

RESOLUTION 18-12

RESOLUTION REGARDING SUPPORT OF
AMENDMENT TO GEORGIA REVENUE BOND LAW

WHEREAS, the Board of Water, Light and Sinking Fund Commissioners of the City of Dalton, doing business as Dalton Utilities (“Dalton Utilities”), from time to time wishes to fund capital improvements and infrastructure support for its operations through the issuance of general revenue bonds by and through the City of Dalton, and;

WHEREAS, Dalton Utilities by and through the City of Dalton pursuant to Georgia statute and after the required legal approval process may issue general revenue bonds without a voter referendum to fund capital improvements and infrastructure support for Dalton Utilities’ water, wastewater and natural gas infrastructure, and;

WHEREAS, the current Georgia Revenue Bond Law requires a voter referendum for the issuance of general revenue bonds to fund capital improvements and support for the infrastructure of Dalton Utilities used for the generation and transmission of electricity, and;

WHEREAS, in order to remain competitive and continue to make capital improvements and support the infrastructure used by Dalton Utilities for the generation and transmission of electricity (including the City of Dalton’s ownership interests in various power plants and transmission assets), Dalton Utilities, by and through the City of Dalton desires to issue general revenue bonds without a voter referendum in order to efficiently and effectively improve and support its infrastructure used for the generation and transmission of electricity, and;

WHEREAS, the issuance of general revenue bonds for the improvement and support of the infrastructure used for the generation and transmission of electricity by Dalton Utilities would not amount to a tax pledge by the City of Dalton and would be repaid only from the revenues of Dalton Utilities, and;

WHEREAS, the ongoing improvement and support of the infrastructure used by Dalton Utilities for the generation and transmission of electricity is important to the citizens and businesses located within the City of Dalton, and;

WHEREAS, the ongoing improvement and support of the infrastructure used by Dalton Utilities for the generation and transmission of electricity is important to the future economic development needs and growth of the City of Dalton, and;

WHEREAS, the current Georgia Revenue Bond Law requiring a voter referendum for the issuance of general revenue bonds for the improvement and support of infrastructure used for the generation and transmission of electricity is an impediment to Dalton Utilities’ desire to effectively, efficiently and competitively improve and support its infrastructure used for the generation and transmission of electricity;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Dalton supports a change of the Georgia Revenue Bond Law to remove the requirement that a voter

referendum must be held in order for Dalton Utilities, through the Board of Water, Light and Sinking Fund Commissioners by and through the City of Dalton to issue general revenue bonds for the purpose of improving and supporting the infrastructure used by Dalton Utilities for the generation and transmission of electricity.

IT IS SO RESOLVED, this ____ day of _____, 2018.

CITY OF DALTON

Dennis Mock, Mayor

Attest: _____
Bernadette Chattam, City Clerk

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