



## Legislation Text

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### CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

#### All Districts

Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-1619

**PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** 1/19/2021

#### **STRATEGIC GOAL:**

**Goal 1 - Create an Environment Conducive to Strong Sustainable Economic Development**

**SUBGOAL:** Choose an item.

#### **SUBJECT:**

*APPROVE a Resolution / Ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.*

Discussion and action on a Resolution that the City Council of the City of El Paso approves of the implementation of the Texas Gas Service Company ("TGS") Application to Implement Initial Rates for a Conservation Adjustment tariff; that the implementation occur on February 23, 2021; and the tariff will be filed once every 3 years on October 15th; and that two full time employees based in El Paso be hired by TGS to administer the program.

**[POSTPONED FROM 01-19-21]**

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

*Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?*

Approval of this resolution allows Texas Gas Service to establish an energy efficiency program for the benefit of residential and commercial customers in select cities in its West Texas Service Area, including the City of El Paso. Program offerings include, but are not limited to, residential, new construction and commercial customer rebates, in addition to a low-income free appliance replacement program.

#### **PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

*Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?*

On October 15, 2020, TGS filed an Application to Implement Initial Rates for a Conservation Adjustment tariff ("Energy Efficiency Program") which would take effect on November 25, 2020. On November 23, 2020, the City Council suspended the proposed Energy Efficiency Program for 90 days after the effective day specified in the filing to allow TGS and the City to engage in discussion regarding program priorities and needs. Since that time and in line with City recommendations, TGS has amended its application to increase funding for the low-income free appliance replacement program, cap program administrative costs, and clarify filing requirements.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

*How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by amount numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?*

N/A

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**Department Head:**

*If Agenda Item Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also*