

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST

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SUBJECT:	CPS Energy and SAWS Rate Freeze For Senior Citizens and Persons With	Ç
	Disabilities	
DATE:	January 13, 2022	
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Issue Proposed for Consideration:

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee:

1) A freeze on future CPS and SAWS rate increases, applicable for senior citizens aged 65 and over, persons with disabilities, and with special consideration for disabled veterans

Brief Background:

Among the most cost burdened in our city are our seniors and community members with disabilities. Many live precariously month-to-month on fixed incomes while rent, property taxes, medical costs, food, and transportation costs continue to rise. The COVID-19 pandemic has further exacerbated already cost-burdened communities with additional health costs, loss of income, and unexpected burdens in their daily lives. CPS Energy has proposed a 3.85 percent base rate increase for all customers, set for implementation in March 2022 pending City Council approval. Another 0.8 percent increase has been proposed monthly over the next 25 years.

This CCR requests coordination with the CPS Energy and SAWS Rate Advisory Committees, in addition to a public engagement process and a cost analysis of potential lost revenue for CPS and SAWS with a report back to the respective Rate Advisory Committees and the City Council regarding a future rate freeze. An analysis on potential changes to the rate structure and rate classes to make this change possible should also be provided.

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