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Falls City Council Approves Feasibility Study On Power Generation

(KLZA)-- A Kansas City-based engineering firm will conduct a feasibility study for additional generation at the Falls City power plant.

On a recommendation of the Board of Public Works, the city council Monday evening approved hiring Lutz, Daily & Brain to conduct the study at a cost of \$29,500.

The study will help determine the need to spend in the neighborhood of \$6-million to put in either one or two new generators at the power plant.

Omaha Public Power District, which provides electricity to Falls City has said the current transmission line carrying the load to Falls City has nearly reached capacity. It is estimated that it would cost Falls City \$10-million to upgrade the line which would be owned by OPPD.

Currently the City has 8 power generators but six of them can only be operated on an emergency basis. Two bids were received for the study, the other was in the amount of \$49,600.

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