

RESOLUTION NO. 19-121, SERIES 2019

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAVIS REGARDING THE
PURPOSE AND NAME OF THE UTILITY RATE ADVISORY COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the City Council relies on Boards, Commissions, and Committees to provide advice and information on subjects that are important to the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Davis provides critical services to its citizens including the provision of utility services, including water, wastewater, stormwater management and solid waste services (through contract); and

WHEREAS, the City of Davis recognizes the necessity of having a Commission to focus on advising the City Council on future utility rates and related matters, which results in the best public policy and involves the community in the process; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Rate Advisory Commission was formed in 2016 to address this charge; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Rate Advisory Commission has requested modifications to the Commission function from that formation; and

WHEREAS, this resolution supersedes Section 10 of Resolution No. 16-173, titled, Functions of the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Davis does hereby resolve that the function of the Commission shall be revised to read:

10. FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION

The Utility Rate Advisory Commission shall have the responsibilities as provided in this section and such other duties as the Council may, from time to time, determine:

- a) To recommend rate setting principles and reserve policies for Davis utilities; annual or multi-year adjustments to the City's utility rates; and technologies, pilot programs and initiatives for City Council consideration and potential staff evaluation; and
- b) To consider applicable City goals and policies and incorporate them into utility policies; costs associated with providing utility services; utility customer needs and satisfaction with utility services; short and long term factors and consequences identified in rate studies; information provided by city utility managers, the City Council, and City advisory commissions, especially the Natural Resource Commission (NRC) and Finance and Budget Commission (FBC); current and potential future state regulations and policies, industry experience and best practices; and

c) To evaluate and compare options to improve utility service and/or change the scope and methods of service delivery; social and economic equity effects of utility service and rate options on different segments of the Davis community; utility rates and rate structures of other communities to assist with informing policies for Davis; and long-term strategies to achieve service value and efficiency, resiliency, environmental sustainability, and other City objectives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Utility Rate Advisory Commission shall be renamed the Utilities Commission. All other functions and structures of the Commission will remain as previously formed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Davis on this 30th day of July, 2019, by the following vote:


AYES: Arnold, Carson, Frerichs, Partida, Lee

NOES: None



Brett Lee
Mayor

ATTEST:



Eoc S. Mirabile, CMC
City Clerk