

RESOLUTION NO. 26-06

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, TEXAS, (“CITY”) REGARDING THE INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP. d/b/a CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS, BEAUMONT/EAST TEXAS DIVISION, FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025.

WHEREAS, on or about February 17, 2026, CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. d/b/a/ CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas, Beaumont/East Texas Division (“CenterPoint”) filed an application for an interim rate adjustment/Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (“GRIP”), which if approved, results in an increase in the monthly customer charges as follows:

Rate Schedule	Current Customer Charge	Proposed 2026 Interim Rate Adjustment	Adjusted Charge	Increase Per Bill
R-2099-I-GRIP 2026; R-2099-U-GRIP 2026 Residential	\$27.86 per customer per month	\$2.47 per customer per month	\$30.33 per customer per month	\$2.47 per customer per month
GSS-2099-I-GRIP 2026; GSS-2099-U-GRIP 2026 General Service Small	\$53.12 per customer per month	\$4.18 per customer per month	\$57.30 per customer per month	\$4.18 per customer per month
GSLV-630-I-GRIP 2026; GSLV-630-U-GRIP 2026 General Service Large Volume	\$290.89 per customer per month	\$55.21 per customer per month	\$346.10 per customer per month	\$55.21 per customer per month

and

WHEREAS, the City has a responsibility to exercise due diligence with regard to rate increases of monopoly utilities who operate within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the application to increase rates by CenterPoint is complex; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to suspend the effective date for the increase in rates for forty-five days, so that the City can assure itself that the data and calculations in CenterPoint’s rate application are in accordance with the Section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act; and

WHEREAS, the effective date proposed by CenterPoint is April 18, 2026 but a suspension by the City will mean that the rate increase cannot go into effect prior to June 2, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. That the statements and findings set out in the preamble to this resolution are hereby in all things approved and adopted.

Section 2. The City suspends the requested effective date by CenterPoint for forty-five days pursuant to the authority granted the City under Section 104.301 of the Texas Utilities Code. The City finds that additional time is needed in order to review the data and calculations that provide the basis for the rate increase application.

Section 3. The City shall continue its participation with other cities that are part of a coalition of cities known as the Alliance of CenterPoint Municipalities (“ACM”).

Section 4. The City authorizes the law firm of Herrera Law & Associates, PLLC, to act on its behalf in connection with CenterPoint’s application to increase rates.

Section 5. To the extent allowed by law, CenterPoint is ordered to pay the City’s reasonable rate case expenses incurred in response to CenterPoint’s rate increase application within 30 days of receipt of invoices for such expenses.

Section 6. A copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to ACM’s Special Counsel, Mr. Alfred R. Herrera, Herrera Law & Associates, PLLC, P.O. Box 302799, Austin, Texas 78703 or via email to aherrera@herreralawpllc.com.

Section 7. The meeting at which this resolution was approved was in all things conducted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Section 8. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2026.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY