

RESOLUTION 2025-14

TO SET A DATE OF MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, TRANSMISSION AND SALE OF NATURAL GAS WITHIN THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, IOWA; ASSESSMENT OF A ONE PERCENT FRANCHISE FEE AND ALLOWING FOR THE PETITION FOR AN ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of West Branch, Iowa is proposing to enter into a Franchise Agreement with Interstate Power and Light Company (“IPC”) for the provision of providing for the distribution, transmission and sale of natural gas within the City of West Branch, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 364.2 of the Code of Iowa, the City Council has elected to dispense with an election on said proposal to enter into a franchise agreement with IPC unless a valid petition is submitted to the City Clerk prior to the public hearing on March 3rd, 2025. If no petition is filed, the City Council intends to commence proceedings to enter into said franchise agreement; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of West Branch in the Council Chambers in the City Hall at 110 N. Poplar Street, at **7:00 o'clock P.M., on Monday, March 3rd, 2025**. Said Public Hearing will be on the proposal to enter into a franchise agreement with Interstate Power and Light Company (“IPC”) to allow IPC to distribute, transmit and sell natural gas within the City of West Branch, Iowa, and said franchise ordinance will assess a one percent (1%) franchise fee.

WHEREAS, all interested persons are invited to attend and be heard on the proposal to enter into said franchise agreement with IPC. A copy of the franchise agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

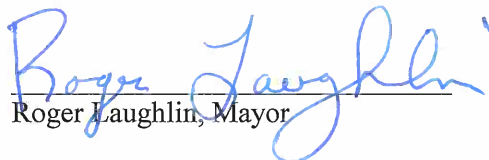
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of West Branch, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. Said Public Hearing will be on the proposal to enter into a franchise agreement with Interstate Power and Light Company (“IPC”) to allow IPC to distribute, transmit and sell natural gas within the City of West Branch, Iowa, and said franchise ordinance will assess a one percent (1%) franchise fee.

Section 2. This Council shall meet on the **3rd day of March, 2025**, at the City Council Chambers located at 110 N. Poplar Street, in the City, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time and place a public hearing will be held on the question of entering into a franchise agreement with Interstate Power and Light Company.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice of the proposed action for entering into a Franchise Agreement, the time when and place where the said meeting will be held, by publication at least once, and not less than 4 nor more than 20 days before the date of said meeting, in a legal newspaper published at least once weekly, and of general circulation in the City.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of February, 2025.


Roger Laughlin, Mayor

ATTEST:


Leslie Brick, City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO AMEND A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION, TRANSMISSION AND SALE OF NATURAL GAS WITHIN THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, IOWA; ASSESSMENT OF A ONE PERCENT FRANCHISE FEE AND ALLOWING FOR THE PETITION FOR AN ELECTION.

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BE FURTHER ADVISED that pursuant to Section 364.2 of the Code of Iowa, the City Council has elected to dispense with an election on said proposal to amend the franchise agreement with IPC unless a valid petition is submitted to the City Clerk prior to the public hearing on **March 3rd, 2025**. If no petition is filed, the City Council intends to commence proceedings to enter into said franchise agreement.

BE FURTHER ADVISED that all interested persons are invited to attend and be heard on the proposal to amend said franchise agreement with IPC. A copy of the amended franchise agreement is on file in the office of the City Clerk. Further information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the West Branch City Clerk.

/s/Leslie Brick, City Clerk,
by Direction of the City Council