

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Manager/Office of the City Attorney

AGENDA DATE: October 25, 2011

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT:

Public hearing and discussion and action concerning Establishing Interim Temporary Electric Rates.

Discussion and action on resetting the date of the hearing on Establishing Interim Temporary Electric Rates to November 8, 2011.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

On October 4, 2011, the City Council scheduled this hearing to consider interim temporary electric rates. This hearing and consideration of interim temporary rates is related to the Council's order to El Paso Electric Company to file a rate case within 120 days (by February 1, 2012). Under State law, the City as the regulatory authority has reason to believe that the electric utility rates are greater than needed to provide a reasonable opportunity to earn a reasonable return, the Council may initiate an inquiry, order a rate case be filed and set interim temporary rates to be in effect until a final determination is made.

In order to perform additional analysis, staff is requesting this hearing be reset to the Regular City Council meeting on November 8, 2011.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

After discussion on September 13 and October 4, 2011, Council ordered El Paso Electric to file a rate case by February 1, 2012 and established the hearing date to consider interim temporary electric rates.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____