

Energy, Communications & Cybersecurity Subcommittee

Thursday, February 9, 2023
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Reed Hall (102 HOB)

Meeting Packet

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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Workshop on the following:

Service by Municipal Utilities beyond Municipal Boundaries

IV. Closing Remarks

V. Adjournment

Florida Public Power

Providing reliable, affordable power
to more than four million Floridians

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Florida Public Power

- 33 municipal electric utilities
- >1.5 million customer meters - ~4 million Floridians
- 14% of Florida's population
- Large Utilities
  - JEA (Jacksonville): 505,000 customers
  - OUC (Orlando): 272,000 customers
  - Lakeland: 140,000 customers
- Small Utilities
  - Moore Haven: 1,093 customers
  - Chattahoochee: 1,121 customers
  - Williston: 1,462 customers
- More than 2,000 public power utilities across the U.S., serving 49 million people in 49 states and 5 territories

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Municipal Electric Utility Regulation

Florida Public Service Commission – Municipal Jurisdiction

Rate Structure	System Hardening (reporting) and Resiliency
Power Plant and Transmission Line Site Certification	Net Metering (reporting)
General Reporting Jurisdiction	Audits (regulatory assessment fee)
Service Territory and Territory Disputes	Facilities Inspection and Vegetation Management (reporting)
Energy Efficiency (reporting)	Renewable Energy (monitoring)
Ten Year Site Plans	Grid Bill Jurisdiction (generation and transmission adequacy for emergencies)

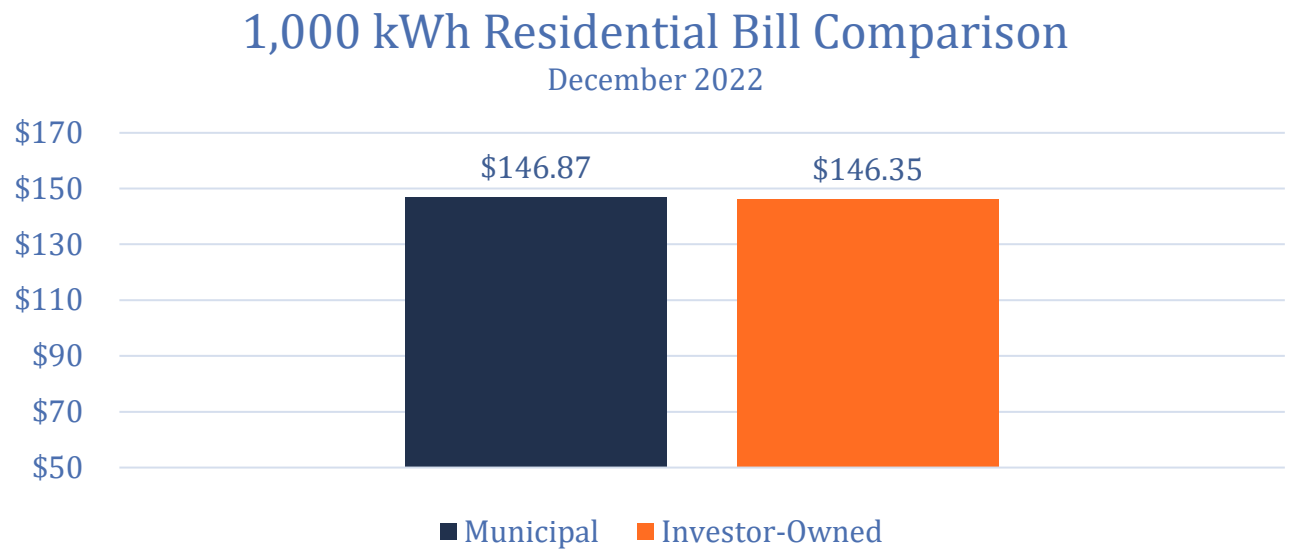
Municipal Electric Utility Regulation

- Local City Commission or Governing Board
  - Decisions about utility made locally to best fits needs of local community
  - Operate in Sunshine – subject to public records and open meetings
  - Rate regulation
    - Municipal utilities serve a small geographic area
    - Local decision making to meet wide variety of needs from local community
- Many other state and federal agencies (FDEP, FERC, NERC, EPA)

Investments in Utility

- Municipal electric utilities are making substantial investments in their utility and infrastructure
- System investments include undergrounding, self-healing technologies, hardened poles, substation upgrades, clean energy, AMI, and more
- Investments improve reliability, resiliency, storm hardening, customer service
  - Evident by hurricane response
    - Hurricane Ian – 99% of public power customers had power in 72 hours

Municipal Rates vs. Investor-Owned Rates



Source: Florida Municipal Electric Association Monthly Bill Comparison

- Average rates of municipal utilities just $0.52 higher than average rates of investor-owned utilities in December
- All electric utility rates contain customer charge, base rate and fuel charge
- Both municipals and IOUs transfer revenue to utility owners
  - Municipal rates include transfer to local government for shared utility services (IT, HR) and to support local community
  - Investor-owned rates include franchise fee and return to shareholders
- 100% of municipal electric revenues are reinvested in the local community, not sent to distant shareholders

Providing an Essential Service to All Customers

- Municipal electric utilities serve customers inside and outside of city limits
  - Territories established by FPSC
- All customers are treated equally (State regulatory oversight ensures this)
- As authorized by FPSC, can charge up to 10% on customers served outside city limits equivalent to inside customer utility tax

Municipal Electric Governance Structures

- City Council/City Commission – many
  - Commission/Customer Committee Hybrid – Lakeland
  - Customer Advisory Committee – many
- Appointed Utility Authority
  - Jacksonville, Orlando, Kissimmee, New Smyrna Beach, Fort Pierce
- Elected Utility Authority
  - Key West/Keys Energy Services
    - Elected by all customers in KEYS service territory; three from Key West, two from outside city limits