

## **CHRONOLOGY OF THE AGENDA ITEM**

On March 13, 2019, the State of Georgia re-solicited natural gas services through the RFP process and **SCANA Energy Marketing, Inc.** was awarded the Statewide Contract for Natural Gas to provide natural gas service for the Atlanta market on October 1, 2019. The primary service under this contract is gas delivery, but it also includes a Program Manager that monitors prices for contract compliance and make recommendations as to the best price plan.

At its business meeting on December 9, 2019 the BOE approved the initial use of this Statewide Contract. The State contract was issued for a period of two (2) years. As required by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-506, a contract shall terminate at the close of each calendar year, therefore, on December 7, 2020 the BOE approved the use of this contract for the second year of the contract period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

At its business meeting on January 10, 2022 the BOE approved the use of this contract for an additional year from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

This agenda item will authorize the use of this contract for an additional year from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

By utilizing this agreement DCSD, will continue to purchase natural gas under the new Statewide Contract and have access to the services of the Program Manager to continue monitoring prices and maintain the option to develop an RFP should market conditions justify the need in the future.