CITY OF EAST LANSING
POLICY RESOLUTION 2018-13

A RESOLUTION TO JOIN THE MUNICIPAL COALITION BY AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE COALITION’S MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONTRIBUTING FUNDS THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of East Lansing wishes to reduce the costs and environmental impacts related to energy use; and,

WHEREAS, the City of East Lansing receives electrical power and related services from Consumers ENERGY, whose rates and policies are regulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission; and,

WHEREAS, Consumers Energy has filed a rate case, U-20134, with the MPSC seeking to revise its electrical rates and tariffs; and,

WHEREAS, case U-20134 would significantly increase the City of East Lansing’s costs of street lighting, particularly for energy-efficient LED fixtures; and,

WHEREAS, any decrease in savings from conversion to energy-efficient LED street lighting fixtures would decrease the City of East Lansing’s ability to invest in LED conversion costs; and,

WHEREAS, other changes to rates and tariffs proposed in case U-20134 may impact the City of East Lansing’s operating costs and ability to achieve policy objectives; and,

WHEREAS, parties potentially affected by an MPSC rate case may intervene in proceedings to protect their interests; and,

WHEREAS, municipalities interested in the outcome of MPSC case U-20134 may join a Municipal Coalition that will provide legal and technical representation in the rate case greater than municipalities acting individually;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of East Lansing join the Municipal Coalition by signing the Coalition’s Memorandum of Understanding and contributing an initial amount not to exceed $302.00, and authorize the City Manager to contribute up to $302.00 more to the Coalition in the event that the Coalition votes to incur additional expenditures related to the rate case; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of East Lansing appoints Scott House or his designee as its voting representative on the Leadership Committee of the Coalition, and directs Scott House to identify and appoint an alternate representative; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of East Lansing authorizes Scott House or his designee to direct Consumers Energy to release any and all data related to its electricity use and
services received from Consumers Energy so that the Municipal Coalition may best represent the City of East Lansing’s interests in the rate case; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of East Lansing urges other municipalities affected by rate case U-20134 to join the Municipal Coalition to increase its strength and resources.

Moved by Council member: Altmann
Supported by Council member: Stephens

ADOPTED:  
Yeas: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Mark S. Meadows, Mayor  
Dated: October 16, 2018

CLERKS CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Policy Resolution adopted by the East Lansing City Council at its meeting held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018, the original of which is part of the Council's minutes.

Jennifer Shuster, City Clerk  
City of East Lansing  
Ingham and Clinton Counties, Michigan

Approved as to form:

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