

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Governance Committee Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Finance Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Troy Elliott

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

A briefing and discussion on a Council Consideration Request (CCR) from Councilmember Jalen McKee-Rodriguez on a proposed CPS Energy and SAWS Rate Freeze for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities.

SUMMARY:

A briefing and discussion on a Council Consideration Request (CCR) from Councilmember Jalen McKee-Rodriguez on a proposed CPS Energy and SAWS Rate Freeze for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On January 13, 2022, Councilmember Jalen McKee-Rodriguez submitted a Council Consideration Request (CCR) calling for "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." The CCR asks for coordination with the CPS Energy and SAWS Rates Advisory

Committees, in addition to a public engagement process, and a cost analysis for potential lost revenue.

Both CPS Energy and SAWS have created Rate Advisory Committees (RAC) that are studying the rate design which includes looking at how revenues are collected from different rate groups. After their review, each RAC will be providing rate design recommendations to their respective Utilities Board of Trustees.

City staff recommends forwarding this CCR to each utility's RACs to incorporate studying the feasibility of a rate freeze for senior citizens aged 65 and over, persons with disabilities, with special consideration for disabled veterans.

ISSUE:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact; this memo is for briefing purposes only.

ALTERNATIVES:

This memo is for briefing purposes only.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the CCR be forwarded to the CPS Energy and SAWS RAC for consideration in their respective rate design review.