



# Commission Meeting MINUTES August 12, 2025 2:00 P.M.

#### Present:

**COMMISSIONERS:** 

Larry Mills, President Roger Chapin, First Vice President Britta Gross, Commissioner Buddy Dyer, Mayor

Clint Bullock, General Manager & Chief Executive Officer
Attila Miszti, Chief Operating Officer
Chris Browder, Chief Legal Officer
Linda Ferrone, Chief Customer & Marketing Officer
Christopher McCullion, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Murtagh, Chief Transformation & Technology Officer

Latisha Thompson, Chief Employee Experience Officer

LeMoyne Adams, Orlando Alancastro, Luz Aviles, Jaison Busby, Jenise Osani, Vice Presidents Frances Johnson, Recording Secretary

The August 12, 2025 Commission Meeting was held in person at the Orlando Utilities Commission's Reliable Plaza Commission Chambers.

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President Mills asked Ryan Green to provide the Safety and Security protocols for the meeting.

### **Moment of Reflection**

President Mills asked Rebecca Greenberg to provide the moment of reflection.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

President Mills asked Greg Ross to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### Call to Order

The Commission Meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M. President Mills noted that Commissioner Landman Gonzalez was not in attendance, acknowledging a quorum was present.

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#### **Consideration of the Minutes**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Commissioner Gross, seconded by Commissioner Chapin and unanimously carried, the reading of the July 8, 2025 Budget Workshop minutes was waived, and the minutes were approved.

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#### **Service Awards**

Jaison Busby presented a 35-year service award to Brenda Howard, Senior Applications Analyst.

LeMoyne Adams presented a 30-year service award to Chris Rochester, Lineman Supervisor.

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# Affirmative Items

Clint Bullock asked Attila Miszti to present on Affirmative Item A-5: Grid Hardening Pilot Project – West Hazel Street. Mr. Miszti provided an overview of OUC's electric reliability and index measures, highlighting areas of improvement identified in 2023 and the corresponding electric reliability improvement plan. He also discussed lessons learned during Hurricane Irma and grid hardening opportunities, emphasizing the importance of the Grid Risk Assessment Tool Project and the Vegetation Management Risk-Based Assessment Pilot Project. He concluded by detailing the Overhead-to-Underground Lateral Conversion Pilot.

Mayor Dyer inquired about whether compactness of service areas influences CAIDI and SAIDI outage levels when compared to IOU's. Mr. Miszti explained that these comparisons are affected by response drive times in different service territories. Mr. Bullock noted that the varying demographics in each area impact restoration efforts. Discussion ensued regarding lessons learned from vegetation impacts after storms related to overhead vs. underground infrastructure, electric pole type, and access limitations; customer considerations and communication plan once easements are required; and project cost. Please refer to the appendix for more information.

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Mr. Bullock continued by asking Thom Nealssohn, Director of New Products & Market Research, and Rick Taylor, Director of Energy Services & Contract Management, to present Affirmative items A-8: Northern Lake Nona Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Hub Project, and A-9: Implementation of Congressionally Directed Spending Grant Funding for Charging Hub Development. They discussed electric vehicle (EV) adoption trends, the impact of charging equipment access on EV adoption, the performance of OUC's public charging network, and public network expansion opportunities.

Commissioner Chapin requested clarification on how the EV charging revenue increase is calculated for OUC customer homes, and Commissioner Gross expressed that OUC's level of investment in public charging is smart. Additional discussion ensued regarding the savings percentage of the vehicle's operating costs and whether Uber or Waymo has approached OUC for possible partnerships. Refer to the appendix for more information.

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Chris McCullion gave a brief overview of Affirmative Item A-21: Board Resolution Delegating Signature Authority for Hazard Mitigation & System Hardening.

Mr. Bullock concluded the affirmative item presentations by asking Luz Aviles to present on Affirmative item A-22: Project CARE. Ms. Aviles provided an overview of the different tools and programs OUC offers customers to assist with utility costs, including Project CARE. Refer to the appendix for more information.

President Mills presented the affirmative items for Approval.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Commissioner Chapin and seconded by Mayor Dyer, Affirmative Items A-1 through A-27 were approved as follows:

1. Ratification of the fuel procurements to the most responsive and responsible bidders in April 2025, in the aggregate amount of \$18,154,105.52 as follows:

#### **NATURAL GAS PURCHASES:**

April 2025	City of Lakeland	\$ 242,540.00
April 2025	Clarke-Mobile Counties	\$ 588,000.00
April 2025	ConocoPhillips	\$1,297,351.21
April 2025	EDF Trading	\$ 910,296.67
April 2025	ECO Energy	\$ 956,670.05
April 2025	Florida Gas Utility	\$ 120,690.00
April 2025	Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia	\$5,386,928.40



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April 2025 April 2025 April 2025 Pathpoint Energy Tenaska Gas Storage, LLC Texla Energy Management \$2,247,700.21 \$ 662,880.00 \$ 521,136.16

#### **COAL PURCHASES:**

April 2025 Crimson Coal Corporation \$ 4,512,906.08 April 2025 Foresight Coal Sales, LLC \$ 707,006.74

- 2. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Siemens Industry, Inc. to provide proprietary equipment and services for the chilled water plants in the amount of \$2,672,616;
- 3. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Classic Controls, Inc. to provide natural gas supply pressure regulating station maintenance services in the amount of \$255,175. Approval of RFP #8458 Contract award to King-Murray Operating Company, LLC., the only responsive and responsible proposal to provide natural gas maintenance services in the amount of \$860,415;
- 4. Approval of Change Request No. 1 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$1,090,464 for implementation and programming of the Lake Highland Water Treatment Plant Programmable Logic Controllers Upgrade Project, increasing the total project cost to \$1,164,218. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Rexel USA, Inc. to provide Allen-Bradley ControlLogix hardware and software required for the Lake Highland Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$395,385. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in the amount of \$562,750 to provide Programmable Logic Controllers implementation and programming for the Lake Highland Water Treatment Plant, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$626,803;
- 5. Approval of a Purchase Order to HDD of Florida LLC to provide construction services for the Grid Hardening Pilot Project West Hazel Street in the amount of \$235,190;
- 6. Authorization for the General Manager & CEO to execute the Joint Participation Agreement Task Order No. 3 with the City of Orlando for the Haralson Subdivision Water Main Improvements Project. Approval of Change Request No. 2 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$1,137,945.18 for additional construction, administration, and inspection costs necessary for the Haralson Subdivision Water Main Improvements Project, increasing the total project cost to \$4,181,134.32. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to the City of Orlando in the amount of \$1,094,633.02 for additional construction, administration, and inspection costs, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$3,783,934.79;
- 7. Approval of the Capital Expenditure Estimate for the installation of the underground electric distribution system to serve the Meridian Park Subdivision Neighborhood 13 South Phase 2 in the amount of \$560,386.05, with a customer contribution in the amount of \$155,670;
- 8. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for the Northern Lake Nona Electric Vehicle Charging Hub Project in the amount of \$1,233,000;
- Approval of Capital Expenditure Estimates for implementation of the Congressionally Directed Spending grant funding in the aggregate amount of \$5,074,213, with a grant reimbursement to OUC in the aggregate amount of \$2,440,593;
- 10. Approval of Change Request No. 3 to the Capital Expenditure Estimate in the amount of \$7,695,000 for underground and overhead construction, and installation services necessary to complete the Taft to



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Convention Center 230kV Transmission Line Upgrade Project, increasing the total project cost to \$44,229,750. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 3 to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. in the amount of \$115,000 to continue to provide environmental engineering and support services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$310,985. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to W.A. Chester, L.L.C. in the amount of \$520,000 to continue providing underground cable installation services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$5,682,670;

- 11. Approval of RFP #8201 Contract award to Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc., the most responsive and responsible proposal for vegetation management consulting and inspection services in the amount of \$160,000;
- 12. Approval of RFQ #8436 Contract award to Presidio Networked Solutions, LLC, the lowest, most responsive, and responsible quote for hardware, implementation services, maintenance, and support in the amount of \$192,933;
- 13. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Salesforce.com, Inc. for licenses and support in the amount of \$561,172.15;
- 14. Approval of a Capital Expenditure Estimate for the Oracle Database Hardware Refresh Project in the amount of \$1,729,397. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Oracle America, Inc. for database licenses, maintenance, and support in the amount of \$1,479,120. Approval of a Purchase Order to CDW Government LLC to provide server hardware, maintenance, and support in the amount of \$269,662;
- 15. Approval of RFQ #8388 Contract award to Dell Marketing LP. for BMC, Inc., the only responsive and responsible quote for Control-M software maintenance and support in the amount of \$133,246.32;
- 16. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Wood Mackenzie, Inc to provide research and advisory services in the amount of \$292,938;
- 17. Approval of a sole source Purchase Order to Ring Power Corporation to repair the 2017 Caterpillar 745 Articulated Dump Truck at the Stanton Energy Center in the amount of \$150,021;
- 18. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 3 to DynaFire, LLC in the amount of \$150,000 to continue providing fire extinguisher inspections, maintenance, and replacements, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$480,000;
- 19. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to Building Maintenance Services, Inc. in the amount of \$416,295 to continue providing janitorial services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$2,478,214;
- Approval of a single source Purchase Order to Lyons Commercial Data dba Autoscribe Corporation to provide enhanced eCheck cybersecurity bank account validation services in the amount of \$300,000;
- 21. Approval and adoption of the Board Resolution directing management to identify and pursue available federal, state and local grant funding opportunities for hazard mitigation and system hardening projects; authorizing the OUC General Manager & CEO and Chief Financial Officer to execute grant application materials; and providing an effective date;
- 22. Approval of a Purchase Order to Heart of Florida United Way to continue providing program administration and management services in the amount of \$255,760;





- 23. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 1 to the Orlando Science Center in the amount of \$820,000 to continue an education outreach program to Orange and Osceola County fifth grade students in OUC's service territory, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,644,600;
- 24. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to E Source in the amount of \$998,950 to continue providing research and advisory services, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$1,845,850;
- 25. Approval of an OUC initiated scope change and conforming Change Order No. 2 to American Security, L.L.C. d/b/a Southeast American Security, L.L.C. in the amount of \$5,115,000 to continue providing security services at all OUC facilities, increasing the total Purchase Order amount to \$21,179,500;
- 26. Approval of RFP #8222 Contract award to Eurofins Environmental Testing Southeast LLC, the only responsive and responsible proposal to provide environmental analytical laboratory services in the amount of \$400,000; and
- 27. Approval authorization for the General Manager & CEO to execute the Release of Easements for the two properties located south of East Colonial Drive and west of North Hampton Avenue.

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#### **New Business**

**MOTION:** On a motion by Commissioner Gross, seconded by Mayor Dyer and unanimously carried, New Business Item 1 was adopted as follows:

NB-1 Adoption of the proposed 2026 Operating Budget and acceptance of the 2026-2030 Capital Plan.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Mayor Dyer, seconded by Commissioner Gross and unanimously carried, New Business Item 1 was adopted as follows:

NB-2 Adoption of the proposed electric fuel rates, OUConvenient Lighting Service Agreements, and service fee changes effective October 1, 2025, pending Florida Public Service Commission review. Adoption of the proposed electric builder/developer Contribution In Aid of Construction for new construction, effective January 1, 2026, pending Florida Public Service Commission review. Adoption of the proposed water rates effective October 1, 2025, and builder/developer Contribution In Aid of Construction requirement for new meter installations and System Development Charges effective January 1, 2026

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#### Presentation

Chris McCullion presented the July 2025 Financial Report. Refer to the appendix for more information.

#### **General Manager's Comments**

Mr. Bullock provided an update on the extreme heat event during the week of July 27th. Explaining abnormally hot conditions that resulted in a significant demand for electricity across the region requiring maximum capacity operation of fuel delivery systems, transmission systems, and power plants. He explained that OUC was able to supply replacement power to a FL entity that experienced a generating unit loss on August 1st. He emphasized that OUC was one of the few utilities that had reserve capacity and was able to make non-firm



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sales to improve the reserve margins of other utilities in FL and expressed appreciation to the Operations leadership team.

He concluded by recognizing the City of Orlando on its 150th Anniversary. Refer to the Appendix for the video.

#### **Commissioners' Comments**

Commissioner Gross praised the substantive nature of the meeting and thanked everyone for their preparation. She expressed concern for the recent heat peak, which she calculated at almost a ten percent peak load increase in Saint Cloud, and thanked Ms. Aviles for her presentation on Project CARE.

Commissioner Chapin echoed Gross's remarks on extreme heat and highlighted the 30 and 35-year service awards as a testament to the dedicated professionals at OUC.

Mayor Dyer appreciated the informative presentations and expressed admiration for the 150th Anniversary video of the City of Orlando. He also announced that the State of the City Address is scheduled on Tuesday at Plaza Live.

President Mills echoed Commissioner Gross's comments on Project CARE, emphasizing its commitment to OUC's customers and the wisdom of involving United Way. He noted that significant strategic growth initiatives under \$500,000 show the cost sensitivity of OUC staff and expressed gratitude for OUC's leadership in EV.

President Mills adjourned the meeting at 4:02 P.M.

President

Secretary

Recording Secretary