ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM MEMO REGULAR MEETING

SUBJECT: An Ordinance Amending the Effective Date of the Efficiency Program in Chapter 98 of

the Rochelle Municipal Code

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<u>Summary:</u> Residential home efficiency upgrades can benefit both the customer and RMU by allowing customers and RMU to reduce their energy or water usage and lower peak demand. Incentivizing customers of RMU to make home efficiency upgrades can make upgrades more affordable for homeowners and renters leading to a more sustainable city. Retroactively implementing the addition of home efficiency upgrades to Chapter 98 will allow RMU customers that have made applicable investments in their homes since January 1, 2022, to receive the financial benefit of home efficiency upgrades, alleviating financial distress in the present.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:

Strategic Plan Goal Application: This project continues to support the City's Strategic Plan by expanding the utility sustainability program.

Recommendation: Suggest retroactively including the addition of home efficiency upgrades in Chapter 98 as of January 1, 2022.