



ECONOMIC STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE BYLAW REPORT

Title Bylaw 6410 – Amending Bylaw 6233 - Regulated Rate Option Bylaw (RRO)

Meeting Date September 13, 2023

Submitted By Acting Mayor Parker, Chair – Economic Standing Policy Committee

URGENT BUSINESS

Recommendation from Economic Standing Policy Committee:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council:

1. City Council provide First reading to Bylaw 6410 - Amendment to Bylaw 6233 - Regulated Rate Option Bylaw (RRO) at the September 19, 2023 meeting of City Council

Vote:

In Favour: 5-0

Public Speakers at the Meeting: None

Public Submissions: None

Submitted By Jason Drenth, General Manager - Electric Utility

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Summary

The Regulated Rate Option Tariff sets the monthly pricing among the rate classes to be collected for the use of energy within the Wire Service Providers (WSP) boundaries. The City of Lethbridge Electric Utility (LEU) is the WSP for all customers within the corporate boundaries of Lethbridge. Customers who have chosen not to have a retailer provide energy for their consumption, default to the WSP and thus the WSP must purchase energy on behalf of the customers. The customers that fall under the Regulated Rate Option Tariff must consume less than 250,000 kWh in a year. The purchase of energy and operating costs are covered through the monthly rates as laid out in the Regulated Rate Option Rate Schedule.

This amending bylaw updates the contact information to reflect the 311 process and removes the requirement to post the RRO rate at least 5 days prior to the new energy price coming into effect to align with the regulatory requirement to post rates one day prior.

Recommendation(s)

That the Economic Standing Policy Committee recommends that Council provide first reading of Bylaw 6410 – Regulated Rate Option Bylaw (RRO)

Financial

None.

Background and Prior Decisions

The Regulated Rate Option Bylaw is approved when rates or regulations change by City Council to provide energy to customers who have not selected a retailer. These changes will be effective January 1st, 2024.

Engagement

None, the RRO function is set as a requirement by the AUC (Alberta Utilities Commission).

Recommendation and Option(s) Analysis

- Economic SPC recommends to council to provide first reading of Bylaw 6410.

Attachment(s)

1. Bylaw 6410 RRO Final
2. 2024 Electric Utility Distribution Tarrif & RRO Bylaw - Presentation

Link(s)

Reviewed: City Clerk City Solicitor City Treasurer

Approvals

Department Director: Joel Sanchez

City Manager: Lloyd Brierley

BYLAW 6410

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF LETHBRIDGE TO AMEND
BYLAW 6233 – THE CITY OF LETHBRIDGE
ELECTRIC REGULATED RATE OPTION BYLAW

WHEREAS the City of Lethbridge owns and operates a municipal electric distribution utility that is designated as a wire service provider pursuant to the *Electric Utilities Act*, S.A. 2003, c. E-5.1;

AND WHEREAS wire service providers are regulated by the Alberta Utilities Commission, and due to a change in their practice, a change is required to the City's bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LETHBRIDGE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bylaw 6233 – The City of Lethbridge Electric Regulated Rate Option Bylaw is amended as follows:
 - (a) on page 2 of Appendix 1, by deleting "403.329.7381" and replacing with "403.320.3111"; and,
 - (b) in Schedule "A", under the table in Section A2. Regulated Rate Option Energy Price", by deleting the following text:

"The City of Lethbridge RRO Energy Price will be posted on the City of Lethbridge website (<https://www.lethbridge.ca/living-here/electric>) no later than 5 business days prior to the beginning of the period to which the energy price applies."

2. This Bylaw comes into force and effect on the 1st day of January, 2024.

READ A FIRST TIME this 19 day of September A.D. 2023

[Signature]
MAYOR

[Signature]
CITY CLERK

READ A SECOND TIME this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2023

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

READ A THIRD TIME this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2023

MAYOR

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