EXHIBIT C APPROVED OCTOBER 31, 2022

MINUTES

SENATE AND HOUSE COMMITTEES ON CITY, COUNTY, AND LOCAL AFFAIRS

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 1:00 PM Room A, MAC Little Rock, Arkansas

Committee members present: Senators Gary Stubblefield, Chair; Scott Flippo, Mark Johnson, and Dan Sullivan. Representatives Lanny Fite, Chair; Howard Beaty, Andrew Collins, Carol Dalby, Megan Godfrey, Richard McGrew, Mark Perry, Johnny Rye, Jamie Scott, Keith Slape, and Les Warren

Other members present: Senator Kim Hammer. Representatives Fred Allen, Cameron Cooper, Marsh Davis, Charlene Fite, Denise Garner, Steve Hollowell, Jack Ladyman, Aaron Pilkington, Jay Richardson, Nelda Speaks, Dwight Tosh, Vivian Flowers, Frederick Love, Joy Springer, David Ray, Stephen Meeks, and Denise Ennett

Representative Fite called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes for the July 27, 2022, Meeting 2, 2020, Meeting [Exhibit C]

Senator Stubblefield made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Representative Dalby, and without objection, the motion carried.

Interim Study Proposal (ISP) 2021- 099 – [Exhibit D]

Representative L. Fite, Sponsor, provided a brief overview of ISP 2021-099, which was adopted by the committee August 18, 2021.

Environmental Impacts of Solar Power

Mr. Glenn Hooks, Policy Manager, Audubon Arkansas, discussed the environmental impacts and the benefits of solar power.

Business Involvement as it Relates to Installation of Solar Panels in Arkansas, Net-Metering Programs, Tax Credits and Government Subsidy Programs

Ms. Lauren Waldrip, Executive Director, Arkansas Advanced Energy Association (AAEA); Ms. Jade Anuszek, Co-Founder, President and Contractor, Arkansas Solar Power; Mr. Adam Ness, Asset Development Manager, Entegrity Partners; and Ms. Heather Nelson, Co-Founder, Seal Solar; discussed net-metering programs, tax credits, government subsidy programs, solar panel recycling components, and other existing programs in place associated with the recycling process.

The Effects of Net-Metering on the Cost of Power to Citizens, Both Commercial and Family, Not Participating in the Solar Power Programs

Mr. Ted Thomas, Chairman, Arkansas Public Service Commission (PSC); Mr. John Bethel, Director of Public Affairs, Entergy Arkansas, Incorporated; and Mr. Buddy Hasten, President and Chief Executive Officer, Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation (AECC); Jennifer Loiacano, Senior Counsel,

AECC; and Mr. Robert Shields, Senior Director of Regulatory Rates and Compliance, AECC; discussed the effects of net-metering on the cost of power to citizens not participating in solar power programs.

Expected Efforts Necessary to Keep Recycled Solar Panels, and Any Accompanying Accessories and Equipment, From Becoming a Part of the Solid Waste Stream

Mr. Joe Tucker, Vice President, eSCO Processing and Recycling, discussed the efforts necessary to keep recycled solar panels, accompanying accessories and equipment from becoming a part of the solid waste stream.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.