

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ABILITY OF CITY RESIDENTS  
AND PROPERTY OWNERS TO ELECT TO OPT-OUT OF RECEIVING  
ADVANCED UTILITY METERS (SMART METERS)**

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Councilmember Michael Henry, and supported by Councilmember Rick Lipan.

WHEREAS, DTE Energy SMART meters (SMART meters) are modern electric meters which send electric meter readings automatically by using a radio frequency network rather than a traditional on-site meter reading method, and

WHEREAS, DTE Energy is actively installing SMART meters throughout southeastern Michigan and has recently mailed a letter to the City of Caro pertaining to the ability of City residents to opt-out of receiving a SMART meter, and

WHEREAS, a number of City residents have expressed concerns regarding negative health conditions that may result from the use of SMART meters, the accuracy of SMART meters, and the possibility that the use of SMART meters may contribute to the loss of personal privacy, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Public Service Commission has recently decided to investigate several aspects pertaining to the use and installation of SMART meters, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Public Service Commission, as a component of this investigation, is requesting that utility companies disclose information regarding the potential adverse health effects associated with the use of SMART meters, and

WHEREAS, the City of Caro Council is charged with securing and defending the overall health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City and their guests,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Caro Council hereby supports the ability of its residents and property owners to elect to opt-out of receiving SMART meters installed.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Caro Council supports the investigation by the Michigan Public Service Commission of SMART meters.

YES: Richard Pouliot, Michael Henry, Rick Lipan, Charlotte Kish

NO: Gordon Taggett, Joseph Greene

ABSENT: Amanda Langmaid

THIS RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED THIS 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2013. I, Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Caro, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City of Caro Council during its regular meeting held in the Municipal Building in the City of Caro on August 5, 2013.

  
KAREN J SNIDER  
Clerk/Treasurer