TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, TEXAS RESOLUTION NO. 2017-03

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS, OPPOSING THE PROPOSED LACEY OAKS TRANSMISSION LINE AND SUBSTATION PROJECT BY BRAZOS ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. REGARDING ITS PROPOSED SUBSTATION LOCATIONS AND TRANSMISSION LINE ROUTES IN AND THROUGH THE TOWN OF BARTONVILLE; MAKING FINDINGS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("BEPC") is proposing to construct approximately 3.3 to 6.7 miles of 138 kV double circuit transmission line with single-pole structures in the Town of Bartonville, Texas ("Town"); and

WHEREAS, BEPC and CoServ Electric are proposing a new approximately 5- to 10-acre electric substation west of FM 407 at four (4) potential locations in the Town, which substation will be known as the Lacey Oaks Substation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed transmission line would connect the Lacey Oaks Substation to an interconnection site along BEPC's existing transmission line located west of the existing BEPC Cross Timbers substation, which is located near the intersection of US Highway 377 and FM 1171; and

WHEREAS, the transmission right-of-way through the Town would be seventy feet (70') wide or would be one hundred feet (100') wide where needed for angled structures (the Lacey Oaks Substation and transmission line are known as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project as proposed will be located all within the corporate limits of the Town and will have significant impacts on residences and the overall community environment; and

WHEREAS, the Town understands the importance of providing low-cost, reliable electricity service while balancing the challenge of finding an ideal location for such facilities, but the Town believes that BEPC and CoServ Electric's proposed substation locations and transmission line routes do not offer the best solution to providing electric capacity to its customers for this Project, which the Town understands all reside outside of the corporate limits of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Bartonville, Texas ("Town Council"), has considered the benefits and disadvantages of having the Project within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the Bartonville Town Council has determined that it is not in the best interests of the Town or its citizens to have the Project located within its corporate limits at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1

Based upon the foregoing premises which are incorporated herein by reference, the Town of Bartonville, Texas, is strongly opposed to locating the Lacey Oaks Substation or any portion of the Lacey Oaks Substation and Transmission Line Project at any location within the Town of Bartonville.

SECTION 2

The Town of Bartonville has determined that BEPC and CoServ Electric should not locate a substation and transmission line in the Town for the reasons stated in the incorporated premises, and because the proposed substation and related transmission lines do not benefit existing and future customer demand in the Town.

SECTION 3

The Town of Bartonville encourages BEPC and CoServ Electric to consider alternative options related to the future locations of substations and transmission lines, and particularly overhead transmission lines, and that such types of facilities not be sited in the Town.

SECTION 4

A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Brazos Electric Cooperative, Inc., at 7616 Bagby Avenue, Waco, Texas 76712, and to CoServ Electric, at 7701 South Stemmons, Corinth, Texas 76210-1842.

SECTION 5

The Town Attorney is authorized to engage special legal counsel to represent the Town and coordinate the preparation and filing of any necessary intervention to oppose any proceedings filed by BEPC and CoServ Electric which are inconsistent with this Resolution.

SECTION 6

This Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 18th DAY OF APRIL, 2017.



APPROVED:

Bill Scherer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Dixon, Town Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Edwin P. Voss, Jr., Town Attorney