CITY OF McKINNEY, TEXAS



Legislation Text

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Consider/Discuss/Act on a Resolution of the City of McKinney, Texas Finding that Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC's Application for Approval to Amend its Distribution Cost Recovery Factor Pursuant to Increase Distribution Rates Within the City Should be Denied; Authorizing Participation with Oncor Cities Steering Committee; Authorizing the Hiring of Legal Counsel and Consulting Services; Finding that the City's Reasonable Rate Case Expenses Shall be Reimbursed by the Company; Finding that the Meeting at Which this Resolution is Passed is Open to the Public as Required by Law; Requiring Notice of this Resolution to the Company and Legal Counsel

COUNCIL GOAL: Financially Sound Government & Operational Excellence

MEETING DATE: June 1st, 2021

- **DEPARTMENT:** City Manager's Office
- **CONTACT:** Trevor Minyard, Strategic Services Manager

RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

• Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- The City, along with 158 other cities served by Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor" or "Company") is a member of the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor ("Steering Committee").
- Accordingly, the Steering Committee's attorneys recommend that all members adopt the Resolution denying Application for Approval to Amend its Distribution Cost Recover Factor ("DCRF") to Increase Distribution Rates with each of the cities in their service area.
- A description of the various sections of the attached resolution are below:
 - Section 1 authorizes the City to participate with OCSC as a party in the Company's DCRF filing, PUC Docket No. 51996.
 - Section 2 authorizes the hiring of Lloyd Gosselink and consultants to review the filing, negotiate with the Company, and make recommendations to the City regarding reasonable rates. Additionally, it authorizes OCSC to direct any necessary administrative proceedings or court litigation associated with an appeal of this application filed with the PUC.
 - Section 3 finds that the Company's application is unreasonable and should be denied.
 - Section 4 states that the Company's current rates shall not be changed.
 - Section 5 states the Company will reimburse Cities for their reasonable rate case expenses. Legal counsel and consultants approved by OCSC will submit monthly

invoices that will be forwarded to Oncor for reimbursement.

- Section 6 recites that the Resolution was passed at a meeting that was open to the public and that the consideration of the Resolution was properly noticed.
- Section 7 provides that Oncor and counsel for OCSC will be notified of the City's action by sending a copy of the approved and signed Resolution to counsel.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- On April 8, 2021, Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor" or "Company") filed an Application for Approval to Amend its Distribution Cost Recovery Factor ("DCRF") to Increase Distribution Rates with each of the cities in their service area. In the filing, the Company asserts that it is seeking an increase in total distribution revenue requirement by approximately \$97,826,277.
- The resolution authorizes the City to join with the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor ("OCSC") to evaluate the filing, determine whether the filing complies with law, and if lawful, to determine what further strategy, including settlement, to pursue.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

• Residential customers of Oncor throughout McKinney could see increased bills based on individual usage.

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

• N/A