



City of Duluth

411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Meeting Agenda

Duluth Public Utilities Commission.

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

5:15 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall, 411 West First
Street

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The Duluth Public Utilities Commission will hold a public hearing by electronic means regarding a proposed sanitary sewer rate increase on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 5:15 p.m. The purpose of this public hearing will be to explain the proposed 4.5% increase to the sanitary sewer variable rates and to receive comments from the public regarding the proposed change. The public hearing will be held at the commencement of the regular Commission meeting, which will be held by "other electronic means" pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021 in response to the COVID-19 emergency. Some members of the Board will be participating through video conference.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT: Due to the COVID-19 emergency and the limitation on the use of City facilities, the hearing and regular meeting will be in a virtual, electronic format and not in a personal, public format, and public comment will not be taken in person. However, members of the public can monitor the hearing and meeting and provide public comment on the proposed sanitary sewer rate increase and on other agenda items through WebEx Events. Go to <https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting> to access the meeting. The public is also encouraged to submit written comment to jbenning@duluthmn.gov prior to the meeting. Please include "September 2021 DPUC Agenda" in the subject line, and include your name and address and the agenda item you are speaking to. The Commission's agenda can be found online at <https://duluthmn.gov/boards-commissions/duluth-public-utilities-commission/>. Please note that all public comment is considered Public Data.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SANITARY SEWER RATE PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

[DPUC057](#)

Gary Moline comment received 08182021

Attachments:

[Gary Moline email received 08182021](#)

[Gary Moline 19980511 Article XI. Stormwater Utility System](#)

[Gary Moline WaterFront Properties - Storm Billing Levels Comparison 12-15-20](#)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[DPUC058](#)

August 17, 2021 DPUC meeting minutes draft

Attachments:

[08172021 DPUC meeting minutes draft](#)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ERU calculation update

Sanitary sewer utility discussion

[DPUC059](#) Sanitary sewer rate increase worksheet

Attachments: [2021 Sanitary Rate Case 1 yr inc](#)

2022 utilities budget discussion

[DPUC060](#) Updated budget worksheets

Attachments: [2022-PUC Budget Presentation Final Rev1 \(03SEPT2021\)](#)

[DPUC062](#) 21PUC-005 - RESOLUTION APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING 2022 UTILITY BUDGET.

Attachments: [21PUC-005 approving 2022 budget](#)

NEW BUSINESS

[DPUC061](#) 21PUC-006 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CUSTOMER CHARGE AND USER CHARGES FOR THE CITY'S WASTEWATER FACILITIES EFFECTIVE WITH METER READINGS AFTER JANUARY 1, 2022; SUPERSEDING ALL PRIOR INCONSISTENT OR CONFLICTING RATES.

Attachments: [21PUC-006 sanitary sewer rate increase](#)

UPDATES FROM STAFF

COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

UPCOMING COUNCIL ACTIONS

PREVIEW OF UPCOMING BUSINESS

KNOWN ABSENCES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT