

RESOLUTION NO. R-031323-4

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS SUSPENDING THE MAY 01, 2023 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE PROPOSAL BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS – SOUTH TEXAS DIVISION TO IMPLEMENT INTERIM GRIP RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR GAS UTILITY INVESTMENT IN 2022 AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca, Texas (“City”) is a gas utility customer of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy South Texas Division, (“CenterPoint” or “the Company”) and a regulatory authority with an interest in the rates and charges of CenterPoint; and

WHEREAS, CenterPoint made filings with the City and the Railroad Commission of Texas (“Railroad Commission”) on March 02, 2023, proposing to implement interim rate adjustments (“GRIP Rate Increases”) pursuant to Texas Utilities Code § 104.301 on all customers served by CenterPoint, effective May 01, 2023; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the City, as a regulatory authority, to examine the GRIP Rate Increases to determine its compliance with the Texas Utilities Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS, THAT:

1. The May 01, 2023, effective date of the GRIP Rate Increases proposed by CenterPoint is hereby suspended for the maximum period allowed by Texas Utilities Code § 104.301(a) to permit adequate time to review the proposed increases, analyze all necessary information, and take appropriate action related to the proposed increases.
2. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Keith L. Wall. at 1111 Louisiana Street, CNP Tower 19th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002 and to Thomas Brocato, legal counsel to the City, at Lloyd Gosselink, 816 Congress Ave., Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of March, 2023.

Mayor Jack Whitlow

ATTEST:

City Secretary Mandy Grant

Subject: CenterPoint Energy South Texas Division GRIP 2023
From: "Thomas Brocato" <tbrocato@lglawfirm.com>
Sent: 3/3/2023 2:26:31 PM
To: "Thomas Brocato" <tbrocato@lglawfirm.com>;
CC: "Samantha Miller" <smiller@lglawfirm.com>;

This email is for cities served by CenterPoint Energy South Texas Division Service Area:

Yesterday, CenterPoint Energy made Interim Rate Adjustment or "GRIP" filings with the cities in its South Texas Division Service Area. The Company is seeking recovery of \$68,292,974 in invested capital. The current filing will increase rates to residential customers by \$3.72 per month. This will increase the current residential customer charge from \$27.03 to \$30.75 per month.

The increase is currently scheduled to go into effect on May 1, 2023.

Under the GRIP statute, cities may not challenge the Company's request. The only action you may take is to suspend the effective date of the rate increase by 45 days. If you are interested in doing so, please let me know and I will provide you with a resolution. You have until May 1 to adopt a resolution suspending the date the rate increase would otherwise go into effect.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions. Thomas



THOMAS BROCATO

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