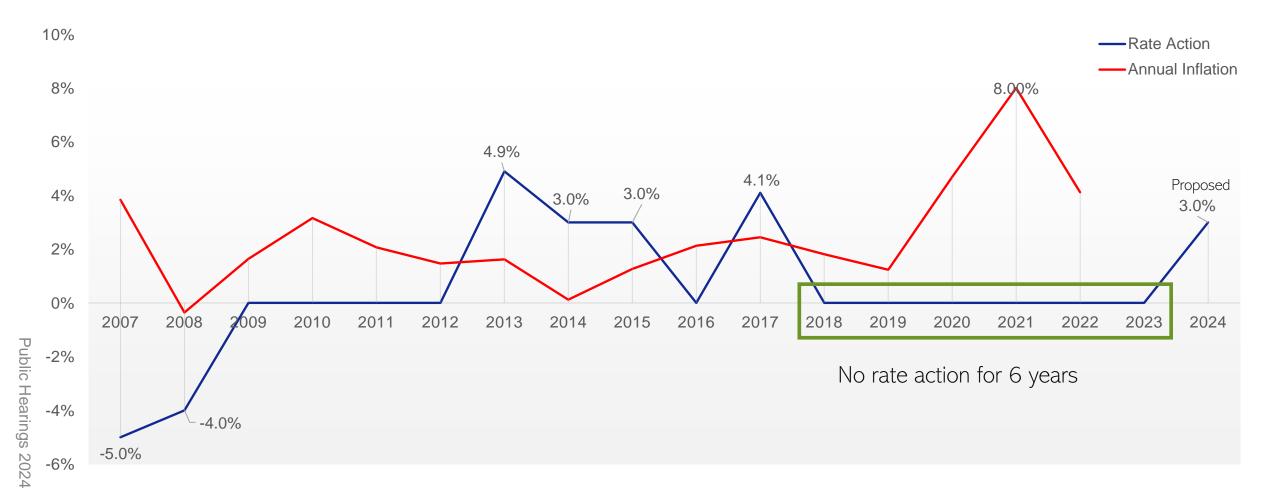


OVERVIEW

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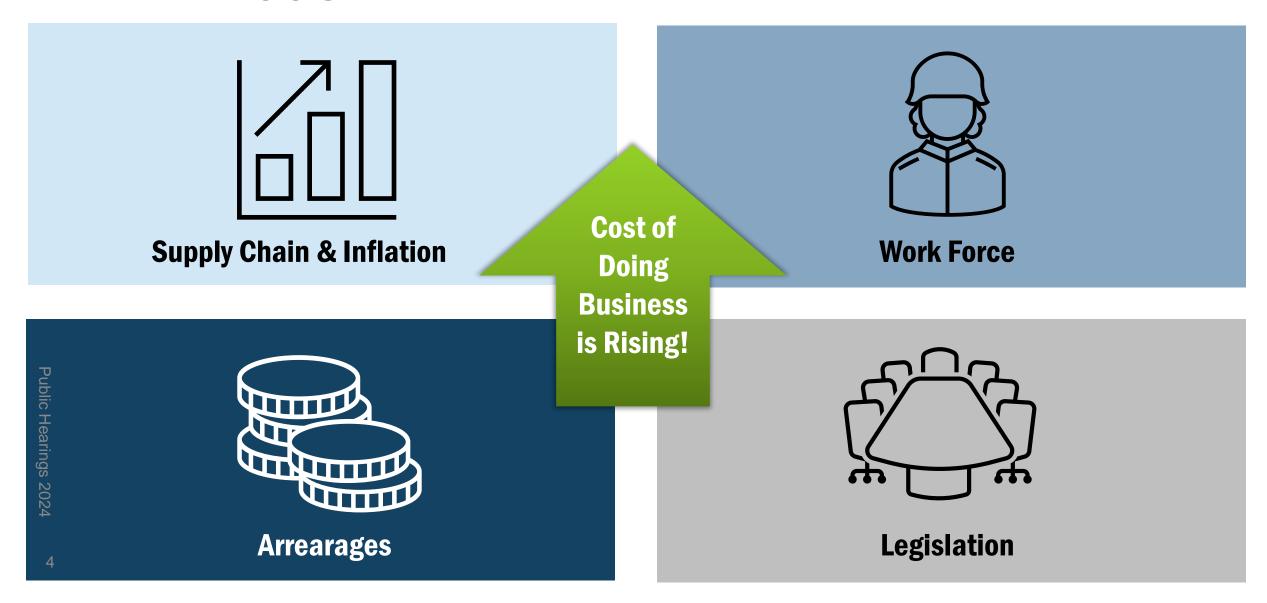
RATE ACTION TIMELINE

Last rate increase was in 2017



We are taking every measure to keep increases to a minimum without compromising reliability.

RATE PRESSURE



EXAMPLE OF RISING COSTS

In 2020, the unit cost of a residential (single phase pad mount) transformer was about \$1,400 with a delivery time of 12 weeks. These transformers can energize about 4 - 6 homes.

Below are purchases made showing the % price increase and lead times since 2020.









A commercial transformer has increased by nearly 100%.

ACHIEVING EFFICIENCIES

Public Hearings 2024

While we continue to serve a growing number of accounts, we are achieving efficiency and performing work with fewer employees.





UTILIZING ALL RESOURCES

Effectively reduced customer arrearages worked with City of Pasco and Franklin County.

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)

1,347 customers assisted

\$381,028 funding received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

1,539 customers assisted

\$500,000 funding received Utility Arrearage Grant Program (UAGP)

451 customers assisted

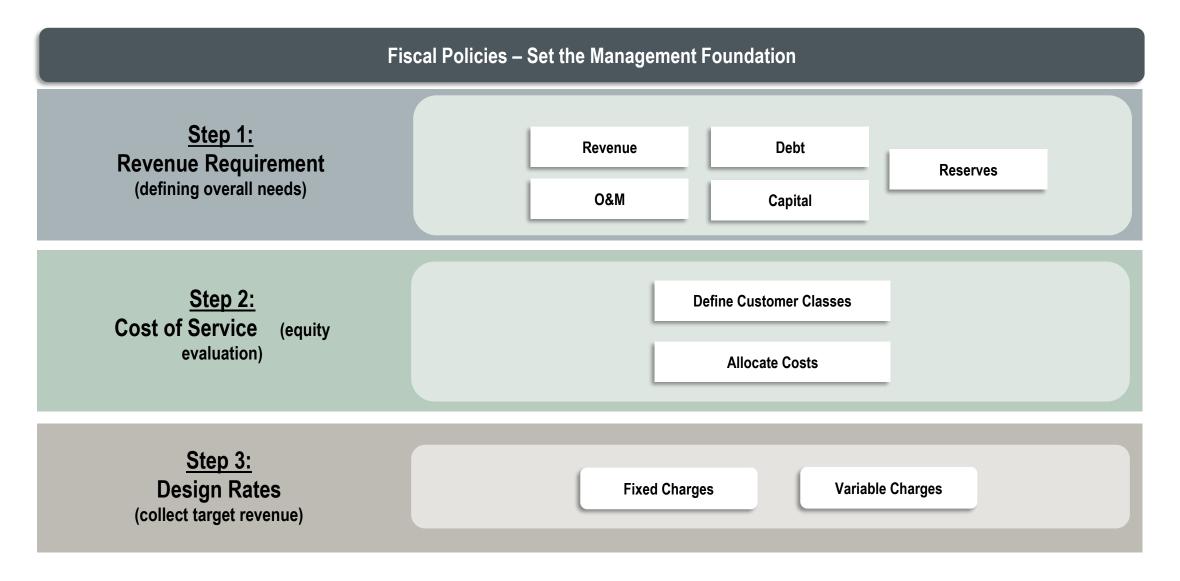
\$130,581 funding received

- Utilizing the automated meter infrastructure to continue to gain efficiencies and reduce costs where possible.
- Optimizing existing software systems to develop and enhance processes.
- "Go Paperless Campaign" resulted in 30% of customers going paperless reducing printing/mailing costs.
- Electric infrastructure evaluated to ensure all equipment/parts are being utilized to full potential. Refurbishing equipment when possible.
- Service contracts reduced, more being done in-house such as landscaping, building maintenance, and minor HVAC.

PROPOSED RATE CHANGES



OVERVIEW OF RATE SETTING PROCESS



RATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RAC)

- Formed in 1982.
- Includes customers from different rate classes.
- Currently 25 members.
- Meets at a minimum of two times a year.
- Evaluates the methods for establishing rates and rate design.
- Members emphasize <u>rate stability</u> for our customers manageable increases.
- Bring a recommendation on rates to the Board of Commissioners.

RAC RECOMMENDATION - PROPOSED RATE ACTION

- 3% overall increase to revenue captured in Energy and Demand Charges.
- Effective May 1, 2024.
- No change to System Charge.
- Average impact to a residential bill is about \$4.06 per month.

Based on Average Residential Bill of 1400 kwh used	Existing* (0.0673 kWh)	Proposed (0.0702 kWh)
System Charge (No change)	\$34.00	\$34.00
Energy Charge	\$94.22	\$98.28
Total	\$128.22	\$132.28
*Average Increase = \$4.06/month		

FUTURE RATE CHANGES

- Planned rate changes of 3% annually effective each May 1 of 2025 2027
 - Mitigate risk
 - Keep reserve levels stable, prevents higher increases in the future
 - Each year will be reviewed and evaluated, and the planned rate increase will **only be implemented if needed**

Staff is committed to working on keeping rates affordable for all customers.

SYSTEM CHARGE

Class		Existing		System Charge REMAINS THE SAME - \$/Month/Account							
Class				2024		2025		2026		2027	
Residential & Farm											
Single Phase	\$	34.00	\$	34.00	\$	34.00	\$	34.00	\$	34.00	
Three Phase		58.72		58.72		58.72		58.72		58.72	
Small General		39.56		39.56		39.56		39.56		39.56	
Medium General		51.88		51.88		51.88		51.88		51.88	
Large General		69.26		69.26		69.26		69.26		69.26	
Industrial		486.70		486.70		486.70		486.70		486.70	
Small Irrigation		-		-		-		-		-	
Large Irrigation		-		-		-		-		-	
Street Lighting		3.93		3.93		3.93		3.93		3.93	
Security Lighting		7.02		7.23		7.45		7.67		7.90	

No change to the System Charge is being proposed

ENERGY CHARGES

Class	Eviatina	Proposed Energy Charge - \$/kWh					
CidSS	Existing	2024	2025	2026	2027		
Residential & Farm	0.0673	0.0702	0.0732	0.0763	0.0795		
Small General	0.0744	0.0771	0.0799	0.0828	0.0857		
Medium General							
Summer	0.0364	0.0375	0.0387	0.0399	0.0411		
Winter	0.0461	0.0475	0.0490	0.0505	0.0520		
Large General							
Summer	0.0365	0.0376	0.0387	0.0399	0.0411		
Winter	0.0455	0.0469	0.0483	0.0497	0.0512		
Industrial							
Summer	0.0363	0.0374	0.0385	0.0397	0.0409		
Winter	0.0456	0.0470	0.0484	0.0498	0.0513		
Small Irrigation							
Summer	0.0321	0.0331	0.0341	0.0351	0.0361		
Winter	0.0526	0.0542	0.0558	0.0575	0.0592		
Large Irrigation							
Summer	0.0320	0.0330	0.0339	0.0350	0.0360		
Fall	0.0437	0.0450	0.0464	0.0478	0.0492		
Winter	0.0527	0.0543	0.0559	0.0576	0.0593		
Street Lighting	0.0850	0.0879	0.0909	0.0940	0.0971		
Security Lighting		-	-	-	-		

DEMAND CHARGES

Class	Eviating	Proposed Demand Charge - \$/kW					
Class	Existing	2024	2025	2026	2027		
Residential & Farm	\$ -	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	-		
Small General	-	-	-	-	-		
Medium General	8.26	8.51	8.78	9.05	9.32		
Large General	8.44	8.69	8.96	9.23	9.50		
Industrial	8.67	8.93	9.20	9.48	9.76		
Small Irrigation	7.81	8.04	8.29	8.53	8.79		
Large Irrigation	9.51	9.80	10.09	10.39	10.70		
Street Lighting	-	-	-	-	-		
Security Lighting	-	-	-	-	-		

SUMMARY

- Based on RAC recommendation the Commission is proposing 3% overall rate revenue increase effective May 1, 2024.
 - Planned rate changes of 3% annually effective each May 1 of 2025 2027
 - To be reviewed annually and only implemented if needed.
- System Charge remains the same for all rate classes.
- Commission to consider feedback from public hearings and take action at the April 23, 2024 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Franklin PUD has had a history of strong modest growth and we continue to keep rates as low as possible, working hard to achieve our goals which include power at cost, and adequate resources to serve our customers.

Thank you!

We welcome your feedback and comments.

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