

Legislation Text

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Title

Request to Establish a Public Hearing Date for the Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Certain Changes to Colorado Springs Utilities' Open Access Transmission Tariff

Presenter:

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Summary:

Colorado Springs Utilities requests that City Council schedule a public hearing for June 28, 2022 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council to consider changes to Colorado Springs Utilities' Open Access Transmission Tariff, effective August 1, 2022.

Background:

Colorado Springs Utilities is submitting a tariff revision that includes proposed changes to add provisions describing and pertaining to the Western Energy Imbalance Service (WEIS) Market to be effective August 1, 2022. Colorado Springs Utilities has determined that it would be advantageous to join the WEIS Market. The WEIS Market is an energy imbalance market, administered by the Southwest Power Pool (SPP). Colorado Springs Utilities anticipates financial savings from serving intra-hour energy imbalances at lower cost and from integrating our renewable energy portfolio more effectively. This tariff revision also includes proposed changes to remove the provisions describing and pertaining to Joint Dispatch Transmission Service.

In accordance with the City Code of the City of Colorado Springs § 12.1.108 and Part 4 of the Rules and Procedures of City Council, Colorado Springs Utilities is required to make a filing of this nature when proposing changes to terms of service set forth in its tariffs and request a hearing before City Council not less than thirty days from the date of filing.

Colorado Springs Utilities is complying with these City Code and Rules and Procedures of City Council requirements by requesting that this action be placed on the May 24, 2022, City Council meeting agenda, at which time a hearing date of June 28, 2022, will be requested.

The tariff filing, including the resolution and all supporting documentation, will be made on May 24, 2022. Both physical and electronic copies of the entire filing will be available for public inspection in the City Clerk office. Electronic copies will be provided to City Council members and a .pdf file version will also be placed on Colorado Springs Utilities website at www.csu.org. Notice of the Public Hearing will be made by publication in The Gazette no less than 30 days before the public hearing.

Previous Council Action:

On April 09, 2019, City Council approved the most recent changes to Colorado Springs Utilities' Open

Access Transmission Tariff by Resolution No. 43-19. This action approved certain changes that added provisions for Joint Dispatch Transmission Service to Colorado Springs Utilities' Open Access Transmission Tariff in conjunction with participation in the Joint Dispatch Agreement, administered by Public Service Company of Colorado.

Financial Implications:

N/A

City Council Appointed Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation: N/A

Stakeholder Process:

N/A

Alternatives:

Postpone or oppose the proposed schedule for a public hearing. Alternative may have negative implications.

Proposed Motion:

Move approval of the proposed hearing date of June 28, 2022.

Summary of Ordinance Language

N/A