

ORDINANCE NO. 20210408-025

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT PROPOSED BY TEXAS GAS SERVICE COMPANY.

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

PART 1. In accordance with Chapters 103 and 104 of the Texas Utilities Code, the City has exclusive original jurisdiction over gas rates charged for natural gas utility services provided in the City.

PART 2. On February 11, 2021, Texas Gas Service Company (TGS) filed a proposed interim rate adjustment with the City of Austin, Texas (the City) that would allow TGS to recover the incremental costs of the new investment it has made within its Central Gulf Service Area (CGSA) from January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. TGS filed the same request with the other cities it serves in the CGSA: Bayou Vista, Beaumont, Bee Cave, Cedar Park, Cuero, Dripping Springs, Galveston, Gonzales, Groves, Jamaica Beach, Kyle, Lakeway, Lockhart, Luling, Nederland, Nixon, Port Arthur, Port Neches, Rollingwood, Shiner, Sunset Valley, West Lake Hills and Yoakum. TGS is seeking an interim system-wide rate increase of \$10,714,728 from customers in the CGSA.

PART 3. TGS proposed an effective date of April 12, 2021, for applying the rate resulting from the interim rate adjustment.

PART 4. Pursuant to Texas Utilities Code § 104.301(a), the City is authorized to suspend the implementation of the interim rate adjustment for a period not to exceed 45 days beyond the effective date proposed by TGS.

PART 5. The City Council finds that the City requires additional time to review and consider the GRIP filing and supporting documentation filed by TGS.

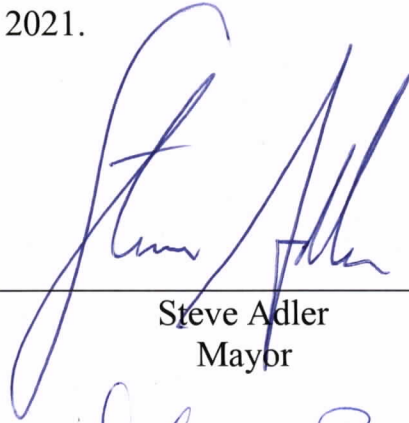
PART 6. The implementation of the interim rate adjustment in TGS's GRIP filing proposed to take effect on April 12, 2021, is hereby suspended until the sooner of: (a) the 45th day from the proposed effective date, or (b) the date acted upon by the City Council, whichever shall first occur.

PART 7. This ordinance takes effect on April 19, 2021.

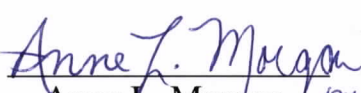
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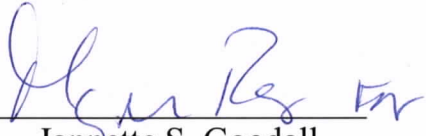
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Mayor

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