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Water, Light, and Power Commission Position Description

The Water, Light, and Power Commission is a statutory municipal commission established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Sections 412.331 through 412.391. In summary, the sections resolve that the Commission shall have jurisdiction and control over the City-owned water, light, and power systems, commonly known in Delano as the Delano Municipal Utility (DMU). This includes the water, light, and power facilities, and all apparatus and materials used in operating said facilities. The Water, Light, and Power Commission shall further have the authority to maintain the water, light, and power system and set rates for usage of said utilities.

Commission Logistics

Membership. 5 Commissioners, appointed to rotating 3-year terms by the City Council
DMU staff, as assigned

Meetings. Monthly, third Monday of the month, 7:00pm, City Hall
Special meetings, as needed and determined by the Commission

Commissioner Profile

The City of Delano seeks interested persons from the Delano community to serve on this Commission. Appointed Commissioners are required to meet the following criteria:

1. Reside in Delano
2. Serve in accordance with the City's Code of Ethics and Values Statements (attached)

The City of Delano provides all applicants to the opportunity to present their skills, talents, and interest in serving for all vacant positions on this Commission. The City of Delano has an interest in providing a diverse membership on the Water, Light, and Power Commission. Commission members with the following skills and experiences are desirable.

- Background in engineering
- Accounting, finance, economics, and/or business management experience
- Experience with business ownership
- Interest in natural resource preservation
- Knowledge of real estate acquisition, development, and/or law
- Experience with alternative energy technologies, energy conservation
- Background in economic development

CODE OF ETHICS: BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND TASK FORCES

SECTION 204.01 Delano City Code

Open Meeting Law and Data Practices Act. All meetings and matter of any City board, commission, or task force shall be subject to the Minnesota Open Meeting Law and the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.

Conflict of Interest. No member of any City board, commission, or task force may vote on a matter in which the member has a direct or indirect financial interest or other substantial interest.

Vacancies and Removal of Members. Except as otherwise noted, a member's position shall become vacant upon the occurrence of any of the following:

1. The death of a member.
2. A determination by the Council that the member's physical or mental disability renders the member incapable of service.
3. The member's resignation in writing.
4. A member's absence from 3 consecutive meetings, unless excused by action of the Council.
5. Termination of a member's qualifications (residence/business ownership).

Removal from Office. A member may be removed (with the exception of the Delano Water, Light, and Power Commission):

1. Upon petition of a board, commission or task force. The board, commission, or task force by a three-fifths vote of its members, may petition to the Council to remove any member when it believes the best interests of the City would be served thereby. The removal of the member is not accomplished unless and until the Council passes a motion removing the member.
2. By the Council. The Council shall have the authority, in its discretion, to remove any member without a petition from the board, commission, or task force.

Term Limit. The term of a member's appointment to any City board, commission, or task force shall be three (3) years. A member's appointment to any City board, commission, or task force shall be limited to two (2) full consecutive terms. An existing member of a City board, commission, or task force whose term is set to expire must apply for re-appointment to his or her position and be considered with any applicants for the position. The term limit imposed by this Subdivision shall not apply if there are no eligible applicants to fill a member's position that is set to expire or if the Council, upon a majority vote, re-appoints the member whose position is set to expire for one (1) additional term.