



CITY COUNCIL ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE:	June 2, 2022
SUBCATEGORY:	First Reading of Ordinances
DEPARTMENT NAME:	Finance
AGENDA ITEM TITLE:	Amendment to Utilities Ordinance Regarding Electric Rates
DEPARTMENT SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	<p>The proposed budget includes increases to electric rates. The Electric Department is proposing a rate increase based on the rate study provided by Electric Cities of Georgia (ECG), due to general operations of the electric department increasing, and the increased cost of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 going on-line, the proposed increases are necessary to sustain the electric department's expenditures. Along with the increases mentioned above, the cost of the electric department's cost of electricity generation (coal and natural gas) have also increased. The proposed changes include an increase in the base rate of all rate classes. Also, changes will occur in the actual rates of each rate class.</p> <p>With the proposed changes to the electric rates, the estimated increase to a residential user will be about \$8.00 per month for each 1,000 kWh used. The average Cartersville resident uses 1,013 kWh per month.</p> <p>I recommend approval of the proposed Electric rate changes to begin July 1, 2022.</p>
LEGAL:	None