

CITY ORDINANCE NO. CO-117-2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE LAFAYETTE MAYOR-PRESIDENT AND/OR THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ACCEPT THE SUB-AWARD OF A GRANT UNDER THE SECTION 40101(D) GRID RESILIENCE FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING A COST MATCH FOR SAID GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,982,500, AND AMENDING THE FY 24/25 CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT BY TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$2,057,500 FROM RETAINED EARNINGS RESERVE TO THE COPPER OVERHEAD LINE REHABILITATION, WOOD POLE IMPROVEMENTS, AND DISTRIBUTION AUTOMATION/FEEDER RESTORATION PROJECTS WITHIN THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Lafayette City Council, that:

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government (“LCG”), through its Utilities Department, was pre-selected for a sub-award under the Section 40101(d) Grid Resilience Formula Grant Program, round 2 through the Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources (the “Grant”); and

WHEREAS, final award of the Grant requires a cost match from LCG in the amount of \$3,982,500, along with additional submittals, including the Cost Match Commitment Letter attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Lafayette City Council, that:

SECTION 1: All of the aforescribed “Whereas” clauses are adopted as part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2: The Lafayette Mayor-President and the Director of the Utilities Department, or either of them, or their respective designees, are hereby authorized to execute the attached Cost Match Commitment Letter, accept the Grant, and, contingent upon award of the Grant, to fulfill the corresponding cost match obligations as outlined therein.

SECTION 3: The FY 24/25 capital budget of the Utilities Department of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government is hereby amended by adjusting the appropriations of the Utilities Department. The sum of \$2,057,500 is hereby transferred from the Retained Earnings Reserve and allocated to the Copper Overhead Line Rehabilitation, Wood Pole Improvements, and Distribution Automation/Feeder Restoration projects.

SECTION 4: This transfer of funds shall be reflected in any pertinent documents which are attached hereto and made a part hereof and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Council.

SECTION 5: All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6: This ordinance shall become effective upon signature of the Lafayette Mayor-President, the elapse of ten (10) days after receipt by the Lafayette Mayor-President without signature or veto, or upon an override of a veto, whichever occurs first.

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Cost Match Commitment Letter

ALRD-0002736 - IJA Section 40101(d) –
Grid Resilience Formula Grants to States and Indian Tribes

1. **Subawardee:** City of Lafayette dba Lafayette Utilities System
Hereby certifies our commitment to meet the Project cost match obligations as required under Section 40101(h) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), as follows:
2. **Subaward Project Title:** LUS’s System Hardening and Resiliency Project
3. **Cost Match Requirement (100% or 1/3):** 100%
4. **Number of customers (i.e. meters) served:** 72,000
5. **Number of megawatt hours of electricity sold annually:** 2,000,000 MWh annually
6. **Subaward Total Federal Funding Amount:** \$3,982,500
7. **Subaward Total Cost Match:** \$3,982,500 **% of Federal:** 50%
8. **Cost Match Sources** (indicate in the table below for each source and type):

Cost Match Source (Entity/Person Name)	Cost Match Type (Cash or In Kind)	Cost Match Item	FY1	FY2
Lafayette Utilities System	Cash	Copper overhead line rehabilitation	\$1,263,730	\$
Lafayette Utilities System	Cash	Wood pole improvements	\$1,395,760	\$
Lafayette Utilities System	Cash	Distribution automation/feeder restoration	\$1,323,010	\$
Cost Match Total			\$3,982,500	\$

9. **Subaward Project Manager:** Karen Hoyt
Job Title: Engineering & Power Supply Manager
Address: 1314 Walker Road, Lafayette, LA 70506
Phone: 337-291-5838

Email: khoyt@lus.org

(signature)

Date:



Internal Memorandum

Utilities Department
Support Services Division (7001)

TO: Rachel Godeaux DATE: September 12, 2025

THRU: Karen Fontenot *KB* Spencer Lormand Denise Deville Jeffrey B. Stewart

FROM: Alison Alleman

JBS
09/15/2025

SUBJECT: 10/07/25 City Council Agenda Item – Authorization for Cost Match and Amended LUS FY 2024-2025 Budget (Capital)

Attached is an ordinance and supporting documents approved by Legal authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President and/or the Director of Utilities to accept the sub-award of a grant under the Section 40101(d) Grid Resilience Formula Grant Program, authorizing a cost match for said grant in the amount of \$3,982,500 and amending the FY 2024-2025 budget of the Utilities Department, Lafayette Utilities System (LUS). The amendment is an adjustment of Capital appropriations to reflect a new projection of expenditures through the remainder of the fiscal year. A highlight of the amendment is as follows:

- Capital Improvement Projects
 - Additional funding for Copper Overhead Line Rehabilitation, Wood Pole Improvements, and Distribution Automation/Feeder Restoration.

This funding will support eligible project activities and enable either the Lafayette Mayor-President or the Director of the Utilities Department or their respective designees to sign the attached Cost Match Commitment Letter. This will allow LUS to move forward with seeking pre-approval through the Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources (LDENR) and subsequent approval through the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

This appropriation increase is funded through the use of retained earnings, which will be decreased by approximately \$2,057,500 as a result of this amendment.

The Utilities Department is governed by the City; therefore, please place this on the agenda for the Lafayette City Council for introduction on October 7, 2025 with final adoption on October 21, 2025.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

D. Alleman

Alison Alleman
Customer and Support Services Manager

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Attachments

c: LUS Managers
Gwen Burleigh
Emily Quebedeaux



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Finance & Management/CFO

LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL FORM

1) **JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:** An ordinance of the Lafayette City Council authorizing the Lafayette Mayor-President and/or the Director of Utilities to accept the sub-award of a grant under the Section 40101(d) Grid Resilience Formula Grant Program, authorizing a cost match for said grant in the amount of \$3,982,500, and amending the FY 24/25 Capital Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by transferring the sum of \$2,057,500 from retained earnings reserve to the Copper Overhead Line Rehabilitation, Wood Pole Improvements, and Distribution Automation/Feeder Restoration Projects within the Utilities Department.

2) **ACTION REQUESTED:** Approval of Ordinance

3) **COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) (CIP PROGRAM/PROJECTS ONLY):** Districts 1-5

4) **REQUESTED ACTION OF COUNCIL:**

A) **INTRODUCTION:** October 7, 2025

B) **FINAL ADOPTION:** October 21, 2025

5) **DOCUMENTATION INCLUDED WITH THIS REQUEST:**

A) Internal Memorandum (1 page)

B) Ordinance (2 pages)

C) Budget Revision (1 page)

D) Cost Match Commitment Letter (1 page)

6) **FISCAL IMPACT:**

 x Fiscal Impact (\$2,057,500 reduction in retained earnings reserve)

 No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDED BY:

 09/15/2025
JEFFREY B. STEWART
UTILITIES DIRECTOR

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:


RACHEL GODEAUX
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER