

City of Rochester



WHEREAS, we, the citizens of Rochester Minnesota, place a high value on local choice for community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community-owned, not-for-profit electric utility and, as customers and owners of our electric utility, have a direct say in utility operations and policies; and

WHEREAS, Rochester Public Utilities provides our homes, businesses, schools, social service and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and safe electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at not-for-profit rates; and

WHEREAS, Rochester Public Utilities is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness; and

WHEREAS, Rochester Public Utilities has also taken on additional stewardship efforts for our community's greenhouse gas reduction goals in planning for 100% net renewable energy by 2030; and

WHEREAS, Rochester Public Utilities is a trusted partner whose local operation provides many consumer protections, continues to make our community a better place to live and work, and contributes to protecting the global environment; and

WHEREAS, Rochester Public Utilities will continue to work to bring affordable, safe, reliable, and sustainable electricity to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1894, the year when the utility was created to serve all the citizens of Rochester.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Kim Norton, Mayor of the City of Rochester, do hereby declare October 2-8, 2022 as

National Public Power Week

and we recognize the people behind public power at Rochester Public Utilities for their contributions to the community and to educating customer-owners, policymakers, and employees on the benefits of public power.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our community join hands with more than 2,000 other public power systems in the United States in this celebration of public power, which puts our residents, businesses, and the community before profits.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the corporate seal of the City of Rochester to be affixed this 3rd day of October, 2022.

Kim Norton, Mayor
City of Rochester, Minnesota