



NBU PUBLIC FORUM

Water/Wastewater/Electric

Cost of Service

December 14, 2022

Today's Topics



Rate Advisory Committee Comments



Review of Power Supply Reserves, Contingency Reserves, and Bond Ratings



Benchmark Utility Bill Comparisons



Report from Sub-Committees



Review of Projected Operating Results



Review of Projected Cost of Service Process


What is the Role of the Rate Advisory Committee (RAC) and who serves on it?

- The role of the RAC is to review, discuss, and analyze rate design alternatives and provide comments to the NBU Board of Trustees and City Council.
- The RAC consists of:
 - Total of 18 community members appointed by the NBU Board of Trustees
 - 11 members nominated by the NBU Board of Trustees
 - Seven members, nominated by each member of the City Council
- RAC members represent a cross-section of customer types to represent the interests of their customer segment
- RAC members serve on a voluntary basis
- The RAC will wrap up its work in late 2022 for consideration by the NBU Board of Trustees and then City Council in winter/spring 2023

Policies/Targets and the Cost-of-Service Process

- The purpose of the Cost-of-Service study is to determine the cash required to fund operations and how to recover those funds
- Financial policies and targets are not determined through this process, they are set by the NBU Board
- Financial policies and targets are taken into consideration during the budget setting process and are approved by the Board

Public Comment



Review of Power Supply Reserves, Contingency Reserves, and Bond Ratings & Benchmark Utility Bill Comparisons

NBU's Strategic Goals

Customers and Community

People and Culture

Infrastructure and Technology

Financial Excellence

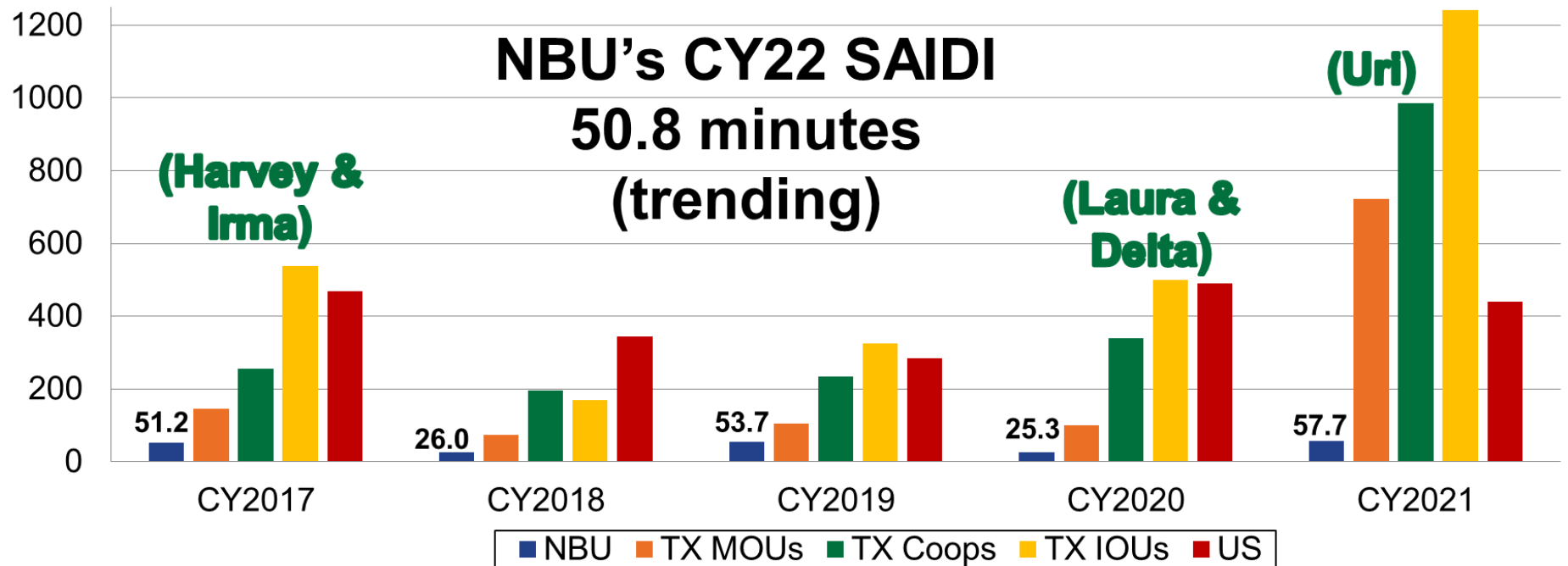
Safety and Security

Stewardship



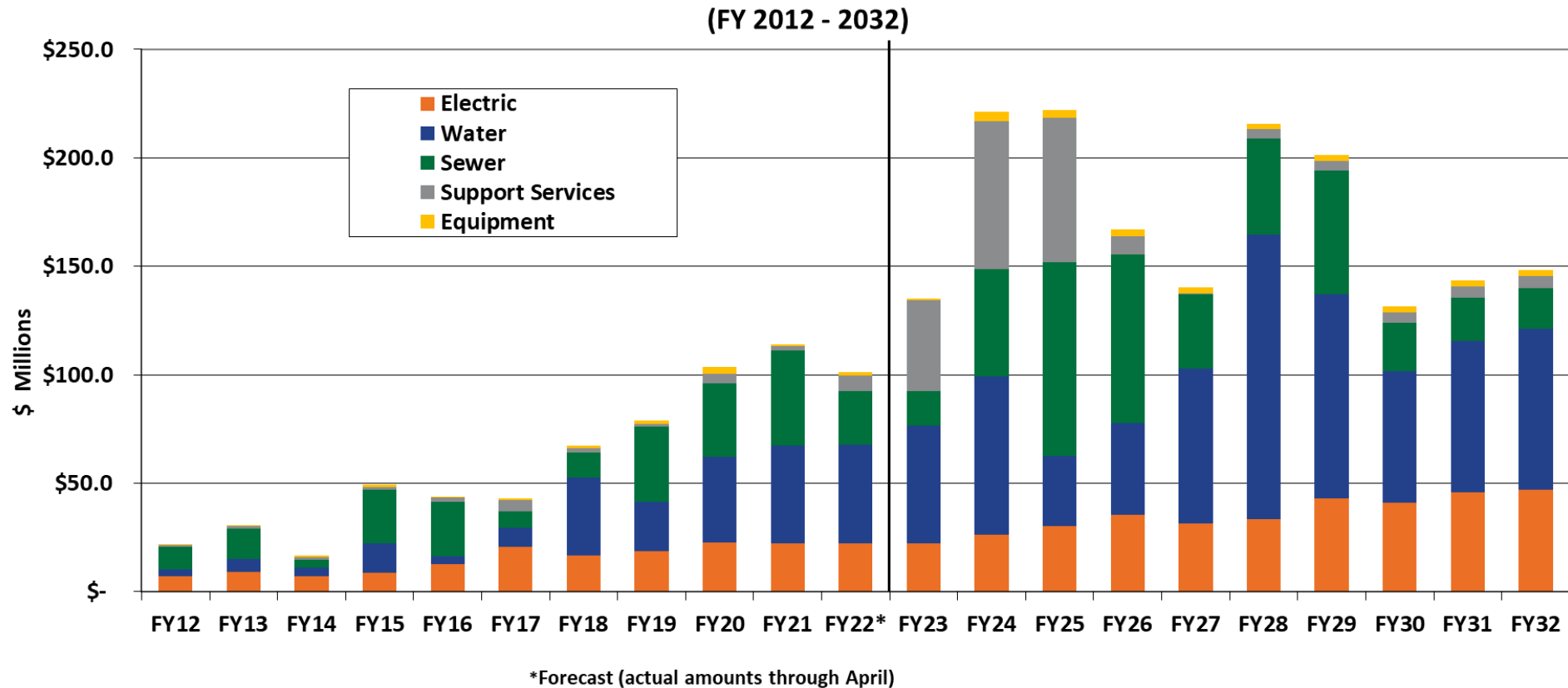
NBU's Electric Reliability

SAIDI (Lower is Better)

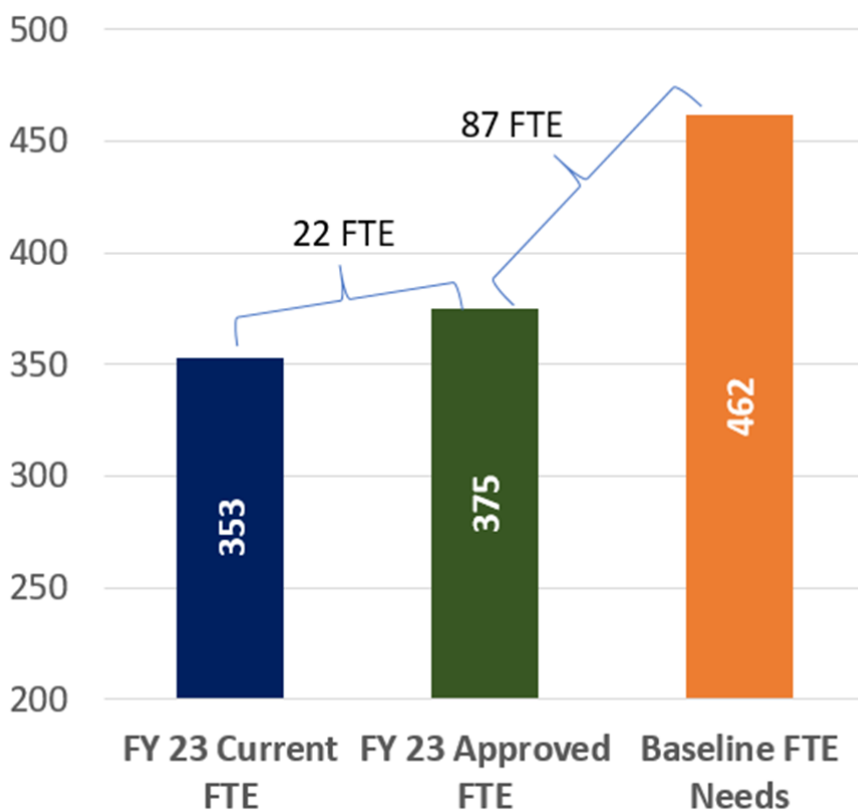


Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration
<https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia861/>

Capital Expenditures – Historical & Projected



NBU's Full Time Employees vs. Needs



Workforce study performed by Raftelis May through October 2022

Key workforce findings:

- NBU has multiple opportunities across the company to implement technology and process improvements.
- There is a shortfall of employees needed to address the base level of work at NBU.
- Raftelis recommends an additional 87 FTE on top of the positions NBU has approved for FY 23.
- Combined with unreleased positions for FY 23 This is a 31% shortfall in FTEs needed to meet the demands for work.

NBU's Credit Ratings

Agency	Current Rating	Current Outlook
S&P	A+	Negative
Fitch	AA-	Stable
Moody's	Aa1	Negative

S&P: "We believe that ERCOT's demand and price volatility, and NBU's growth pressures necessitate extraordinary levels of liquidity, and so we view the prospective improvement in liquidity as necessary to maintain the current rating."

Moody's: "A return to stability is dependent on the utility's ability to return to pre-storm liquidity and debt service coverage levels."

Bond Ratings Comparison

Public Power - Retail Systems Peer Comparisons

	Total Operating Revenue (Millions)	Debt Service Coverage (x)	Days Cash on Hand	Debt to Capitalization
"AA+" Median	\$ 503	3.41	273	65%
"AA" Median	\$ 330	2.52	264	57%
Austin Energy	\$ 1,272	0.72	217	46%
NBU - Per Fitch Report as of June 2022 (FY 2021 data)	\$ 244	1.41	89	57%
NBU - FY 2023 Projected (Based on FY 2023 Financial Operating Plan)	\$ 249	1.79	193	45%
"AA-" Median	\$ 257	2.59	231	61%
Bryan Utilities City Electric System	\$ 48	5.27	116	58%
CPS Energy	\$ 2,510	1.71	232	38%
Garland Power & Light	\$ 365	1.56	412	37%
Pedernales Electric Cooperative	\$ 827	2.57	5	43%
"A+" Median	\$ 274	1.95	95	50%
Brownsville Public Utilities Board	\$ 313	0.30	95	55%
Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative	\$ 308	2.70	35	44%
"A" Median	\$ 155	1.83	97	55%
City of Denton	\$ 412	1.11	210	49%
"A-" Median	\$ 63	1.99	171	51%
Seguin Utility Fund	\$ 60	3.20	268	58%

Source: U.S. Public Power Peer Review, June 13, 2022, Fitch Rating, Inc.

Third Party Power Supply Review



- "Our assessment is that NBU's approach & methods in the business areas we reviewed (which included Front, Middle, and Back Office) represent a sound approach to Risk Management and are generally consistent with common utility practice."
- "NBU is punching above its weight."
- Implementation has begun for TEA recommendations for continued improvement and sophistication.

NBU Reserve Funds

1. Power Supply Reserves (Power Stabilization Fund)
 - *Depleted after Winter Storm Uri in Feb 2021*
2. Contingency Reserves (System Contingency Fund)
 - *Currently fully funded*

Power Supply Reserves

As of FY23 Budget	Power Stabilization Fund at \$20M	Power Stabilization Fund Full
Target	July 2023	FY2032
Forecast	August 2023	FY2032

Power Supply Reserves Bill Impact

As of FY23 Budget	Thru July 2023	July 2023 – July 2027
Cost per kWh	1.3¢	0.75¢
Average Residential Bill Impact	\$15.60	\$9.00

Contingency Reserves

System Contingency Fund

- Target: 90-120 days of projected gross annual operating & maintenance expenses ***minus*** power costs
- Covers operating expenses (***excluding power costs***) during unplanned events
- Provides quick restoration from unplanned events to ensure systems resiliency
- Annual Review & Funding through Budget Process
 - As operating expenses increase, reserve fund target will increase.

NBU Bill Comparisons

1. Electric
2. Water
3. Wastewater

NBU's Retail Electric Price Comparison

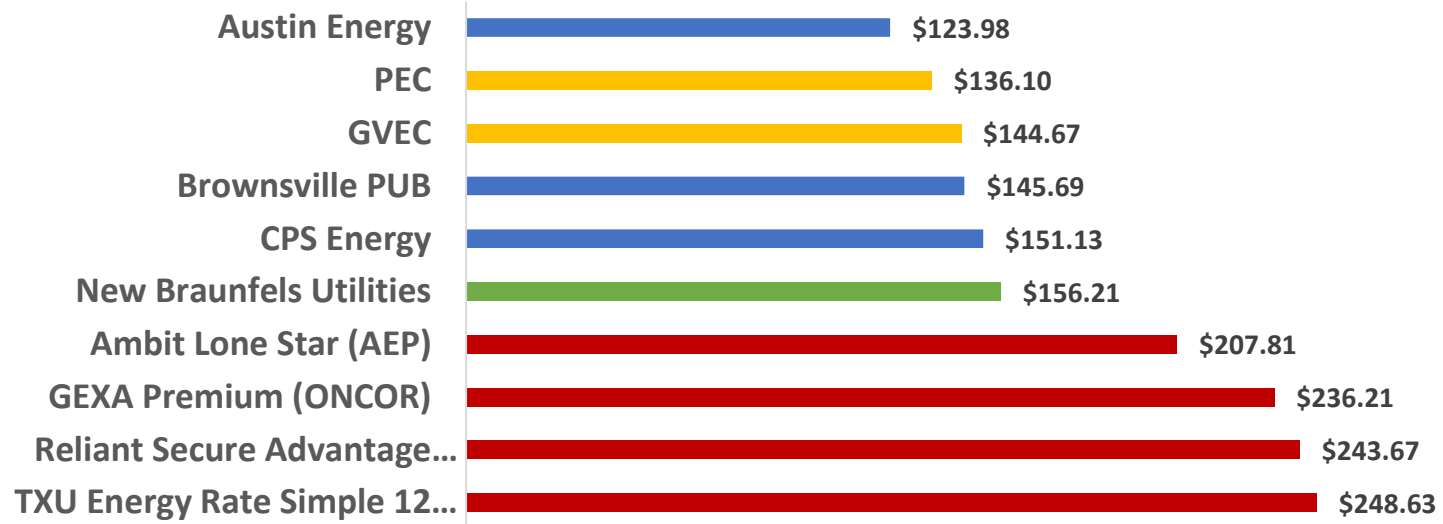
	2011-2021	
	Average \$/kWh	Average Bill
New Braunfels Utilities	\$ 0.087	\$ 104.04
GEXA Premium	\$ 0.095	\$ 114.00
Austin Energy	\$ 0.097	\$ 116.40
CPS Energy	\$ 0.097	\$ 116.40
GVEC	\$ 0.100	\$ 120.00
PEC	\$ 0.101	\$ 121.20
Brownsville PUB	\$ 0.103	\$ 123.60
AMBIT	\$ 0.108	\$ 129.60
Reliant Secure Advantage	\$ 0.131	\$ 157.20
TXU Energy Rate Simple 12	\$ 0.133	\$ 159.60

	December 2021-December 2022	
	Average \$/kWh	Average Bill
Austin Energy	\$ 0.103	\$ 123.98
PEC	\$ 0.113	\$ 136.10
GVEC	\$ 0.121	\$ 144.67
Brownsville PUB	\$ 0.121	\$ 145.69
CPS Energy	\$ 0.126	\$ 151.13
New Braunfels Utilities	\$ 0.130	\$ 156.21
AMBIT Lone Star	\$ 0.173	\$ 207.81
GEXA Premium	\$ 0.197	\$ 236.21
Reliant Secure Advantage	\$ 0.203	\$ 243.67
TXU Energy Rate Simple	\$ 0.207	\$ 248.63

* Data from U.S. Energy Information Administration and respective utility websites

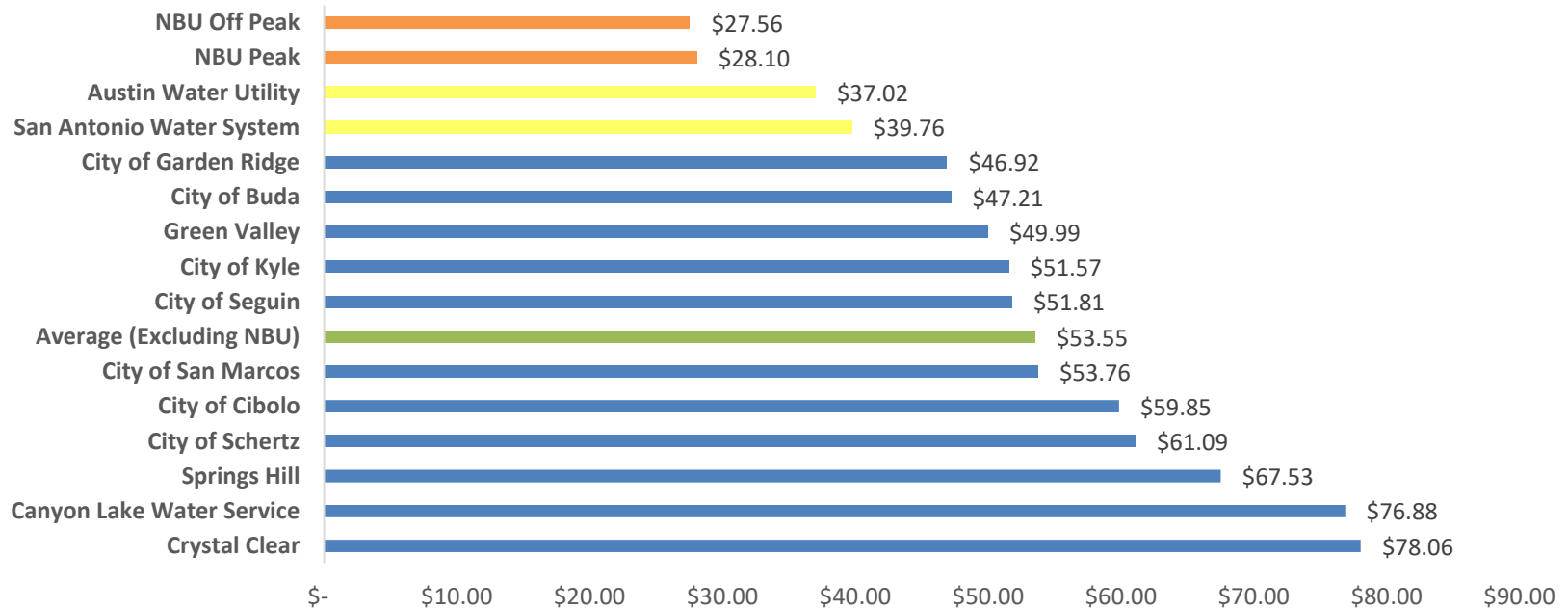
*As of December 2022; assuming 1,200 kWh Usage

Average Residential Electric Bill Comparison – 1,200 kWh December 2021-December 2022



Residential Water Bill Comparison

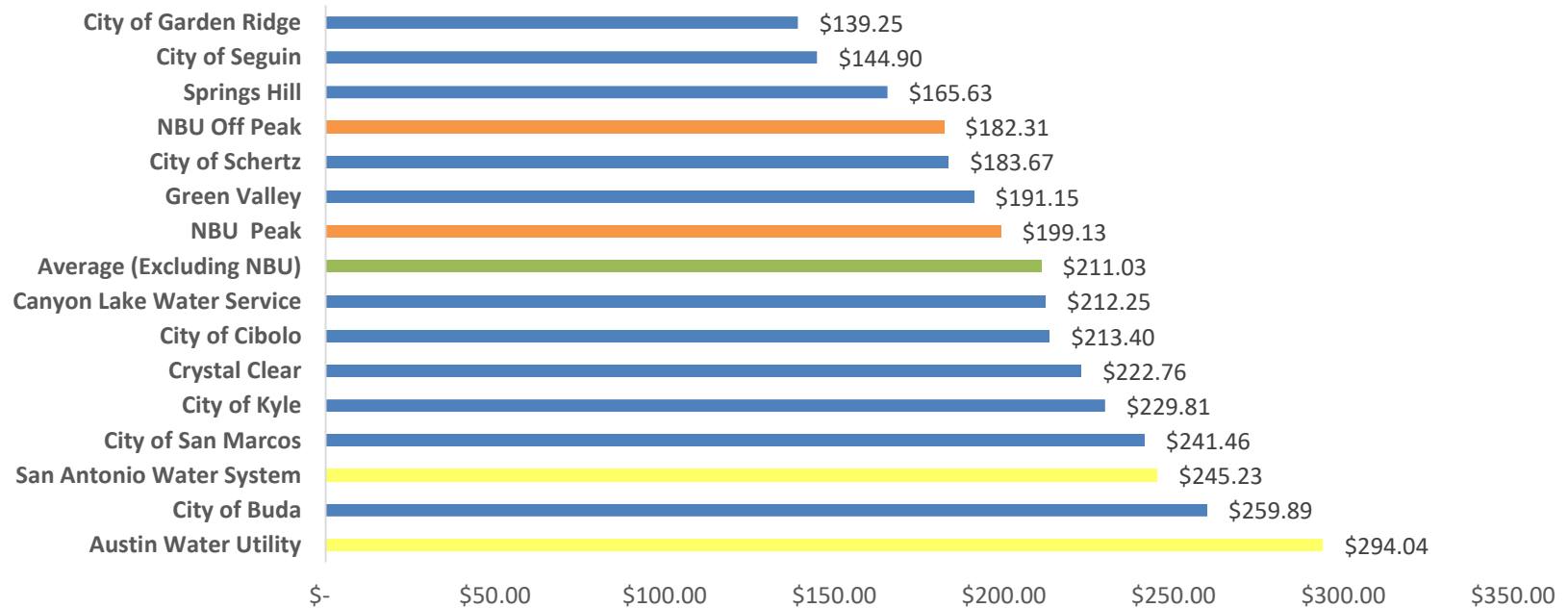
December 2022 –Assuming 6,000 Gallons



*as of December 1, 2022

Residential Water Bill Comparison

December 2022 –Assuming 25,000 Gallons



*as of December 1, 2022

Residential Wastewater Bill Comparison

December 2022 –Assuming 4,600 Gallons



*as of December 1, 2022

Utility Financial Stability & Strength

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Key Questions

At what level should NBU ensure financial stability and maintain key financial metrics such as cash reserves, debt service coverage?

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- A significant reserve is necessary and beneficial to the community. NBU will have a 3rd party analysis to look at NBU and the ERCOT market and make a recommendation on the proper amount.
- A question to consider is as the ERCOT market becomes more stable will the amount of the reserve fluctuate.

Utility Financial Stability & Strength

Should NBU maintain or create cash reserve accounts and requirements for specific purposes such as: rate stabilization, drought reserve, etc., or minimize reserves and refund to customers?

- Reserve amount needs to consider the balance of the community needs and NBU's financial stability.
- NBU should have a well-defined policy on when reserves will be triggered.
- NBU should consider a seasonal approach to replenishing reserves by collecting from customers during the non-peak energy season.

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- It was determined that that water and wastewater are much more stable and predictable and we don't see the need.

Low/Fixed Income Customers

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Key Questions

Do community values align with providing support for low or fixed-income customers?

What level/monetary contribution levels should NBU support low-income customers?

How should this support be reflected (rates, internal program, external program)?

Low/Fixed Income Customers

Do community values align with providing support for low or fixed-income customers?

- The New Braunfels community has a history of helping neighbors—both in times of financial instability and crisis and also when income isn't enough to cover life's expenses. As a community-based utility, NBU internal programs and external support of nonprofits should model this value.
- The cost of NBU services provided should be equitably assessed across customer classes (equity and fairness in rate making is being considered by another committee).

Low/Fixed Income Customers

What level/monetary contribution levels should NBU support low-income customers?

- Low- and fixed-income customers are disproportionately affected by variations in deposits, fees and penalties. Consider the financial strain on these customers versus the fiscal impact on NBU revenue and expenses.
- NBU late fees (10% of amount due) are significantly higher than those assessed by other utility companies in the region which should not be the case for a community-based utility.

Low/Fixed Income Customers

How should this support be reflected (rates, internal program, external program)?

- Deposits, fees and penalties should be reflective of the true cost of the activity or service and an incentive for an account to remain in good standing but should not be viewed as an opportunity for increased revenue.
- Levels of NBU financial support of low- and fixed-income customers should increase proportionately as rates increase.

Equity & Fairness in Rate Making

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Key Questions

Should rates fully align with cost-of-service results (e.g. no subsidization)?

Should NBU consider subsidizing from one customer class or group to another?

When larger rate changes are identified in the cost of service, should NBU gradually migrate to those levels?
For example, if a 15% rate increase was identified for the entire system, should NBU take multiple steps or years to achieve the full increase?

Equity & Fairness in Rate Making

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- NO – With the current rate classes, this may be a reasonable aspirational goal, it may not be realistic given uncertainties with cost-of-service and market conditions.
- Consider the creation of “sub-classes” within the current rate classes. For example, residential customers could include sub-classes that recognize unique challenges (disabled, senior, veteran, etc.). This also connects to the low/fixed income policy area.

Equity & Fairness in Rate Making

Should NBU consider subsidizing from one customer class or group to another?

- (undetermined) Any consideration to subsidize from group or class to another should prioritize and encourage sustainable practices and conservation (particularly with water).

Equity & Fairness in Rate Making

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- Yes – Such decisions should be made through a process that is transparent and includes a community perspective.
- Suggest that the NBU Board of Trustees consider forming a Community Advisory Board (CAB) to vet a variety of issues and topics with the community perspective as the focus.
 - Attributes/responsibilities of a CAB are open to discussion. The framework for such a board might include, CAB members would have 3-year appointments, meet quarterly and/or as needed with the Board of Trustees. A well-functioning CAB should form the core membership of the next RAC, and include some current RAC members, self-nominated citizens, as well as Board and City Council nominated members.

Conservation & Renewables

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Key Questions

Should NBU promote or incentivize the adoption of distributed renewable energy technologies (e.g. Electric Vehicles, charging stations, rooftop solar PV)?

Should NBU offer more renewable energy rate options or community solar types of projects for the electric customers?

Should NBU continue or strengthen the water conservation pricing signals or increasing tiers for irrigation?

Should NBU pursue, promote, or adopt more variable or time-based rates to allow for greater customer choice in energy and demand consumption?

Conservation & Renewables

Recommendation – Solar

- NBU should promote the adoption of distributed renewable energy technologies such as rooftop solar PV
 - The increase in interconnection requests is evidence enough that customers desire this option.
- Remove barriers to entry for customers desiring interconnections
 - Increase speed of play / Reduce permitting lead-times
- Improve communication and customer perception
 - Many NBU customers do not realize they can net their bills down to the Service Availability Charge and have future bills credited for power generated above their monthly usage
 - The general perception of the public seems to be that NBU is more difficult to work with than most utilities in this area in respect to solar connections

NBU plans to undergo an Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) whereby they will solicit feedback from the community about where they would like sources of power to come from.

Conservation & Renewables

Recommendation – Solar

- Encourage NBU to explore purchasing power generated beyond current levels (100% sell back)
 - follow the lead of other providers by purchasing additional power at the blended wholesale cost rate which would further incentivize adoption.
 - NBU should continue work to secure and distribute State and Federal grants to their customers for this purpose.
- Electric vehicle adoption rates in the service area do not warrant immediate action but NBU should continue planning for this eventuality and monitor the potential benefits of variable and time-based rates accordingly.
 - Renewable energy rate options would bring value to customers by aligning with their values
 - Position commercial customers to be more competitive when preference for renewables is a factor.
- Encourage NBU to find more options on increasing solar power purchase agreement.
 - Target of 50% renewable electric source above current 28%

Conservation & Renewables

Recommendation – Electric

- Customer Communication on lower energy use sources – especially light bulbs
- In order to reduce energy use during peak periods consider:
 - Time of use rates to promote more demand during traditional non-peak hours. Will become more important as EV's become more prominent
 - Tiered rates to encourage energy conservation

Conservation & Renewables

Recommendation – Water

- NBU should strengthen the water conservation pricing signals and increase tiers for irrigation.
- NBU should consider reducing the current tier of 7500 gallons of residential use to a lesser amount, possibly 6000 gallons, to reflect water conservation opportunities provided by modern appliances and fixtures.
 - Customers using essential amounts of water should continue paying the lowest rates possible while those with high volumes of discretionary use should continue paying higher rates
- Rates for landscape use should not fall below rates for equal residential use and high rates of residential use, such as greater than 25,000 gallons, should be viewed and billed for similarly as discretionary use.
- Drought surcharges should be increased for discretionary levels of use and landscaping
- Fines for landscape watering violations after a warning should be increased to serve as a deterrent
 - volumetric based fine

Conservation & Renewables

Recommendation – Water

- Education and rate structure should serve to shape customers long term conservation behaviors especially in regard to landscaping.
- Change definition of “what beautiful is” in regard to landscaping
- NBU should work with City and County officials to change ordinances and codes to improve new building conservation practices
 - Input from meetings with developers and builders for design and implementation of water conserving landscaping on new builds would become part of this plan.

Communication

- It is important for NBU to have a clear position on these issues that aligns with their customers and to educate the public about this position and how NBU is helping to fulfill its goals
- Water is such an important resource to this community and NBU need look no further than San Antonio to see a national leader in water conservation
- The One Water strategies for NBU can still serve as a management strategy
- NBU needs to be proactive in encouraging adoption of distributed renewable energy and conservation efforts by its customers

Revenue Sufficiency

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Key Questions

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Considerations before NBU sets rates:

- 1) Consider internal and external economic headwinds and how an increase in rates will impact the community at large.
- 2) When setting rates, consider all expenses/fees related to economic growth in New Braunfels: NBU impact fees, City impact fees, Parkland fees, etc.
- 3) Look at ways to improve operational efficiencies and adjust.
- 4) How much does NBU really need in reserves? What impact does having 365 days in reserves do to the local economy?

Accommodating Growth

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Key Questions

Should infrastructure growth or system extensions be fully borne by the customer(s) driving the growth or balanced between existing utility customers and the new customers?

Should economic development be considered in rate making or attraction of new larger commercial customers?

Accommodating Growth

- NBU should establish and meet service expectations for the development community.
- NBU needs to maintain staffing levels sufficient to keep pace with growth and consistently meet published review timelines, utility availability requests and other items required for developers to complete projects.
- NBU must be able to provide clear and timely information about the availability or future availability of utilities for specific sites to accommodate growth and allow for fair market values to be more easily established for developable properties.

Accommodating Growth

Should infrastructure growth or system extensions be fully borne by the customer(s) driving the growth or balanced between existing utility customers and the new customers?

- The attendees indicated the growth and extensions should be balanced between existing utility customers and new customers. The new customers are already burdened with the new infrastructure getting to and within the new development. New growth cannot always fully bear the cost of new growth when existing infrastructure is insufficient to support it.

Accommodating Growth

Should economic development be considered in rate making or attraction of new larger commercial customers?

The EDF and 4B are in place to incentive projects. NBU should not subsidize utility rates.

NBU can assist in attracting new larger commercial customers by demonstrating that in NBU's regular course of business they help facilitate projects and assist in bringing them to market quickly.

**Simple to Understand &
Easy to Implement**

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Rate structure should be easy for both NBU and customers to understand and to update in future years.

Litmus test – Can I calculate my bill given the information provided on the bill and the NBU website (resources)?

May conflict with pricing signals to reflect market conditions – what/where is the balance?

The rate structure should be compatible with the existing system to provide for a basic implementation.

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Reviewed Bill examples from the following entities:

- NBU
- San Antonio Water System
- Bandera Electric Cooperative
- Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative
- CPS Energy
- Pedernales Electric Cooperative
- K Pub (Kerrville)
- Xcel Energy (Amarillo)
- Green Mountain Energy (Eagle Pass)
- Eagle Pass Water Works System
- City of Hondo
- Duke Energy (Land O Lakes, Florida)
- Aqua (Canyon Lake)
- SS Water Supply
- Corporation (Stockdale)
- Canyon Lake Water Service Company
- Direct Energy (Aransas Pass)
- Frontier Utilities (Ingleside)
- Thames Water and Octopus Energy (London)

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Key content deemed favorable to understand a bill and present necessary information in a clear and concise format

- Usage/Billing comparison
 - Month vs month for year
 - Graphical presentation of yearly information
 - High/low temps for each month/data point
 - Graphically pleasing
- Definition of Terms
 - Definition of customer classes
 - QR Code – to app, def of terms, access to invoice etc
- Summary of charges on front
- Calculation of fees on back
- App offering for more detailed investigation
- Special messages section

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4 major points for Bill:

- Graphically pleasing
- Concise and comprehensive
- Definition of Terms/rates (rate transparency)
- Available in multiple mediums

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New Braunfels, TX 78130
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Hours of Operation: Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
After Hours Emergency: 830.629.4628
Website: nbraunfels.com

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE
00026854-52	12/20/2022	\$329.44

NBU Charges	
Current Charges Electric.....	\$237.50
Current Charges Water.....	\$24.41
Current Charges Wastewater.....	\$48.41
CURRENT NBU CHARGES.....	\$310.32

City of New Braunfels Charges	
City of New Braunfels Services.....	\$19.12
CURRENT CITY CHARGES.....	\$19.12

Current Total	
TOTAL CURRENT CHARGES.....	\$329.44

Account Summary	
Previous Balance.....	\$418.32
Payments Received.....	-\$200.16
Payments Received.....	-\$209.16
Current Charges.....	\$329.44
ACCOUNT BALANCE.....	\$329.44

Current Charges Past Due After 12/20/2022

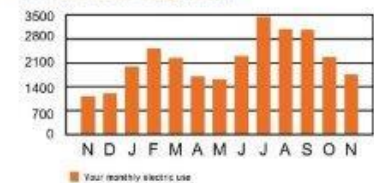
Meter Detail Information

Description	Service Period	# of Days	Meter Number	Meter Multiplier	Previous Reading	Current Reading	Usage
Electric	10/19/2022 - 11/17/2022	29	0055194259	1 RE1	163981	165729	1748 kWh
Water	10/19/2022 - 11/17/2022	29	0035026231	1 RW501	450175	454544	4366 GAL.

Residential Current Electric Charges

Generation	1748 kWh	\$138.09
Transmission	1748 kWh	\$30.07
Distribution		
Delivery Charge 1748 kWh		\$26.05
Electric Service Availability Charge		\$17.06
Replenish Reserves	\$0.013 per kWh x 1748 kWh	\$22.72
Taxes	City Tax	\$3.51
TOTAL ELECTRIC CHARGES		\$237.50

Monthly Electric Usage in kWh



Payment Information

- Received checks are not accepted.
- Past Due Balances are subject to immediate disconnection.
- The New Charge on the bill are due on the date specified on the billing statement. Payments received after the due date will be considered delinquent and subject to a 15% late fee. If new charges are imposed by check and late, service will be subject to disconnection for non-payment 10 days after due date and a processing fee will apply. Late Payments may affect a customer's NBU credit rating.
- NBU may transfer an unpaid previous balance to a customer's current account.
- NBU standard office hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Please contact Customer Service or visit our website for a list of observed holidays or for any billing questions. NBU 830.629.8400 Toll Free: 866.429.8400 Metro: 830.606.2074 Fax: 830.629.2119 Online: www.nbraunfels.com

Payment Methods

Pay-By-Phone	Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and eChecks	844.863.7380
Online Payments	Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and eChecks	www.nbraunfels.com
Automated Bill Pay (Bank Draft)	Contact NBU Customer Service	830.629.8400 or Toll Free: 866.429.8400
By Mail	P.O. Box 660, San Antonio, TX 78293-0660	Checks and Money Orders Only, No Cash
Pay-In-Person	Main Office, 263 Main Plaza	Office hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Authorized Payment Centers for an up to date list of authorized payment centers, visit www.nbraunfels.com

Payment Deposit Fee: Located at the Drive-Through at the Main Office, 263 Main Plaza. Checks and Money Order Only, No Cash

Please Remit Payment to
P O Box 660
San Antonio, TX 78293-0660

Keep top portion for your records. Please return this portion with payment.
Service Location: 133 OHIO ST
Statement Date: 11/23/2022

	CURRENT CHARGES DUE	ACCOUNT BALANCE
	\$329.44	\$329.44

Current Charges	\$329.44
ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$329.44

Current Charges Past Due After 12/20/2022

If new charges of \$329.44 are not paid by 5 p.m. on the Due Date a 10% penalty of \$32.45 will be applied to account.

Visit nbraunfels.com/billpay to apply or donate to the NBU Utility Bill Assistance Program.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

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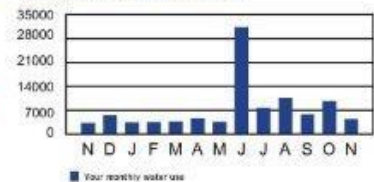
Residential Current Water Charges

Water Usage 4366 GAL.	\$8.43
Water Service Availability Charge	\$15.98
TOTAL WATER CHARGES	\$24.41

Residential Current Wastewater Charges

Wastewater	\$20.89
Wastewater Service Availability Charge	\$27.52
TOTAL WASTEWATER CHARGES	\$48.41

Monthly Water Usage in Gallons



For City Provided Garbage and Recycling Services Inquiries, contact newbraunfels.gov/swrd or call 830.221.4040.

City Services	Garbage	\$13.40
	Recycle	\$4.26
Taxes	County Tax	\$0.09
	City Tax	\$0.26
	State Tax	\$1.11
TOTAL CITY SERVICE CHARGES		\$19.12



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ACCOUNT # 123456789

SERVICE DATES: 03/22/2021 – 04/22/2021 (31 Days) METER # 12345678

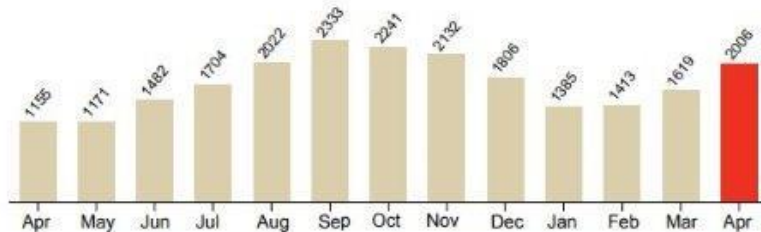
ADDRESS: 123 ANYWHERE LANE

SERVICE TYPE: RESIDENTIAL HOME

RATE: SunHub Distribution

TOTAL BILL \$ 210.00

(**26408** — **24402**) x 1 = **2,006 kWh**
CURRENT READING PREVIOUS READING METER MULTIPLIER KWH USAGE



GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION

SunHub Production
 2,006 kWh x \$0.059 = \$ 11.80
 200 kWh x \$0.066 = \$ 119.20

DISTRIBUTION

Delivery Charge
 2,006 kWh x \$0.023818 = \$ 47.78
 Service Availability Charge \$ 25.00

OTHER

City Municipal Franchise Fee \$ 5.73
 POWER UP Contribution \$ 0.49

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COMPARISONS	DAYS	TOTAL kWh	AVG. kWh	DAILY COST
CURRENT BILLING	31	2,006	65	\$6.57
PREVIOUS BILLING	30	1,619	54	\$5.30
LAST YEAR BILLING	30	1,155	39	\$4.03

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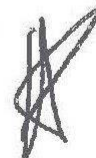
ACCOUNT COMPARISON SUMMARY

E L E C T R I C		Current Month	Previous Month	Last Year
	Days on Bill	33	29	33
	kWh Used	2,465	2,142	2,918
	Avg. kWh/Day	74.7	73.9	88.4
	Cost per Day	\$8.52	\$8.64	\$9.98

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PERSONALIZED MESSAGE

Landscapes that are inappropriate for the South Texas climate use excessive amounts of water. Landscapes can be modified to use less water with no adverse effect on business operations. Please consider a water efficient landscape suitable to the South Texas climate. Remember, irrigation systems should be checked periodically.



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LINE DETAIL - RATES

ACCOUNT NUMBER	MEMBER NUMBER	NAME				SERVICE DESCRIPTION		BILLING DATE	
3030081001	3030081	ISAAC MOLINA				1036 RIO RANCHERO RD-MEN HOUSE		10/27/2022	
SERVICE		NO DAYS		READING		MULTIPLIER	KWH USAGE	METER NUMBER	TYPE SERVICE
FROM	TO			PREVIOUS	PRESENT				
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		34680	36305	1	236	104049	Economy
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		34680	36305	1	944	104049	Normal
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		34680	36305	1	465	104049	Peak
SERVICE LOCATION: 1036 RIO RANCHERO RD									
COMPARISONS		Days	Total kWh	Avg. kWh/Day		Previous Balance			
Current Billing Period		30	1645	54		Payments Received			
Same Period Last Year		30	1796	58		Balance Forward			
						Outdoor Light-Availability			
						Economy Energy			
						Economy Energy			
						Normal Energy			
						Normal Energy			
						Peak Energy			
						Peak Energy			
						Distribution Charge			
						Availability Charge			
						*** AMOUNT DUE ELECTRIC ***			
						248.96			
						246.96CR			
						0.00			
						25.50			
						1.10			
						11.26			
						4.95			
						50.24			
						5.72			
						28.21			
						35.14			
						25.00			
						18.00			

ACCOUNT NUMBER		MEMBER NUMBER		NAME			SERVICE DESCRIPTION		BILLING DATE	
3030081002		3030081		ISAAC MOLINA			1036 RIO RANCHERO RD-QUEST HOUSE		10/27/2022	
SERVICE		NO DAYS		READING			MULTIPLIER	KWH USAGE	METER NUMBER	TYPE SERVICE
FROM	TO			PREVIOUS	PRESENT					
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		50193	51374	1	226	104053	Economy	
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		50193	51374	1	681	104053	Normal	
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		50193	51374	1	270	104053	Peak	
SERVICE LOCATION: 1036 RIO RANCHERO RD										
COMPARISONS		Days	Total kWh	Avg. kWh/Day	Previous Balance					174.81
Current Billing Period		30	1179	39	Payments Received					174.81CR
Same Period Last Year		30	1374	45	Balance Forward					0.00
					Economy Energy					23 kWh x \$0.046594 = 1.06
					Economy Energy					206 kWh x \$0.083026 = 10.88
					Normal Energy					68 kWh x \$0.052589 = 3.58
					Normal Energy					613 kWh x \$0.08513 = 56.24
					Peak Energy					27 kWh x \$0.122955 = 3.32
					Peak Energy					243 kWh x \$0.067414 = 16.38
					Distribution Charge					1,179 kWh x \$0.021358 = 25.18
					Availability Charge					25.00
					*** AMOUNT DUE ELECTRIC ***					121.64

ACCOUNT NUMBER	MEMBER NUMBER	NAME				SERVICE DESCRIPTION		BILLING DATE	
3030081013	3030081	ISAAC MOLINA				1036 RIO RANCHERO RD-POOL		10/27/2022	
SERVICE		NO DAYS		READING		MULTIPLIER	KWH USAGE	METER NUMBER	TYPE SERVICE
FROM	TO			PREVIOUS	PRESENT				
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		98314	98836	1	283	104055	Economy
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		98314	98836	1	116	104055	Normal
09/27/2022	10/27/2022	30		98314	98836	1	122	104055	Peak
SERVICE LOCATION: 1036 RIO RANCHERO RD									
COMPARISONS		Days	Total kWh	Avg. kWh/Day	Previous Balance				
Current Billing Period		30	521	17	Payments Received				
Same Period Last Year		30	463	15	Balance Forward				
					Economy Energy				
					Economy Energy				
					Normal Energy				
					Normal Energy				
					Peak Energy				
					Peak Energy				
					Distribution Charge				
					Availability Charge				
					*** AMOUNT DUE ELECTRIC ***				
					62.84				
					82.84CR				
					0.00				
					26 kWh x \$0.046594 =				
					1.32				
					236 kWh x \$0.053025 =				
					13.51				
					12 kWh x \$0.052589 =				
					0.61				
					104 kWh x \$0.059817 =				
					6.17				
					12 kWh x \$0.122956 =				
					1.50				
					110 kWh x \$0.067414 =				
					7.40				
					521 kWh x \$0.021358 =				
					11.13				
					25.00				
					66.64				

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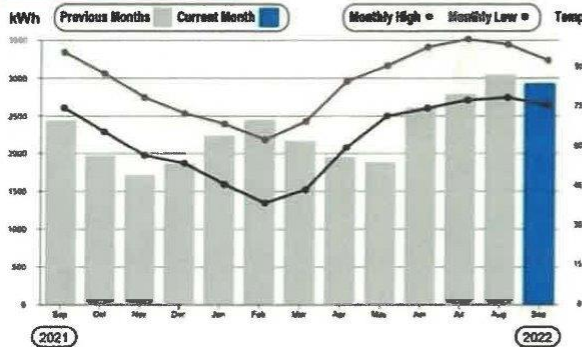
**TOTAL
AMOUNT DUE**
\$305.41
Due Date
10/11/2022

Director District: 6
Bill Date: 09/23/2022

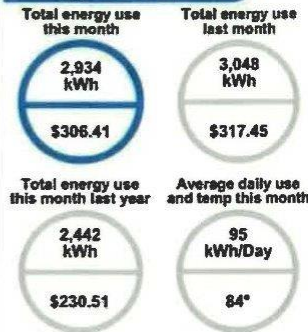
This bill does not reflect payments after 09/23/20
Charge detail found on the back of this page.

Service Address: 1874 ROLLING RIVER VIEW

Monthly energy use



Energy comparison



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	Billing Period		Days	Readings		Meter Multiplier	kWh Usage	Rate Type
	From	To		Previous	Present			
	08/20/22	09/20/22	31	19476	22410	1	2,934	Residential & Farm/Ranch
Previous Account Activity								
Previous Balance				\$316.45	Current Activity			
Payment Received - "Thank You"				-\$316.45	Service Availability Charge			
Balance Forward				\$0.00	Delivery Charge			
					2,934 kWh @ \$0.026405			
					\$83.34			
					Base Power Cost			
					2,934 kWh @ \$0.044500			
					\$130.56			
					TCOS Pass-Through Charge			
					2,934 kWh @ \$0.018860			
					\$49.47			
					Temporary Storm Surcharge			
					2,934 kWh @ \$0.007000			
					\$20.54			
					eBilling Credit			
					-\$1.00			
					Current Charges			
					\$305.41			

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE
\$305.41
Due Date: 10/11/2022

Important terms & definitions:

Service Availability Charge recovers the cost of billing, metering, collections, customer service, and enterprise costs. This fixed monthly charge does not vary based on kilowatt-hour (kWh) use.

Delivery Charge (\$ per kWh use) recovers the cost of the distribution infrastructure that delivers electricity to your home.

Temporary Winter Storm Surcharge (\$ per kWh use) is the temporary surcharge PEC is collecting to pay debt associated with the 2021 extreme winter storm event. The surcharge will end no later than September 30, 2023.

Peak Demand Charge (\$ per kWh use) recovers the cost of the distribution infrastructure that delivers electricity to your location.

Power of Change is a voluntary program. Make a one-time donation or pledge to round up your electric bill to the nearest dollar each month. All contributions go toward nonprofits.

TCOS Pass-Through Charge (\$ per kWh) recovers the cost incurred by PEC for the use of the ERCOT transmission system. These costs are set by the Public Utility Commission and passed-through to our members without additional charges.

Franchise Fee is mandated by city ordinance for use of streets or public ways. PEC is required by the city to collect the fee from members within city limits and then remit all fees to the city.

Base Power Cost (\$ per kWh use) recovers the cost of electricity and associated costs.

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Rate structure should be easy for both NBU and customers to understand and to update in future years.

Litmus test – Can I calculate my bill given the information provided on the bill and the NBU website (resources)?

May conflict with pricing signals to reflect market conditions – what/where is the balance?

The rate structure should be compatible with the existing system to provide for a basic implementation.

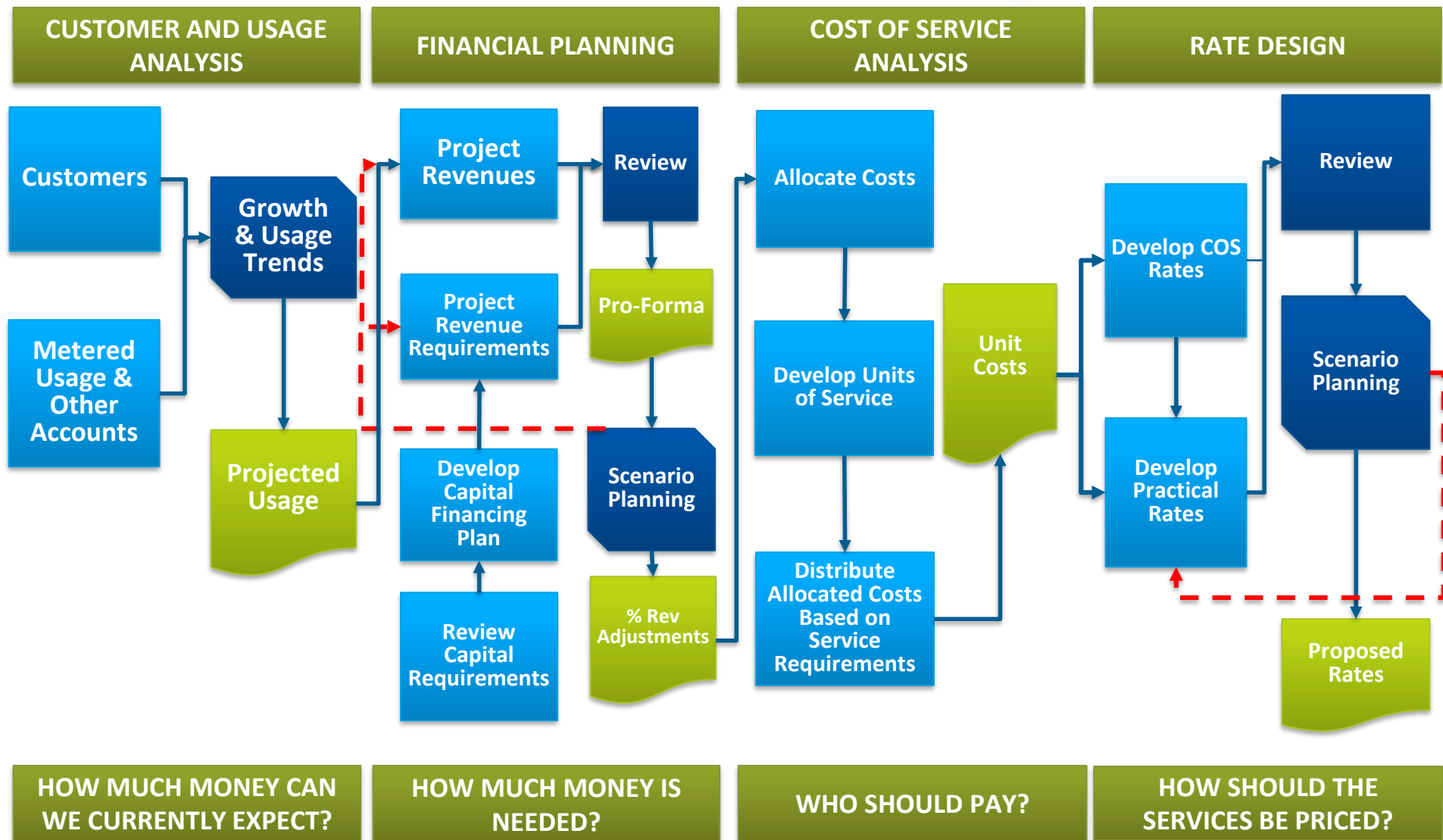
Simple to Understand & Easy to Implement

Values

We recognize the complexity of this task that we aren't implementing. That said, there are some values that should be feasible to scale:

1. Detailed & easy to understand
2. Transparent
3. Searchable – customer if interested
4. Multi platform (dimensionality)
5. Proactive (crisis communications)

Rate Process Flow



Projected Water Operating Results

Line No.	Description	Budgeted	Projected			
		FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	Revenues					
1	Operating Revenues from Sales	\$ 40,758,444	\$ 39,995,265	\$ 41,887,032	\$ 43,870,640	\$ 44,915,420
2	Other Operating Revenues	745,000	759,900	775,098	790,600	806,412
3	Non-Operating Revenues	13,032,236	17,091,313	21,663,808	30,478,984	34,855,685
4	Total Revenues	\$ 54,535,680	\$ 57,846,478	\$ 64,325,938	\$ 75,140,225	\$ 80,577,516
	Expenses					
5	Purchased Water	\$ 10,680,576	\$ 10,894,187	\$ 11,112,071	\$ 11,334,313	\$ 11,560,999
6	Operating Expenses	8,231,738	8,455,750	8,686,940	8,925,578	9,171,943
7	Non-Operating Expenses	9,131,231	9,347,248	9,568,588	9,795,386	10,027,783
8	Total Expenses	\$ 28,043,544	\$ 28,697,186	\$ 29,367,599	\$ 30,055,276	\$ 30,760,725
9	Revenue Available for Debt Service	\$ 26,492,136	\$ 29,149,292	\$ 34,958,339	\$ 45,084,948	\$ 49,816,791
	Debt Service					
10	Existing Debt Service	\$ 9,580,957	\$ 10,373,015	\$ 10,352,707	\$ 10,422,805	\$ 10,494,195
11	Future Debt Service	-	734,418	2,509,046	4,099,024	5,317,718
12	Total Debt Service	\$ 9,580,957	\$ 11,107,432	\$ 12,861,753	\$ 14,521,829	\$ 15,811,913
13	Debt Service Coverage	2.77	2.62	2.72	3.10	3.15
14	Less Revenue from Impact Fees	\$ 11,142,367	\$ 15,163,647	\$ 19,697,589	\$ 28,473,440	\$ 32,810,030
15	Revenue Available for Transfers/Reserves/Capital	\$ 5,768,812	\$ 2,878,213	\$ 2,398,997	\$ 2,089,679	\$ 1,194,848
	Other Expenditures					
16	City Transfer	\$ 997,156	\$ 1,197,909	\$ 1,279,749	\$ 1,298,265	\$ 1,258,641
17	Contingency Reserves	65,000	74,671	77,063	79,546	82,122
18	Capital Expenditures (Cash Funded from Rates)	2,621,182	4,227,255	4,361,991	12,573,435	15,265,301
19	Total Other Expenditures	\$ 3,683,339	\$ 5,499,835	\$ 5,718,804	\$ 13,951,246	\$ 16,606,064
20	Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency)	\$ 2,085,474	\$ (2,621,622)	\$ (3,319,806)	\$ (11,861,567)	\$ (15,411,216)
21	Excess Funds Utilized to Fund Capital (Prior Year)	\$ (1,773,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
22	Adjusted Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency)	\$ 312,474	\$ (2,621,622)	\$ (3,319,806)	\$ (11,861,567)	\$ (15,411,216)
23	Adjusted Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency) (with Annual Increases)	\$ 312,474	\$ (2,621,622)	\$ (574,182)	\$ (8,551,564)	\$ (3,960,224)
24	% Rate Increase Required (with Annual Increases)	0.00%	6.55%	1.29%	18.13%	7.03%
25	% Levelized Rate Increase Required (with Annual Increases)	0.00%	9.50%	9.50%	9.50%	7.75%

Water Cost of Service Results

Line	Description	Allocated 2024 Cost of Service	2024 Existing Rate Revenues	Revenue Over/(Under) Recovery		Percent Increase for Full Cost Recovery
				Amount	Percent	
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)	(%)
	New Braunfels Utilities					
1	Residential	\$ 22,678,464	\$ 16,088,136	\$ (6,590,328)	71%	41%
2	Residential Irrigation	7,223,051	8,394,417	1,171,366	116%	-14%
3	Commercial	6,738,315	7,666,478	928,163	114%	-12%
4	Commercial Irrigation	2,252,865	3,296,679	1,043,814	146%	-32%
5	Multi-Unit Res 2-4	205,114	243,691	38,577	119%	-16%
6	Multi-Unit Res 5+	1,483,473	2,566,976	1,083,503	173%	-42%
7	Commercial - Re-Use Water	120,441	70,623	(49,817)	59%	71%
8	Other Sales	\$ 1,915,166	\$ 1,668,266	(246,900)	87%	15%
9	Total	\$ 42,616,887	\$ 39,995,265	\$ (2,621,622)	93.85%	6.55%

Projected Wastewater Operating Results

Line No.	Description		Budgeted	Projected			
			FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	Revenues						
1	Operating Revenues from Sales		\$ 32,277,015	\$ 37,398,053	\$ 39,788,176	\$ 41,308,284	\$ 42,779,125
2	Other Operating Revenues		265,000	270,300	275,706	281,220	286,845
3	Non-Operating Revenues		8,066,881	9,280,026	11,443,136	13,246,694	14,541,200
4	Total Revenues		\$ 40,608,897	\$ 46,948,380	\$ 51,507,018	\$ 54,836,198	\$ 57,607,169
	Expenses						
5	Operating Expenses		\$ 7,415,484	\$ 7,749,939	\$ 8,099,693	\$ 8,465,456	\$ 8,847,970
6	Non-Operating Expenses		6,911,295	7,186,946	7,473,608	7,771,720	8,081,740
7	Total Expenses		\$ 14,326,779	\$ 14,936,885	\$ 15,573,302	\$ 16,237,177	\$ 16,929,710
8	Revenue Available for Debt Service		\$ 26,282,118	\$ 32,011,494	\$ 35,933,716	\$ 38,599,021	\$ 40,677,459
	Debt Service						
9	Existing Debt Service		\$ 8,878,409	\$ 9,025,486	\$ 8,983,836	\$ 8,975,399	\$ 8,968,126
10	Future Debt Service		-	2,439,694	8,176,202	12,915,819	16,078,463
11	Total Debt Service		\$ 8,878,409	\$ 11,465,180	\$ 17,160,038	\$ 21,891,218	\$ 25,046,589
12	Debt Service Coverage		2.96	2.79	2.09	1.76	1.62
13	Less Revenue from Impact Fees		\$ 6,908,791	\$ 7,864,933	\$ 8,795,437	\$ 11,378,076	\$ 12,659,696
14	Revenue Available for Transfers/Reserves/Capital		\$ 10,494,918	\$ 12,681,381	\$ 9,978,241	\$ 5,329,727	\$ 2,971,175
	Other Expenditures						
15	City Transfer		980,328	1,124,448	1,220,951	1,249,889	1,198,429
16	Contingency Reserves		56,000	111,485	116,585	121,921	127,505
17	Capital Expenditures (Cash Funded from Rates)		10,594,161	12,216,281	12,370,314	12,095,171	12,126,320
18	Total Other Expenditures		\$ 11,630,489	\$ 13,452,213	\$ 13,707,849	\$ 13,466,980	\$ 13,452,254
19	Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency)		\$ (1,135,571)	\$ (770,832)	\$ (3,729,608)	\$ (8,137,254)	\$ (10,481,079)
20	Excess Funds Utilized to Fund Capital (Prior Year)		\$ 1,341,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
21	Adjusted Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency)		\$ 205,429	\$ (770,832)	\$ (3,729,608)	\$ (8,137,254)	\$ (10,481,079)
22	Adjusted Revenue Surplus/(Deficiency) (with Annual Increases)		\$ 205,429	\$ (770,832)	\$ (2,913,426)	\$ (4,372,678)	\$ (2,586,623)
23	% Rate Increase Required (With Annual Increases)		0.00%	2.11%	7.38%	10.00%	5.26%
24	% Levelized Rate Increase Required (with Annual Increases)			7.25%	7.25%	6.75%	5.75%

Wastewater Cost of Service Results

Line	Description	Allocated Cost of Service	Existing Revenues	Revenue Over/(Under) Recovery		Percent Increase for Full Cost Recovery
				Amount	Percent	
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)	(%)
	New Braunfels Utilities					
1	Residential	\$ 21,892,670	\$ 20,373,858	\$ (1,518,812)	93%	7.45%
2	Commercial	11,269,831	11,904,985	635,154	106%	-5.34%
3	Multi-Unit 2-4	182,829	186,224	3,395	102%	-1.82%
4	Multi-Unit 5+	\$ 3,930,565	\$ 4,039,996	109,431	103%	-2.71%
5	Total	\$ 37,275,895	\$ 36,505,063	\$ (770,832)	98%	2.11%

Projected Electric Operating Results

Line No.	Description	Budgeted	Projected			
		FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	Revenues					
1	Operating Revenues from Sales	\$ 170,627,495	\$ 157,937,752	\$ 159,830,870	\$ 164,754,293	\$ 171,130,785
2	Other Operating Revenues	5,146,376	5,277,354	5,636,554	6,226,069	6,586,268
3	Non-Operating Revenues	1,153,000	1,138,000	1,138,000	1,138,000	1,138,000
4	Total Revenues	\$176,926,870	\$164,353,105	\$ 166,605,424	\$172,118,362	\$178,855,053
	Expenses					
5	Operating Expenses	\$ 144,158,358	\$ 135,531,205	\$ 136,983,455	\$ 141,138,768	\$ 146,872,505
6	Non-Operating Expenses	\$ 12,138,611	\$ 13,636,277	\$ 15,714,202	\$ 16,284,853	\$ 18,017,953
7	Total Expenses	\$156,296,969	\$149,167,482	\$152,697,658	\$157,423,621	\$164,890,459
8	Revenue Available for Debt Service	\$20,629,902	\$15,185,623	\$13,907,766	\$14,694,741	\$13,964,594
9	Total Debt Service	\$ 5,413,239	\$ 8,241,523	\$ 10,968,662	\$ 12,970,041	\$ 14,665,727
10	Debt Service Coverage	3.81	1.84	1.27	1.13	0.95
11	Revenue Available for Transfers/Reserves/Capital	\$15,216,662	\$6,944,100	\$2,939,104	\$1,724,701	(\$701,133)
	Other Expenditures					
12	City Transfer	\$ 8,794,431	\$ 9,475,184	\$ 9,435,080	\$ 9,771,214	\$ 10,019,624
13	Contingency Reserves	\$ 63,625	\$ 525,317	\$ 732,120	\$ 612,857	\$ 416,385
14	Capital Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 42,312	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
15	Total Other Expenditures	\$ 8,858,056	\$ 10,042,813	\$ 10,167,200	\$ 10,384,071	\$ 10,436,009
16	Revenue Surplus (Deficiency)	\$ 6,358,606	\$ (3,098,714)	\$ (7,228,096)	\$ (8,659,371)	\$ (11,137,142)
17	Revenue Surplus (Deficiency) After Rate Changes	\$ 6,358,606	\$ (3,098,714)	\$ 862,878	\$ 7,822,451	\$ 13,964,717
18	Effective Rate Increase (Bill)	0.00%	0.0%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%

Note: As recommended rate increases are implemented, DSCRs increase as well as the Revenue Surplus to fund Capital Projects. Resulting DSCRs are 2.0+

Electric Cost of Service Results

Line	Description	Allocated 2023-2027 Cost of Service	2023-2027 Rate Revenues	Revenue Over/(Under) Recovery		Percent Increase for Full Cost Recovery
				Amount	Percent	
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(%)	(%)
	New Braunfels Utilities					
1	Residential Service (RE)	\$ 77,327,007	\$ 71,161,686	\$ (6,165,321)	92%	9%
2	Small General Service (SGS)	\$ 8,432,443	\$ 7,671,641	\$ (760,802)	91%	10%
3	Large General Service (LGS)	\$ 44,578,022	\$ 39,120,227	\$ (5,457,794)	88%	14%
4	Very Large Power (VLP)	\$ 12,276,350	\$ 11,185,799	\$ (1,090,551)	91%	10%
5	Transmission Service (TSR)	\$ 33,058,226	\$ 34,410,421	\$ 1,352,194	104%	-4%
6	Lighting Classes	\$ 301,445	\$ 354,431	\$ 52,986	118%	-15%
7	Total	\$ 175,973,492	\$ 163,904,205	\$ (12,069,288)	93%	7%

What Next?

- January 11, 2023 – Rates & Rate Structures
- January 18, 2023 – Final Review/Wrap-up

Questions and Discussions

