

Effective Date: August 11, 2012

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**AN ORDINANCE**

**Amending Portions of Title 2, Chapter 14 of the City Code  
Relating to the Powers and Duties of the Utilities Commission**

**NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1:** Section 2-14-1 of the Evanston City Code of 1979, as amended ("City Code"), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**2-14-1: RATIONALE:**

It is hereby found and declared by the City Council that in order to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens, businesses and institutions of Evanston, it is necessary to participate in the regulation, planning and improvement of electrical, natural gas, telephone, water and sewer services in Evanston to ensure reliable and competitive service. It is further found that to achieve these goals, there should be an advisory Commission so that citizens, businesses and institutions can bring utility-related concerns before a single group knowledgeable about the utility issues affecting Evanston.

**SECTION 2:** Section 2-14-5 of the City Code, "Powers and Duties" of the Utilities Commission, is hereby further amended by the enactment of a new Subsection (H) thereof, to read as follows:

- (H) Assist the City's Office of Sustainability to increase energy efficiency of City facilities and to develop guidelines for water conservation and the energy-efficient operation of buildings.

**SECTION 3:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

**SECTION 5:** If any provision of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid application of this ordinance is severable.

**SECTION 6:** The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

Introduced: June 25, 2012

Approved:

Adopted: July 9, 2012

July 11, 2012

Elizabeth B. Tisdahl  
Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Rodney Greene  
Rodney Greene, City Clerk

W. Grant Farrar  
W. Grant Farrar, Corporation Counsel