

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION PROPOSING CERTAIN
CHANGES TO THE NATURAL GAS TARIFFS
OF COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES**

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs Utilities (Utilities) has determined that no base rate change is required for Natural Gas rates at this time, but has proposed changes to multiple Natural Gas Tariff Sheets; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has prepared projections of costs and revenues in conformance with the language in the Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) tariff; and

WHEREAS, the GCA rate contains a natural gas fuel cost recovery component and a natural gas capacity cost recovery component; and

WHEREAS, the Gas Cost charge of the Natural Gas Rate Schedules also recovers natural gas fuel costs; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed, and the City Council finds it prudent, to separate the natural gas fuel recovery component and the natural gas capacity cost recovery component of the GCA; to create a new Gas Capacity Charge; and to combine the GCA natural gas fuel recovery component and the Gas Cost charge of the Natural Gas Rate Schedules; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it prudent that the combined natural gas fuel recovery rate be named the "Gas Cost Adjustment", that it contain all natural gas fuel costs, and that the newly combined rate be set at \$0.1961 per hundred cubic feet (Ccf); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it prudent that the natural gas capacity cost recovery component of the GCA be named the "Gas Capacity Charge" and that it be set forth on the tariff sheets for each customer class; and

WHEREAS, the changes made to the Gas Cost Adjustment and the Gas Capacity Charge create an overall decrease to the present rates; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed, and the City Council finds it prudent to revise the contract termination rights of the Commercial Service – Firm Seasonal Option and the Industrial Service – Interruptible Sales; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed, and the City Council finds it prudent to modify qualifications to the Commercial Firm – Seasonal Option; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed, and the City Council finds it prudent to revise the nomination times for the Industrial Transportation Service – Firm in order to comply with new Federal Energy Regulatory Commission guidelines effective April 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed, and the City Council finds it prudent to remove the Industrial Service – Interruptible Sales – Daily Index Option; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has proposed and the City Council finds it prudent to remove certain USAFA charges from the Contract Service – GINFPRS tariff since the construction projects to which those charges applied are now completed and no further billing is necessary; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has provided public notice of the proposed changes and has complied with the requirements of the City Code for changing its natural gas rates, charges and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed modifications to the natural gas rate schedules and tariffs are just, reasonable, sufficient and not unduly discriminatory and allow Utilities to collect revenues that enable Utilities to continue to operate in the best interest of all of its Customers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Gas Cost Adjustment rate and Gas Capacity Charges shall be effective January 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, specific rates, policy changes, and changes to any terms and conditions of service are set out in the attached tariffs for adoption with the final City Council Decision and Order in this case.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. That Colorado Springs Utilities Tariff, City Council Volume No. 5, Natural Gas Rate Schedules shall be revised as follows:

Effective January 1, 2016

City Council Vol. No. 5		
Sheet No.	Title	Cancel Sheet No.
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 1a	Table of Contents	Third Revised Sheet No. 1a
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 2a	Residential Service	Third Revised Sheet No. 2a
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 3a	Commercial Service - Firm	Third Revised Sheet No. 3a
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 3a.1	Commercial Service – Firm	Third Revised Sheet No. 3a.1
Third Revised Sheet No. 3a.2	Commercial Service – Firm	Second Revised Sheet No. 3a.2
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 4a	Industrial Service - Interruptible Sales	Third Revised Sheet No. 4a
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 4a.1	Industrial Service - Interruptible Sales	Third Revised Sheet No. 4a.1
Third Revised Sheet No. 4a.2	Industrial Service - Interruptible Sales	Second Revised Sheet No. 4a.2
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 5a	Contract Service - Firm	Third Revised Sheet No. 5a
Sixth Revised Sheet No. 5a.1	Contract Service - Firm	Fifth Revised Sheet No. 5a.1
First Revised Sheet No. 5a.2	Contract Service - Firm	Original Sheet No. 5a.2
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 8a	Contract Service - Firm	Third Revised Sheet No. 8a
Tenth Revised Sheet No. 10a	Gas Cost Adjustment	Ninth Revised Sheet No. 10a
Original Sheet No. 11a	Gas Capacity Charge	

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Sheet No.	Title	Cancel Sheet No.
Third Revised Sheet No. 7a.4	Industrial Transportation Service - Firm	Second Revised Sheet No. 7a.4
Third Revised Sheet No. 7a.6	Industrial Transportation Service - Firm	Second Revised Sheet No. 7a.6

Section 2. The attached tariff sheets are hereby approved and adopted effective January 1, 2016 and shall remain in effect unless changed by subsequent Resolution of the City Council.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 8th day of December, 2015.

City Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah Johnson, City Clerk