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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Councilwoman Melissa Cabello Havrda, District 6
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SUBJECT: CPS Energy
DATE: September 12, 2023

Issue Proposed for Consideration

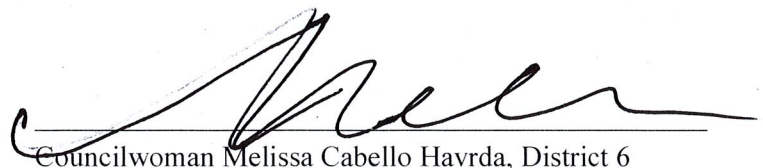
I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee: Returning 2% to 3% of the 14% monthly revenue received from CPS in order to improve CPS Energy's resiliency. This CCR should be heard during the October 2023 Governance meeting and placed on the following City Council "B" Session for full council consideration.

Brief Background

The reliability of power from the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) has been perilously volatile. In February of 2021, 16 Bexar County residents lost their lives during winter storm Uri. Each summer, higher temperatures and energy usage has led to increased concern of the grid collapsing. The second hottest summer for the state culminated on August 24, 2023, with a warning from City of San Antonio elected officials of potential power outages issued by the State of Texas.

The potential of rolling brownouts discussed on August 24th has made it abundantly clear that reinvestment into our own energy company is necessary. The need to improve reliability of CPS Energy, by improving software, infrastructure, and hardening of their energy generating plants has become paramount. Concerns of citizens having access to energy and being safe is matched by concerns of keeping our economic drivers such as the Port of San Antonio, Brooks City Base, the Medical Center, and others with reliable power. This conversation should not hinder hiring of public safety personnel. In addition, the conversation should focus on staving off rate increases for a minimum of 5 years. Not reinvesting into CPS can create both economic and humanitarian deficits for San Antonio.

Submitted for Council consideration by:


Councilwoman Melissa Cabello Havrda, District 6



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