



## Legislation Text

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Resolution Approving a Utility Easement to Virginia Electric and Power Company, Doing Business as Dominion Energy Virginia ("Dominion"), for a 15' x 196' Easement (Totaling 2,940 Square Feet), More or Less, on City Property Located at 45 Ambrose Lane (LRSN 12006002) for the Transmission and Distribution of Electrical Power as a Part of Dominion's Strategic Underground Program

### **PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

Effective July 1, 2014, Dominion may recover costs associated with replacing overhead distribution lines with underground lines under its multi-year Strategic Underground Program (the "Program"), which will be funded by a special rate adjustment (or rider) approved by the State Corporation Commission. In the Virginia service area, Dominion intends to replace approximately 4,000 miles of the most outage-prone overhead lines at an estimated cost of \$2 billion, which amounts to replacing approximately 350 miles of distribution power lines per year for approximately \$175 million. The area surrounding Ambrose Lane has been identified as a neighborhood to be serviced under the Program.

The City owns the property located at 45 Ambrose Lane (LRSN 12006002), which houses Pump Station 11 (the "Property"). Dominion is installing an electrical transformer and cables through the Property and requests a 15' x 196' easement (totaling 2,940 square feet), more or less, to replace overhead distribution lines with underground equipment for the transmission and distribution of electric power on the Properties. Staff recommends approval of the easement under the terms of the attached Right of Way Agreement.

This item is exempt from the public hearing requirement under § 15.2-1800(B)(ii).

### **Discussion:**

N/A

### **Impact:**

N/A

### **Recommendation:**

Approve Resolution

**WHEREAS**, effective July 1, 2014, Dominion may recover costs associated with replacing overhead distribution lines with underground lines under its multi-year Strategic Underground Program (the "Program"), which will be funded by a special rate adjustment (or rider) approved by the State Corporation Commission;

**WHEREAS**, in the Virginia service area, Dominion intends to replace approximately 4,000 miles of the most outage-prone overhead lines at an estimated cost of \$2 billion, which amounts to replacing approximately 350 miles of distribution power lines per year for approximately \$175 million;

**WHEREAS**, the area surrounding Ambrose Lane has been identified as a neighborhood to be serviced under the Program;

**WHEREAS**, the City owns the property located at 45 Ambrose Lane (LRSN 12006002), which houses Pump Station 11 (the "Property");

**WHEREAS**, Dominion is installing an electrical transformer and cables through the Property and requests a 15' x 196' easement (totaling 2,940 square feet), more or less, to replace overhead distribution lines with underground equipment for the transmission and distribution of electric power on the Properties;

**WHEREAS**, this item is exempt from the public hearing requirement under Va. Code § 15.2-1800(B) (ii); and

**WHEREAS**, the grant of the utility easement to Virginia Electric and Power Company, doing business as Dominion Energy Virginia, is deemed fair and reasonable; and the terms of the Right of Way Agreement, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution, are reasonable and acceptable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, VIRGINIA:**

1. That the utility easement totaling 2,940 square feet, more or less, on City property located at 45 Ambrose Lane (LRSN 12006002) to Virginia Electric and Power Company, doing business as Dominion Energy Virginia, is approved; and
2. That the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to execute the Right of Way Agreement between the City of Hampton and Dominion Energy Virginia as set forth in this Resolution.