



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Beth Fenstermacher, Director of Special Projects and Strategic Initiatives, on behalf of the Energy & Environment Advisory Committee

DATE: June 6, 2024

SUBJECT: Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan Adoption

Recommendation:

Accept this report and adopt the attached resolution approving the Concord Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan.

Background:

On March 11, 2024, City Council adopted Resolution 9620 authorizing the City to adopt a Community Power Program for electricity supply and to join the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH). In accordance with RSA 53-E:6 and E:7, the Energy & Environment Committee (EEAC) prepared an Electric Aggregation Plan and submitted to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) on April 15, 2024.

Discussion

On June 5, 2024, the PUC issued Order No. 27,016 granting approval of the City of Concord's request for Plan Approval. City Council approval of the final Electric Aggregation Plan is required to finalize the Member Services Agreement with CPCNH.

Next Steps

CPCNH will set the utility rates at the end of June for an October launch period. After that date, CPCNH will procure power on behalf of the City of Concord. At any point prior to August 12, 2024, the City may elect to delay launch. We do not expect to launch the program without offering a lower default energy service rate than the utilities at the start. If rates are agreeable, rate payers can expect a mailer from CPCNH in the 3rd or 4th week of August, at least one public meeting in early September, and official launch on October 1, 2024. In addition to the materials from CPCNH, the EEAC will be holding information sessions throughout the Summer.