerce, and the Council for a Sustainable Florida; and

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, the Orlando Utilities Commission extends its deepest appreciation, posthumously, to Lonnie Bell Jr., for his contributions to OUC's Board of Commissioners, Orange County government, and the community at large.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Orlando Utilities Commission and its employees extend sympathy to the family of Lonnie Bell Jr. and decree that they are provided a copy of this Resolution as a symbol of the gratitude and respect of this Commission for Mr. Bell's outstanding service and leadership.

In Witness Whereof, Commission President Britta Gross, Commissioners Larry Mills, Gregory D. Lee, Cesar Calvet, Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer, and General Manager & CEO Clint Bullock.

Dated this 10th day of May 2022.

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Ms. Jenise Osani gave a recap of OUC's 2022 Earth Month Community Volunteer Project to revitalize the Christian Service Center facility's grounds located in OUC's Empowerment Zone. The event took place on Saturday, April 29th. Fifty OUC's employees and their family members, including President Gross, completed a variety of activities such as painting, planting, laying sod, installing a privacy fence, organizing, and more.

Ms. Osani stated the Christian Service Center provides support to those in need within the community since its inception in 1971 by offering various programs designed to meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs regardless of race, religion, age, or gender. Some of the services provided include meals, laundry, mail services, hygiene products, clothes, along with mental health support. Individuals are able to get a haircut, meet with healthcare providers, and also receive assistance with job searching.

Ms. Osani thanked Ameriscape, Massey Services, and Davey Tree for their contributions to the project. These partners helped with landscaping, irrigation, and tree trimming. She also thanked the volunteers that donated over 225 hours, stating the overall value of the project is estimated to be more than \$16,000. Ms. Osani acknowledged the entire community engagement team, and especially Queen Massaline for organizing the event. She concluded by presenting a video of the event.

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Ms. Linda Ferrone announced that on Earth Day, OUC was named an Environmental Champion for the fifth consecutive year in Escalent's Utility Trusted Brand and Customer Engagement study. For the first time, OUC ranked first among all electric utilities in the nation. OUC is also the only municipal utility in the southeastern United States to receive this

recognition. Ms. Ferrone explained that Escalent awards this honor to utilities who score in the top decile nationally in the “Environmental Dedication” category of their survey. Environmental Champions are selected based on survey results from utility customers who rate their energy providers on their commitment to using environmentally-friendly energy, helping customers save energy, encouraging green initiatives for buildings and vehicles, and seeking ways to protect the environment.

Ms. Ferrone acknowledged other OUC departments that helped achieve this recognition, including Operations for its commitment to providing environmentally-friendly energy; the Sustainability teams for providing the tools and programs that help customers save; Corporate Sustainability, Emerging Technology, and New Products & Solutions, as well as the Fleet and Facilities teams for encouraging green initiatives for buildings and vehicles; the Finance team for assisting with funding; Customer Service, Communications & Community Engagement for keeping customers informed of these efforts; and OUC’s Green Team for seeking ways to promote environmental protection. Ms. Ferrone also thanked the Commissioners and leadership team for their support.

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Clint Bullock asked Justin Kramer, Manager of Emerging Technologies, to provide a presentation on Affirmative Item A-13 regarding the Substation-Scale Battery Energy Storage System Pilot. Mr. Kramer explained that OUC committed \$90 million by 2030 for storage technologies as part of OUC’s Connected 2025 strategic Net-Zero Carbon goal. He emphasized that diversity is key when it comes to energy storage and described the different types of storage options that play a critical role in OUC’s Net-Zero Carbon goals. Long-term options include flow batteries, hydrogen, and thermal energy storage, while short-term options include lithium-ion batteries and flywheels. He clarified each technology has its own use case economics, operability, and overall risk or value portfolio. Mr. Kramer cited that when using a solar energy source, energy storage is key to helping with intermittent days.

He stated OUC’s first storage efforts began at the Gardenia facility consisting of storage, solar, and EV charging and the team has started developing control algorithms and communications to integrate these technologies and optimally, control them. He also mentioned we are growing this system with the installation of a rooftop bifacial array and flywheels as the latest addition to the Nanogrid. He provided an aerial view of the Gardenia Innovation Center, Nanogrid, rooftop bifacial array, and carport array, stating that as we develop controls and solutions for providing solar smoothing and grid support, we are looking to take these solutions beyond the Nanogrid. OUC is adopting solar across our territory and adding significant utility scale solar, which will require larger storage solutions and more distributed options. Mr. Kramer stated the Substation Battery Project is OUC’s first larger-scale pilot of battery storage technology owned and operated by OUC. This pilot will allow OUC to test a range of battery operations, develop communication protocols, and develop use cases.

President Gross complimented how terrific the project is, highlighting the importance of

storage for solar.

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Mr. Bullock asked Ms. Osani to provide a presentation on Affirmative Items A-21 regarding the Robinson Street Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Hub Project and A-22 regarding the Orange County Convention Center (OCCC) EV Charging Hub Project. Ms. Osani provided background information on the EV Program and Hubs, showing an overview map of the current hubs and approximate locations for future hubs. She stated a strategy was developed around five key pillars of policy, rates, education, adoption, and infrastructure. The Robinson Street and OCCC projects are both a part of the infrastructure pillar.

Ms. Osani stated since OUC broke ground on the Robinson Street Hub project, there have been delays with construction, permitting, stormwater review, and supply chain disruptions causing OUC's design equipment and construction costs to increase. The launch of the hub consisting of 20 chargers was originally scheduled for March 2021, but supply chain disruptions have impacted the schedule of this project as well. Six chargers will now be installed by December 2022, with an additional 14 by the summer of 2023. Additionally, configuration changes were required to leverage new equipment and help manage costs.

OUC's First Recharge Mobility Hub will be one of the largest universal charging hubs in the US. Original configuration consisted of two chargers capable of 350 KW and 18 chargers up to 150 KW. Due to redesign and technology changes, OUC changed the configuration to six chargers capable of 240 KW, while the remaining 14 chargers will be capable of up to 120 KW. With these changes, the hub continues to be one of the largest universal charging hubs in the US and the charging time impact is estimated at an additional three to six minutes. She reminded the Commissioners that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) previously awarded OUC, in partnership with the City of Orlando, a grant in the amount of \$500,000 and has granted OUC an extension, as well as approved the new configuration.

Commissioner Calvet inquired about the additional cost due to the storm water issue. Ms. Osani explained the original plan was to have a small storm water retention pond on the land which did not work out. Thus, OUC had to create a system to mitigate any storm water going into the drainage system which was more complicated than originally anticipated.

On item A-22, Ms. Osani stated the DEP approved the location for the OCCC Charging Hub in February 2022. The OCCC hub site is located outside the OCCC parking lot and will be available to the public. The current scope of the OCCC hub includes three dual dispensers capable of 240 KW and the site space allows for future addition of up to twelve level-2 chargers. The expected completion is simultaneous with the Robinson Street Hub for summer of 2023. An FDEP \$221,900 grant was awarded to OUC as lead applicant, in partnership with Power Electronics as the funding partner and Orange

County as the site owner for the OCCC project, with 70 percent of the grant allocated for chargers, transformers, and switchgear equipment. The City of Orlando provided a letter of support for this project. The grant will be paid upon the completion of the project.

Ms. Osani thanked everyone involved in obtaining the grants and stated the next steps are to establish a high-speed charging rate, complete the Robinson Street Hub, and continue designing and constructing the OCCC hub. She informed the Commission that Congresswoman Val Demings announced a formal request for \$3 million as a part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Federal grant funding request for OUC. If approved, these funds will go into effect in October and OUC will have up to five years to use the funds. Ms. Osani mentioned OUC's goal is to have eight hubs completed by 2025.

Mr. Bullock added that the \$3 million is the largest dollar amount for a single project and that it would apply toward EV Charging stations. He affirmed that in 2020, OUC chose to be intentional about electrification and growing the market. He expressed pride of OUC's teams for their commitments and the progress that has been made.

Ms Osani acknowledged Terry Torrens, Sr. Legislative Representative, who was instrumental in helping OUC with the \$3 million grant. Ms. Osani concluded by stating the final step in the Hub development is continuing site selections for hubs three through eight.

President Gross commented she's pleased on the focus on site selection, which enabled the opportunity at the OCCC, as well as OUC's emphasis on EV charging adoption and infrastructure.

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President Gross presented the Affirmative Items for approval. On a motion by Commissioner Calvet and seconded by Commissioner Lee, Affirmative Items A-1 through A-23 were approved as follows:

1. Ratification of the fuel procurements to the most responsive and responsible bidders in January 2022 in the aggregate amount of \$25,975,016.27 as follows:

NATURAL GAS PURCHASES:

January 2022	Clarke-Mobil Counties	\$ 598,300.00
January 2022	ConocoPhillips	\$ 461,354.40
January 2022	EDF Trading	\$1,956,390.14
January 2022	Florida Gas Transmission	\$ 372,000.00
January 2022	Macquarie Energy	\$1,162,432.90
January 2022	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	\$1,279,866.00
January 2022	Radiate Energy	\$ 181,981.17
January 2022	Shell Energy	\$ 192,500.00
January 2022	Southwest Energy	\$1,961,543.10
January 2022	Tenaska Marketing Ventures	\$7,081,455.85

January 2022	Texla Energy Management	\$1,639,939.04
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Coal Purchases:

January 2022	Armstrong Resources	\$2,304,636.80
January 2022	Crimson Coal Corporation	\$2,701,605.06
January 2022	Foresight Coal Sales, LLC	\$3,033,150.61

Red Dyed Diesel Oil Purchases:

January 2022	Automated Petroleum	\$ 288,719.77
January 2022	Lynch Oil Co Inc	\$ 395,035.65
January 2022	Tropic Oil Company	\$ 364,105.78

2. Approval of Change Request No. 2 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate for the Kirkman Water Treatment Plant Ozone Generator Project, Phase 3 of 4, for design and replacement of ozone generators in the amount of \$3,128,057.38, increasing the total project cost to \$3,951,407.38. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to CDM Smith, Inc. in the amount of \$236,162.38 to provide engineering design and support services for the Kirkman Water Treatment Plant Ozone Generator Replacement Project, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$985,977.38. Approval of a Purchase Order to Suez Treatment Solutions, Inc. to provide ozone generating equipment and parts for the replacement of two ozone generators at the Kirkman Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$2,891,895;
3. Authorization for the General Manager & CEO to execute a new Discounted FTS-1 Gas Transportation Service Agreement and extensions of the three current FTS-1 Gas Transportation Agreements with Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC for OUC's forecasted natural gas demand requirements in the aggregate amount of \$95,472,000;
4. Approval of Change Request No. 3 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$944,646.52 for additional construction costs, engineering construction support services, and management costs, increasing the total Hughey and Garland Avenues Water Main Replacement Project – Phases 1 and 2 cost to \$11,671,234.24. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to Prime Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$183,003.45 for additional construction services for Phase 1 of the project, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,510,983.95. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 3 to CPH, Inc. in the amount of \$747,339.64 for additional inspection and construction services for Phase 2, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,717,201.66;
5. Approval of Change Request No. 1 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$1,078,176 for additional construction costs for the West Sand Lake Road Extension Project, increasing the total project cost \$3,816,646.25;

6. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for OUC construction labor and materials necessary for the Downtown Connector Trail Project in the amount of \$505,717.84;
7. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for delivery of Meter Data Roadmap use case solutions in the amount of \$893,172. Approval of a Purchase Order to Keyrus USA, Inc. for professional services supporting the delivery of Meter Data Roadmap use case solutions in the amount of \$775,000;
8. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to CDW Government, LLC in the amount of \$30,200 for the Tripwire State Analyzer, increasing the Purchase Order amount to \$106,391.80;
9. Approval of a Purchase Order to Meiden America Switchgear, Inc. to provide 69kV outdoor power circuit breakers in the amount of \$185,000. Approval of a Purchase Order to Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc. to provide 230kV outdoor power circuit breakers in the amount of \$885,000;
10. Approval of Change Request No. 1 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$2,068,003 for Phase 2 of the Outage Management System and Computer Aided Dispatch Technical Upgrade Project, increasing the total project cost to \$3,132,149. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to CGI Technologies & Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$1,090,500 for professional services to complete Phase 2 of the project, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,588,250. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to CGI Technologies & Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$824,659 to continue providing software maintenance and support services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$924,059;
11. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to A.B. Closing Corporation dba Kavaliro in the amount of \$9,200 for additional security engineering support services for enterprise security projects, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$106,950. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to A.B. Closing Corporation dba Kavaliro in the amount of \$144,716 for Salesforce support, design, and development services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$239,591. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to A.B. Closing Corporation dba Kavaliro in the amount of \$198,000 for additional project management support of Digital & Technology projects, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$271,040;
12. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 4 to Gartner Inc. in the amount of \$110,001 to continue providing IT research and advisory services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$820,380;
13. Approval of Change Request No. 1 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$4,832,809 to support the design, installation, and commissioning of the Substation-Scale Battery Energy Storage System Pilot, increasing the total project cost to

\$4,942,809. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No.1 to Black & Veatch in the amount of \$54,000 for engineering services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$126,500. Approval of RFP #5091 – Contract award to Ameresco, the most responsive and responsible supplier, to provide a turnkey Battery Energy Storage System to be installed at the East St. Cloud Substation in the amount of \$4,463,150;

14. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to AmeriScapes Landscape Management Services, Inc. in the amount of \$129,379 to continue providing landscaping maintenance services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$500,207. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to Juniper Landscaping in the amount of \$205,434 to continue providing landscaping maintenance services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$803,234;
15. Approval of RFP #5115 – Contract award to Waste Connections of Florida Inc., the lowest, most responsive, and responsible quote, to provide solid waste disposal and recycling services in the amount of \$490,000;
16. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for the upgrade of the Gardenia and Pershing fire alarm systems in the amount of \$2,380,340. Approval RFP #5123 – Contract award to ORR Protection Systems, Inc., the most responsive and responsible supplier, for all labor, materials, equipment, tools, supervisory and personnel, and permitting necessary to complete the fire alarm systems upgrade at Gardenia and Pershing in the amount of \$2,345,340;
17. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming change order No. 1 to Frank Gay Services, LLC in the amount of \$100,000 to continue providing plumbing services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$195,000;
18. Approval of a Purchase Order to GP Strategies Corporation to continue providing computer-based operations and maintenance technical training services in the amount of \$202,704;
19. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to NAVEX Global, Inc. in the amount of \$118,802 to provide code of conduct ethics and compliance training subscription services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$158,802;
20. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to ZRG Partners, LLC in the amount of \$350,000 to continue providing management recruitment services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$445,000;
21. Approval for Change Request No.1 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate for the Robinson Street Electric Vehicle Charging Hub Project in the amount of \$614,650, increasing the total project cost to \$2,509,464. Approval of an OUC initiated scope

change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to Aireko Energy Solutions US, LLC in the amount of \$268,558 for site modifications associated with the equipment selection change, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,552,139. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to Power Electronics USA Inc. in the amount of \$223,270, representing the additional cost of the charging dispensers, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$659,600;

22. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for the Orange County Convention Center Electric Vehicle Charging Hub Project in the amount of \$997,050. Approval of a Purchase Order to Power Electronics USA, Inc. to provide three high speed dual dispenser electric vehicle charging stations for the Orange County Convention Center Electric Vehicle Charging Hub Project in the amount of \$170,000; and
23. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to Faneuil in the amount of \$307,352.95 to continue providing additional call center services for customer payment extensions, billing, and stop services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$3,334,644.14.

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President Gross asked public attendees for any comments prior to asking for a motion for the board to vote on the adoption of New Business Item 1. No comments were provided.

On a motion by Commissioner Mills and seconded by Mayor Dyer, New Business Item 1 was adopted and accepted as follows:

- NB-1 Adoption of the proposed electric fuel price changes, renewable generation interconnection fee, and elimination of the afterhours reconnection surcharge, pending Florida Public Service Commission review, as well as a new commercial backflow installation fee, all changes effective June 1, 2022.

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Ms. Brenay presented the preliminary draft Financial Report as of April 30, 2022. Preliminary results appear to be consistent with prior months with stronger than budget retail electric energy sales as a result of warmer than normal weather. Total revenues excluding fuel revenues are projected to be \$11.9 million favorable to budget. Offsetting this favorable variance are operating expenses which are projected to be higher than budget as a result of rising prices from compounding labor and supply chain constraints, unplanned cost for the Osceola Generation Station and accelerated depreciation costs in alignment with the Clean Energy Plan. Net non-operating expenses are also projected to be higher than budget as a result of rising interest rates and the rebalancing of the investment portfolio. Total operating and net non-operating expenses are projected to be \$9.3 million unfavorable to budget; offsetting a portion of the favorable revenues.

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Christy Folk, an OUC Customer, spoke about Climate and Environmental Justice.

Raquel Fernandez, an OUC Customer, inquired about a legal challenge against the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA.)

Justin Vandebroek, an OUC customer, expressed his support for OUC's leadership on renewable energy and provided an update regarding his experience in engaging Florida lawmakers in Tallahassee about Net Metering.

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Mr. Bullock asked Jan Aspuru to provide an update on supply chain issues impacting solar projects. Mr. Aspuru stated that in December 2020, OUC entered into Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with NextEra Energy, Inc. for two utility-scale solar projects, Storey Bend and Harmony 2. He mentioned designs for the solar projects have been completed, permitting is underway, and the contracted Commercial Operations date is December 31, 2023. He also stated that in November 2021, the board approved OUC entering into an amended renewable energy PPA with Storey Bend Solar, LLC for installation of battery energy storage to interconnect with the Storey Bend solar farm with a contracted commercial operating date of December 31, 2023 pending final evaluation, contract negotiations, and OUC legal review. This PPA is still under negotiations and has not been executed.

Mr. Aspuru provided an overview map which showed the location of generating units, existing solar, and contracted solar. He explained the major developments currently impacting schedule and pricing, including the U.S. Department of Commerce's (DOC) investigation on possible tariff circumvention on Chinese-made solar modules and panels, supply chain disruptions, rising inflation impacting key commodities used in manufacturing and shipping of solar modules and battery storage. Depending on the outcome of the DOC investigation, the costs of solar panels could potentially increase up to 250 percent. He further explained due to the DOC investigation, many Southeast Asian panel manufacturers have immediately restricted importation to the US, freezing approximately 80 percent of solar cell and module imports to the US. This will continue until the DOC concludes the investigation. The investigation will have an impact on project schedules of at least 12 to 15 months and OUC will not know the impact on potential pricing until the DOC's final decision.

Mr. Aspuru continued discussing the impacts on supply chain due to rising inflation not related to the DOC investigation. Impacts on transportation spectrum and key commodities used to manufacture and ship solar modules and battery storage range from 49 percent to 374 percent. He also noted natural gas prices have increased over 200 percent since the execution of the Solar PPA.

Mr. Aspuru mentioned the anticipated commercial operation date for the Storey Bend and

Harmony 2 Solar Projects has shifted at least one year to December 2024. He assured that these project delays have not yet impacted OUC's carbon reduction goal timeline, nor the anticipated retirement and conversion dates for Stanton Energy Center Units 1 and 2. He concluded by stating he will provide future updates to the Commission as he receives further clarity.

Mayor Dyer inquired about the percentage of imported solar components compared to domestically manufactured solar components. Mr. Aspuru explained that over 80 percent of panels are imported. Although panels are not manufactured in China, parts used in the manufacturing process come from China.

Commissioner Calvert asked for clarification on the DOC investigation due to a claim made by a company in California. Mr. Aspuru confirmed that a small manufacturer in California pointed out to the DOC the existing tariff, expressing the tariff is being circumvented and the DOC agreed that the claim warranted an investigation. He explained the preliminary decision date of August 25, 2022 is an accelerated date and the DOC has 120 days to investigate the matter.

Mr. Bullock emphasized that OUC is committed to the solar and battery storage projects. President Gross added that although there is no impact to the EIRP, this issue is creating a domino effect.

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Commissioner Calvet expressed his joy in seeing the service awards taking place in person once again and for the ability to hold the Commission meetings in person. He conveyed that he is continually impressed by OUC's employees' progression throughout the company. He stated he was astonished to learn that 90% of the homeless people in the area are from Orlando. He congratulated OUC for being the 2022 Environmental Champion.

Commissioner Mills echoed Commissioner Calvet's comments. He expressed his appreciation for OUC's continued effort in coordinating and holding a volunteer event at the Christian Service Center and mentioned that he would like to join OUC at the next volunteer event. He congratulated OUC for the Environmental Champion recognition, which sends a great message to utility companies. He articulated his love for the Gardenia Innovation Center effort and hopes more media attention is attracted. He concluded by stating that he looks forward to seeing the Robinson EV Charging Hub project progression and completion.

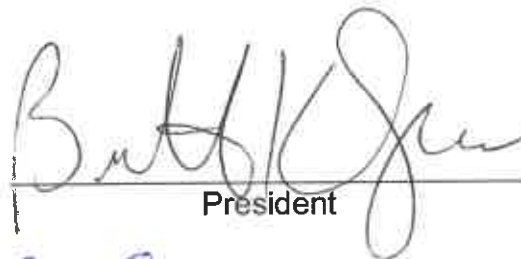
Commissioner Lee stated it was a great meeting. He expressed appreciation for everyone's hard work and time. He also communicated his appreciation to the members of the public that attend, participate, and provide testimony in the meeting. He informed the public that their questions would be addressed by OUC. He conveyed that he was impressed with the sustainable initiatives, charging stations, storage, and OUC's commitment to the 2050 plan. He stated he appreciates OUC for staying on top of the market conditions and responding in ways that minimize impact to goals and initiatives in place.

Mayor Buddy Dyer agreed with the other commissioners. He communicated his appreciation to OUC's employees for their community service efforts at the Christian Service Center. He mentioned the center's expansion of their services over the last two years, which included adding amenities such as showers, laundry, job placement, counseling, and mentoring. He recognized OUC for receiving the Environmental Champion award and expressed his gratitude to Mr. Aspuru for his update on the Storey Bend Solar Project, Harmony 2 Solar Project, & Storey Bend Battery Storage Project. Mayor Dyer inquired about the steps after the DOC investigation, and if OUC would have to pay additional penalty or Tariff.

Mr. Aspuru explained that OUC would pay in the form of a PPA price change and OUC would not be accused of circumvention.

President Gross thanked Mr. Kramer, Ms. Ferrone and their team for providing an overview of OUC's progress related to energy storage. President Gross thanked Ms. Folk, Ms. Fernandez, and Mr. Vandebroek for their comments. She expressed her appreciation to them for participating and asking questions that can help OUC pay attention to all the right issues.

President Gross adjourned the meeting at 3:38 P.M.



President



Secretary