

SCL Review Panel Rate Design Update Proposed Work Plan

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The table below shows how the City Light Review Panel proposes to accomplish the Rate Design Update Work Plan established by Council Resolution 31819. The Panel normally meets 1 time per month, but will need to meet more frequently in order to accomplish the work plan outlined by Council.

Blue text notes major deliverables. *Italicized text* highlights stakeholder outreach/engagement work.

<p>July 2018 <i>(completed)</i> <i>1 meeting</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Council resolution on strategic plan, rate design update work plan • Discuss scope and focus of effort • Review draft outline of work plan and offer suggestions • Review 2017 letter from stakeholders • <u>Briefing</u>: Rate Design 101
<p>August <i>1 meeting</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review schedule and work plan of Utility Discount Program (UDP) interdepartmental team and discuss with them how Panel can best engage • Approve proposed rate design update work plan and transmittal letter to Council, Mayor • Review and discuss current SCL conditions to develop draft problem statement for rate design update work plan • Review and discuss range of goals and objectives related to rate design. • <i>Initial stakeholder outreach conducted by SCL staff on behalf of Panel—informing them of project, goals, timing for input, and seeking feedback</i> • <u>Briefing</u>: Rate Design 201
<p>September <i>2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brainstorming draft goals and objectives related to rate design • Continued discussion, action: adopt draft problem statement • <u>Briefing</u>: Review of major components of rate design alternatives—what are the tools, how they are used, what impacts do these tools have, what are the trade-offs. • Identify list of key questions on which to seek stakeholder input, further information • Confirm scope for SCL’s research on comparable utilities requested by Council as part of the rate design update project • <i>Confirm next steps in stakeholder outreach (who contacted, process for engagement with Panel)</i>
<p>October <i>2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Two 3-hour sessions where Panel hears from stakeholder group representatives, responding to list of questions in writing and in person.</i> Sessions will be held on October 9 and October 23, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. • Additional written input that cannot fit into these sessions will be taken and considered.

<p>November</p> <p><i>2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Additional stakeholder input session if needed.</i> • Panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify key points of agreement/ disagreement amongst stakeholders. ○ Agree upon major takeaways/themes from stakeholder input. • Briefing: review draft of comparative utility rate design report • Consider refinements to draft problem statement based on stakeholder input, comparative utilities rate design report. • Consider refinements to draft goals and objectives statement based on stakeholder input • Discuss/Identify Panel key points of agreement, disagreement, and remaining questions. • Provide direction to staff to prepare interim report to Council.
<p>December</p> <p><i>1 meeting</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review, edit and approve contents of interim report to Council, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on comparable utilities (prepared by SCL staff) ○ Report on input from stakeholders ○ Draft statement goals and objectives related to SCL rate design ○ Draft problem statement • Deliberations on rate design preferred approaches.
<p>January</p> <p><i>1 or 2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliberations on rate design preferred approaches • Develop presentation to Council on interim report • <i>Outreach to stakeholders on interim report, process for providing additional input if desired.</i> • [Interim Report Due to Council by January 15]
<p>February</p> <p><i>1 or 2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliberation on rate design preferred approaches • <i>Opportunity for Additional Stakeholder input to Panel</i>
<p>March</p> <p><i>1 or 2 meetings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review draft report to Council and provide direction to finalize. • Develop presentation to Council on Panel recommendations
<p>April</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present to Council • [Final Report Due to Council by April 1]