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RE: PETITION FOR RATE INCREASE BY FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY
Docket No. 070304-EI

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Fernandina Beach City Commission at its regular meeting on January 8, 2008, approved the attached Resolution #2008-02 opposing the petition on a permanent rate increase, Docket No. 070304-EI, proposed by Florida Public Utilities Company.

We are requesting that the Office of Public Counsel of the Florida Public Service Commission represent the City of Fernandina Beach in opposing this permanent rate relief.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Sincerely,

CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH

Bill Leeper
Mayor

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 2008-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, OPPOSING THE PETITION ON A PERMANENT RATE INCREASE, DOCKET NO. 070304-EI, PROPOSED BY FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY; REQUESTING THAT THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL OF THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION REPRESENT THE CITY IN OPPOSING THIS PERMANENT RATE RELIEF; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Fernandina Beach is provided electrical power by the Florida Public Utilities Company; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Public Utilities Company has filed a Petition for permanent rate relief with the Florida Public Service Commission to increase the customer charges for residential by 40% and commercial by 50%; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Public Utilities Company proposes to increase its annual gross revenues in the amount of \$5,249,895 on a permanent basis if this petition is approved; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission believes that this petition, as presented by Florida Public Utilities Company, lacks definitive merit considering the requested amount and the benefits that will result to the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has not been presented any plans in which Florida Public Utilities Company will attempt to lower their operating expenses, increase their efficiencies to help themselves, or list the benefits that our citizens and business community will receive; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission requests that the Office of Public Counsel of the Florida Public Service Commission represent the City in opposing the Petition for Permanent Rate Relief filed by Florida Public Utilities Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Commission hereby opposes the Petition for Permanent Rate Relief filed by Florida Public Utilities with the Florida Public Service Commission.

SECTION 2. The City Commission hereby requests that the Office of Public Counsel of the Florida Public Service Commission represent the City of Fernandina Beach in opposing the Petition for approval of a permanent rate increase as filed by Florida Public Utilities Company under docket no 070304-EI with the Public Service Commission.

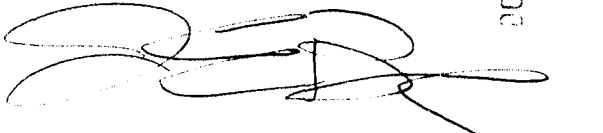
SECTION 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED this 8th day of January, 2008 with a quorum present and voting.

CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH

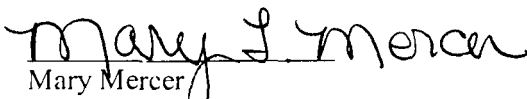

Bill Leeper
Mayor - Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Tammi E. Bach
City Attorney

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ATTEST:


Mary Mercer
City Clerk