



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Members of City Council

**Subject:** P.U.C. Budget Recommendations

**From:** Penny Downs, Secretary to PUC

**Date:** November 6, 2025

**Members Present:** Brent Smith (Chair), Deb Barman (Vice Chair), Gene Matthews, John Rice

**Others Present:** Steve Hoffert, Nick Webber, Bill Albrecht, Josh Keeler, Jeff Baumann, Marin Fowler, Kristin Peterson, Drew Skolnicki, Penny Downs

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Brent Smith

### Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Barman to accept the October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting minutes and seconded by Matthews.

Motion passed 4-0

### Business

On November 6, 2025, the members of the Public Utilities Commission met to discuss the 2026 Capital and Operation/ Maintenance budgets for the Electric, Wastewater, Water and Storm Water Departments.

### Wastewater Department

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Matthews and seconded by Barman: "The Public Utilities Commission approved, as discussed, the 2026 Wastewater Division's capital and operation/maintenance budget proposals, including a 5% rate increase as presented by the Public Works Department and recommend approval by City Council."

Motion passed 4-0.

### **Water Department**

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Barman and seconded by Matthews: "The Public Utilities Commission approved, as discussed, the 2026 Water Division's capital and operations/maintenance budget proposals, including a 10% rate increase as presented by the Public Works Department and recommend approval by City Council."

Motion passed 4-0.

### **Storm Water**

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Matthews and seconded by Barman: "The Public Utilities Commission approved, as discussed, the 2026 Storm Water Utility's capital and operation/maintenance budget proposals, as presented by Public Works Department and recommend approval by City Council."

Motion passed 4-0.

### **Electric Department**

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Rice and seconded by Barman: "The Public Utilities Commission approved, as discussed, the 2026 Electric Department's capital and operation/maintenance budget proposals, as presented by the Oberlin Light and Power Department and recommend approval by City Council."

Motion passed 4-0

There was no other business put forth for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Dutifully Submitted,



Penny Downs

PUC Secretary