City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B142-14

Department Source: Water & Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 19, 2014

Re: Energy Efficiency Customer Outreach and Data Collection Programs

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Executive Summary

Columbia Water & Light's 2013 Integrated Resource Plan Update: 1) concluded increased participation levels in the existing energy efficiency programs will provide a benefit, 2) recommended to improve data collection regarding the communities' energy use inventory.

Staff is requesting two (2) additional Energy Technicians to meet these goals. This plan proposes to 1) use existing data to target customers for participation in existing programs and 2) generate a statistically valid representation of the communities' energy usage.

Discussion

The purpose of this Customer Outreach Program is to target locations that can benefit from participation in energy efficiency programs. The purpose of a Data Collection Program is to provide a statistically valid model of the communities' energy use for future planning efforts.

The current Staff IRP Implementation Plan details a single \$150,000 allocation in FY14 for customer outreach. Staff is proposing an FY14 appropriation of \$75,000 and to incorporate in the annual budget, \$150,000 in FY15-FY17 for Customer Outreach and Data Collection efforts.

The following phased priority plan is proposed:

Phase One: FY 14-15, will focus on use of existing data to target participation in existing energy efficiency programs. Energy usage data will be collected during this customer outreach. Staff expects to conduct 500-600 field assessments of homes per year.

Phase Two: FY 16-17, will focus on generating a statistically valid representation of the single family housing stock's energy usage to be incorporated in the 2018 IRP. Customer outreach promoting our existing programs will be engaged.

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Other benefits of this outreach program include; 1) referrals to Voluntary Action Center (VAC) for participation in the Enhanced HPwES, 2) distribution of information regarding solar and Tree Power programs, 3) maintenance of Load Management Switches.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$225,000 Long-Term Impact: \$525,000

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Environment

Strategic Plan Impact: Health, Safety and Wellbeing

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the Customer Outreach Program and Ordinance appropriating the funds.

Legislative History

4/9/14 Water & Light Advisory Board, Recommendation for Approval

Department Approved

Ćity Manager Approved

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First Reading		Second Reading_	
Ordinance No		Council Bill No	B 142-14
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SECTION 3. passage.	This ordinance shall	be in full force and ef	fect from and after its
PASSED this	day of	, 20	14.
ATTEST:			
City Clerk		Mayor and Presidin	g Officer
APPROVED AS TO I	FORM:		
City Counselor			
CERTIFICATION:	I certify there are sufficient on to cover the above a	ent funds available in Accor appropriation.	unt No. 551-0000-351.01-
	Director of Finance		