

## BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

August 30, 2022

A special called meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on Tuesday, August 30, 2022, at 6 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Mike Palazzolo was present and presiding.

The following aldermen were present: Scott Sanders, Mary Anne Gibson, Sherrie Hicks, Brian Ueleke and Jon McCreery. Staff present: Michele Betty, Mac McCarroll, Lisa Piefer, Cameron Ross and Ethan Skaggs.

### **Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

### **Set Agenda**

The Board is asked to set the agenda for the meeting. Any changes are to be made at this time.

Motion by Ms. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to approve the August 30, 2022 agenda.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.

### **REGULAR**

#### **Resolution 22R11 - Support of the Continued Supply of Electrical Power from the Tennessee Valley Authority to MLGW Customers and Fair Ratepayer Representation on the MLGW Board of Commissioners**

MLGW is the nation's largest three-service municipal utility, serving more than 440,000 customers throughout the Memphis and Shelby County region through the delivery of electricity, natural gas and water service. As a Division of the City of Memphis, MLGW is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners who are nominated by the Mayor of Memphis and confirmed by the 13-member Memphis City Council.

As the region's electrical power distributor, MLGW has sourced its electricity from the TVA, a federal agency that sells electricity on a nonprofit basis, for more than 80 years. MLGW is TVA's largest customer, representing 11% of TVA's total load. At the direction of the MLGW governing body, MLGW is currently in the process of working on Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for electric transmission, thermal generation and renewable power supplies in an effort to ensure the most reliable and affordable power available [Source: MLGW website ([www.mlgw.com](http://www.mlgw.com))].

Leaders within Memphis' suburban communities have expressed concerns about MLGW's recent efforts to potentially replace TVA as the region's electrical power supplier. Although approximately one-third of MLGW ratepayers live outside of the City of Memphis, suburban input regarding these efforts, and other MLGW matters from time to time, are not fully-represented among the decision-makers on the utility's governing body.

Suburban leader's concerns with MLGW's alternative supplier(s) efforts fall within four general categories: (1) ensuring long-term rate affordability and stability; (2) the reliability of supply and distribution; (3) a commitment to reinvestment in critical infrastructure throughout the entire distribution system; and (4) proper representation of all utility ratepayers on the utility's governing body.

It is anticipated that a formal recommendation will be made by MLGW's Chief Executive Officer, J.T. Young, to the MLGW Board of Commissioners on September 1, 2022.

Motion by Ms. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Ueleke, to approve Resolution 22R11, supporting the continued supply of electrical power from the Tennessee Valley Authority to MLGW customers and fair ratepayer representation on the MLGW Board of Commissioners.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Hicks-yes, Ueleke-yes, McCreery-yes. Motion approved.