

ORDINANCE NO. 20180628-053

**AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A RATE INCREASE PROPOSED BY
ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF
MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES; AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF THIS
ORDINANCE TO ATMOS.**

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

PART 1. Atmos Energy filed a "Statement of Intent" with the City of Austin and other Central-Texas municipalities to increase its rates for natural gas service.

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 ratepayers.

PART 3. In accordance with Section 104.107 of the Texas Utility 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 and the Atmos Texas Municipalities Coalition in the review and evaluation of whether the proposed rates are appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable; and, if necessary, intervene as a necessary party in the Railroad Commission of Texas consideration of the Atmos rate filing as it affects customers in the unincorporated areas of the Central-Texas region.

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

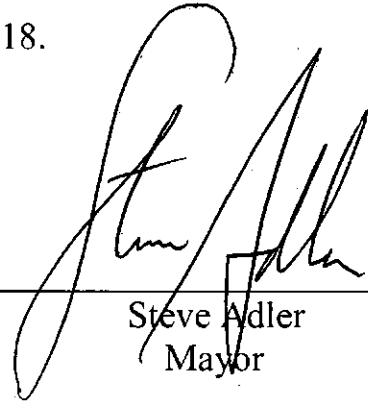
PART 6. Notice of this ordinance is hereby provided to Atmos.

PART 7. This ordinance takes effect on July 9, 2018.

PASSED AND APPROVED

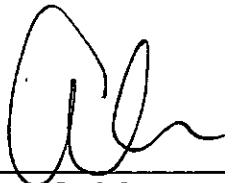
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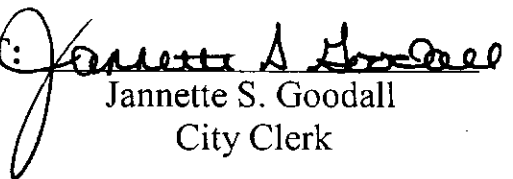
Steve Adler
Mayor

APPROVED:



Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

ATTEST:



Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk