

RESOLUTION NO. 6, 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PARK HILLS, KENTUCKY, OBJECTING TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION APPROVAL OF ELECTRIC UTILITY RATE INCREASES GRANTED TO DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC.

WHEREAS, in Case No. 2019-00271, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. ("Duke Energy") made application to the Commonwealth of Kentucky Public Service Commission ("PSC") requesting various changes and modifications regarding its provision of utility services in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, including among things, a proposed electric utility rate increase to its residential customers; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, the PSC entered an order in Case No. 2019-00271 ("PSC Order") in which the PSC granted certain requests of Duke, denied other requests, and made modifications to certain requests, which among things, authorized Duke to increase its rate of electric utility services to residential customers by approximately 9.8% effective on May 1, 2020 ("Rate Increase"); and

WHEREAS, in March of 2020, the Commonwealth of Kentucky through its health agencies and executive officials, issued certain public health emergency orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak ("Health Orders"), which Health Orders resulted in widespread closures of businesses and schools, employee furloughs and layoffs, unprecedented levels of unemployment and requests for unemployment assistance, and other significant and long-term harmful economic impacts on the citizens of this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of entry of the PSC Order, the Health Orders are still in effect and will be so into the foreseeable future, and that the harmful economic impacts of such Health Orders are likely to remain in effect for a significant amount of time after such Health Orders are relaxed and rescinded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Park Hills hereby officially objects to the entry of the PSC Order on behalf of Duke Energy, and further requests that the PSC Order be reconsidered and that the Rate Increase be repealed.

Adopted this 8th day of June, 2020.

Certified by: _____
Kathy Zembrodt, Mayor

Attested by: _____
Julie Alig, City Clerk