

RESOLUTION NO. 20140612-057

WHEREAS, according to Austin Energy's April 3, 2014 report, the utility installed service for approximately 8,200 new customers in Fiscal Year (FY) 2013; and

WHEREAS, Austin Energy plans to recover line extension costs gradually over five years from FY 2015 through FY 2019 until its 75 percent recovery goal is reached; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2013, the Electric Utility Commission unanimously recommended 100 percent cost recovery, with an exemption for certain affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the City Council approved a plan to increase line extension fees for water and wastewater; and

WHEREAS, recovering only partial fees for line extensions shifts those costs to other ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council strives to create fair utility rate policies;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

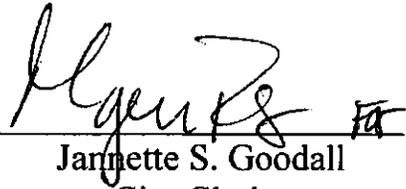
The City Manager is directed to plan for full cost recovery of line extensions, with an exemption for certain affordable housing, beginning October 1, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the City Manager is directed to craft reasonable exemptions for affordable housing developments.

ADOPTED: June 12, 2014

ATTEST:


Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk