ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT PROPOSED BY ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION’S MID-TEX DIVISION.

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 June 13, 2019, Atmos Energy Corporation’s Mid-Tex Division (Atmos) filed a proposed interim rate adjustment under the Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP) with the City of Austin, Texas (the City) and the other cities that Atmos serves at the Atmos Texas Municipalities Coalition. The proposal would allow Atmos to recover the incremental costs of the new investment it has made in its Mid-Tex Division between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018. Atmos is seeking an interim rate increase of $6,590,595 from customers in its Mid-Tex Division.

PART 3. Atmos proposed an effective date of August 12, 2019 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 Atmos.

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

PART 6. The implementation of the interim rate adjustment in Atmos’s GRIP filing proposed to take effect on August 12, 2019 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.
PART 7. This ordinance takes effect on _________________, 2019.

PASSED AND APPROVED

______________________________, 2019

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Steve Adler
Mayor

APPROVED: ____________________ ATTEST: ____________________
Anne L. Morgan Jannette S. Goodall
City Attorney City Clerk