



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #:** 22-2134, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

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**Posting Language**

Approve an ordinance to suspend the effective date of a proposed rate increase by Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC by 90 days.

**Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

**Fiscal Note**

This item has no fiscal impact.

**For More Information:**

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**Additional Backup Information:**

On May 13, 2022, Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC ("Oncor") filed an application seeking to increase system-wide electric transmission and distribution rates by about \$251 million or approximately 4.5% over present revenues. Oncor's rate filing seeks the City's approval for an 11.2% increase in residential rates and a 1.6% increase in street lighting rates. If approved, a typical residential Oncor customer using 1,300 kWh per month would see a bill increase of about \$6.02 beginning on June 17, 2022. The last rate case filing made by Oncor was in 2017. There are approximately 1,100 Oncor customers (860 residential and 250 commercial customers) in the City that would be impacted by the proposed rate increase. These customers are in an area generally north of Howard Lane, south of Wells Branch Parkway, west of I-35 and east of Loop 1. The City has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates, operations, and services of Oncor in Austin, pursuant to Section 33.001 of the Texas Utilities Code. City staff recommends that Council approve an ordinance that suspends the June 17, 2022 effective date of Oncor's proposed rate increase for 90 days as allowed by statute to allow staff working in conjunction with other municipalities served by Oncor adequate time to evaluate the filing, determine whether the filing complies with the law, and to determine what further strategies, including settlement, to pursue.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

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