

RESOLUTION NO: 2023-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OSCEOLA WATER WORKS IN THE CITY OF OSCEOLA, IOWA, OPPOSING 2023 PUBLIC MEASURE.

WHEREAS, a City election will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of November, 2023, at which the following question will be submitted to the registered voters of the City of Osceola:

SHALL THE CURRENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF OSCEOLA, IN THE COUNTY OF CLARKE, STATE OF IOWA, AS ESTABLISHED BY ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 13, 1935, BE DISCONTINUED, WITH THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE WATERWORKS RETURNING TO THE OSCEOLA CITY COUNCIL?

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Osceola Water Works was established by popular vote of the people on November 13, 1935; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees met in organizational session on September 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, if the board were to be dissolved, decisions on customer's drinking water would be made by the Osceola City Council; and

WHEREAS, board governance provides greater specialized expertise on the part of those charged with the administration of the utility; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of operational authority from the Board of Trustees to the Osceola City Council could be a potential harm to the citizens due to the burden of time, cost, and effort on the part of the city council to properly administer the utility; and

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Osceola Water Works:

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OSCEOLA WATER WORKS OPPOSES THE BALLOT PUBLIC MEASURE EK

Approved and passed this 27th day of September, 2023.



Alisha Kale, Chairman

ATTEST:


Patti Snyder, Utility Business Director