

ORDINANCE NO. 31

CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY ELECTRIC FRANCHISE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE, granting to CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the right, power and authority to construct, maintain and commercially use electric lines consisting of towers, masts, poles, crossarms, guys, braces, feeders, transmission and distribution wires, transformers and other electrical appliances on, under, along and across the highways, streets, alleys, bridges and other public places, and to do a local electric business in the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY MICHIGAN, for a period of thirty years.

THE CITY OF AU GRES ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. GRANT, TERM. The City of Au Gres, Arenac County, Michigan, hereby grants the right, power and authority to the Consumers Power Company, a Michigan corporation, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the "Grantee," to construct, maintain and commercially use electric lines consisting of towers, masts, poles, crossarms, guys, braces, feeders, transmission and distribution wires, transformers and other electrical appliances, for the purpose of transmitting, transforming and distributing electricity on, under, along and across the highways, streets, alleys, bridges and other public places, and to do a local electric business in the City of Au Gres, Arenac County, Michigan, for a period of thirty years.

SECTION 2. CONSIDERATION. In consideration of the rights, power and authority hereby granted, said Grantee shall faithfully perform all things required by the terms hereof.

SECTION 3. <u>CONDITIONS</u>. No highway, street, alley, bridge or other public place used by said Grantee shall be obstructed longer than necessary during the work of construction or repair and shall be restored to the same good order and condition as when such work was commenced. All towers, masts, poles and other supports shall be set and all wires shall be suspended or buried in a careful and proper manner so as not to injure persons or property. The Grantee shall have the right to trim trees if necessary in the conducting of such business, subject, however, to the supervision of the highway authorities of the City.

SECTION 4. HOLD HARMLESS. The Grantee shall at all times keep and save the City free and harmless from all loss, costs and expense to which it may be subject by reason of the negligent construction and maintenance of the structures hereby authorized. In case any action is commenced against the City on account of the permission herein granted, said Grantee shall, upon notice, defend the City and save it free and harmless from all loss, cost and damage arising out of such negligent construction and maintenance.

SECTION 5. RATES. Said Grantee shall be entitled to charge the inhabitants of said City for electric energy furnished therein, the rates as approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission, to which Commission or its successors authority and jurisdiction to fix and regulate electric rates and rules regulating such service in said City, are hereby granted for the term of this franchise. Such rates and rules shall be subject to review and change at any time upon petition therefor being made by either said City, acting by its City Council, or by said Grantee.

All bills for electric energy shall be payable monthly. The Grantee may collect the minimum charge as specified in said schedule. It shall also furnish and maintain commercially accurate meters to measure the energy furnished. Said Grantee shall at all reasonable times have access to the premises of its customers, for the purpose of reading, inspecting, removing and replacing such meters.

SECTION 6. REVOCATION. The franchise granted by this ordinance is subject to revocation upon sixty (60) days written notice by the party desiring such revocation.

SECTION 7. FRANCHISE NOT EXCLUSIVE. The rights, power, and authority herein granted are not exclusive.

SECTION 8. MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, JURISDICTION. Said Grantee shall, as to all other conditions and elements of service not herein fixed, be and remain subject to the reasonable rules and regulations of the Michigan Public Service Commission or its successors, applicable to electric service in said City.

MV June 20,1990. SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall cake effect after June 7, 1990, provided however, it shall cease and be of no effect after thirty days from its adoption unless within said period the Grantee shall accept the same in writing filed with the City Clerk. Upon acceptance and publication hereof, this ordinance shall constitute a contract between said City and said Grantee.

We hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly enacted by the City Council of the City of AuGres, Michigan, on the ______ 7th ___ day of ______. 1990.

Lavern Dittenber, Mayor

Attest:

Note: Corrected Publication date Section 9. Arenac Independent August 15, 1990. Affavidit attached.

Mary Fresorger, City Clerk

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CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY ELECTRIC FRANCHISE ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE, granting to CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the right and authority to construct, maintain and commercially use electric lines and related facilities including but not limited to towers, masts, poles, crossarms, guys, wires and transformers on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local electric business in the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, for a period of thirty years.

THE CITY OF AU GRES ORDAINS:

- SECTION 1. GRANT and TERM. The CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, hereby grants to Consumers Energy Company, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called "Consumers" the right and authority to towers, masts, poles, crossarms, guys, wires and transformers on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local electric business in the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, for a period of thirty years.
- SECTION 2. <u>CONDITIONS</u>. No public place used by Consumers shall be obstructed longer than necessary during construction or repair, and shall be restored to the same order and condition as when work was commenced. All of Consumers' electric lines and related facilities shall be placed as not to unnecessarily interfere with the public's use of public places. Consumers shall have the right to trim or remove trees if necessary in the conducting of such business.
- SECTION 3. <u>HOLD HARMLESS</u>. Consumers shall save the City free and harmless from all loss, costs and expense to which it may be subject by reason of the negligent construction and maintenance of the lines and related facilities hereby authorized. In case any action is commenced against the City on account of the permission herein given, Consumers shall, upon notice, defend the City and its representatives and hold them harmless from all loss, costs and damage arising out of such negligent construction and maintenance.
- SECTION 4. <u>EXTENSIONS</u>. Consumers shall construct and extend its electric distribution system within said City, and shall furnish electric service to applicants residing therein in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- SECTION 5. FRANCHISE NOT EXCLUSIVE. The rights, power and authority herein granted, are not exclusive.
- SECTION 6. RATES and CONDITIONS. Consumers shall be entitled to provide electric service to the inhabitants of the City at the rates and pursuant to the conditions as approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission. Such rates and conditions shall be subject to review and change upon petition to the Michigan Public Service Commission.
- SECTION 7. REVOCATION. The franchise granted by this ordinance is subject to revocation upon sixty (60) days written notice by either party. Upon revocation this ordinance shall be considered repealed and of no effect past, present or future.

SECTION 8. MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JURISDICTION. Consumers remains subject to the reasonable rules and regulations of the Michigan Public Service Commission applicable to electric service in the City and those rules and regulations preempt any term of any ordinance of the City to the contrary.

SECTION 9. <u>REPEALER</u>. This ordinance, when enacted, shall repeal and supersede the provisions of any previous Consumers' electric franchise ordinance adopted by the City including any amendments.

SECTION 10. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. This ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

We certify that the foregoing Franchise Ordinance was duly enacted by the City Council of the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, on the 4th day of February, 2020.

Keith Edmonds, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:

I, LaVonne Pritchard, City Clerk of the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the ordinance granting Consumers Energy Company, an electric franchise, was properly adopted by the City Council of the CITY OF AU GRES, ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN, and that all proceedings were regular and in accordance with all legal requirements.

LaVonne Pritchard, City Clerk

Dated: February 4, 2020