ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A RATE INCREASE PROPOSED BY SIENERGY, LP; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES; AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF THIS ORDINANCE TO SIENERGY.

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

PART 1. SiEnergy, LP, filed a "Statement of Intent" with the City of Austin and other Texas municipalities to increase its rates for natural gas service provided to customers in Austin.

PART 2. The City is authorized under Section 104.107 of the Texas Utilities Code to suspend the effective date of an increase in gas rates for 90 days in order to evaluate the effect of such a rate increase and to determine, whether the rates are appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable to all classes of Austin ratepayers.

PART 3. In accordance with Section 104.107 of the Texas Utilities Code, the Council suspends the effective date of the proposed increase for 90 days, so that the City may analyze information provided by Atmos and evaluate the proposed rate increase.

PART 4. The Council directs the city manager to: work in coalition with the other affected Texas municipalities to review and evaluate whether the proposed rates are appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable; engage rate experts, attorneys, and consultants to advise and assist the municipal coalition in exercising Austin's authority to regulate the rates of SiEnergy; and, if necessary, intervene in the Railroad Commission of Texas' consideration of SiEnergy's rate filing as it affects customers in the unincorporated areas.

PART 5. In accordance with Section 103.022 of the Texas Utilities Code, SiEnergy is directed to reimburse all municipal rate case expenses incurred by the City in relation to the filing.

PART 6. Notice of this ordinance is hereby provided to SiEnergy.

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	Kirk Watson Mayor
APPROVED: Anne L. Morgan	ATTEST:
Anne L. Morgan City Attorney	Myrna Rios City Clerk