City of Austin Council Meeting Backup: July 24, 2025

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING A RATE INCREASE PROPOSED BY ONCOR FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE; AUTHORIZING ENGAGEMENT WITH COALITION COUNSEL AND CONSULTANTS; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES; AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF THIS ORDINANCE TO ONCOR.

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

PART 1. Council makes the following findings:

(A) On June 26, 2025, Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC ("Oncor"), filed for a rate review with the City and the other Texas municipalities it serves, as well as the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC), to increase its rates, and proposes to implement its proposed increase in rates on or about July 31, 2025.

(B) The City is authorized under Section 36.108 of the Texas Utilities Code to suspend the effective date of a rate increase for 90 days in order to evaluate the effect of such a rate increase and to determine, by conducting hearings, if necessary, whether the rates are appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable.

PART 2. In accordance with Section 36.108 of the Texas Utilities Code, Council suspends the effective date of the proposed increase for 90 days, so that the City may analyze information provided by Oncor and evaluate the proposed rate increase.

PART 3Council directs the city manager to work with a coalition of other affected Texas municipalities, Alliance of Oncor Cities, represented by the law firm of Herrera Law & Associates, PLLC, and experts and consultants to advise and assist the City and the municipal coalition in exercising regulatory authority over the rates of Oncor, and, if necessary, intervene as a necessary party in the PUC's consideration of Oncor's rate filing as it affects the customers in the unincorporated areas.

PART 4. Notice of this ordinance shall be provided to Oncor.

PART 5. In accordance with Section 33.023 of the Texas Utilities Code, Oncor is directed to reimburse all municipal rate case expenses incurred by the City in relation to the filing.

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PART 6. This ordinance takes effect on _	, 2025.
PASSED AND APPROVED	
, 2025	§ § Kirk Watson
	Mayor
APPROVED:	ATTEST:
Deborah Thomas City Attorney	Erika Brady City Clerk

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