

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_-23

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE NATURAL GAS RATES  
WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF COLORADO SPRINGS  
UTILITIES AND REGARDING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE  
NATURAL GAS RATE SCHEDULES

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs Utilities (Utilities) analyzed the cost of providing natural gas utility service to its Customers and analyzed its current and expected revenue needs; and

WHEREAS, natural gas service revenues will need to increase by approximately \$5.0 million; and

WHEREAS, Utilities proposed to modify the Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Contract Service non-fuel rates to reflect the appropriate cost for the service; and

WHEREAS, Utilities proposed to modify the Interruptible Prescheduled rates; and

WHEREAS, Utilities proposed to modify balancing charges applicable to certain Industrial services; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Colorado State Legislature passed Senate Bill 21-264 requiring natural gas utilities to adopt programs that encourage customers to reduce emissions generated by natural gas-based appliances and heating equipment; and

WHEREAS, Utilities filed its Clean Heat Plan with the State to meet the tenets of this legislation; and

WHEREAS, Utilities proposed a new natural gas charge, referred to as the Colorado Clean Heat Plan Charge, to recover the cost of programs needed to meet Colorado's Clean Heat Plan law; and

WHEREAS, Utilities proposed to make the natural gas rate schedule tariff changes effective January 1, 2024, as noted in the table below; and

WHEREAS, the details of the changes noted above are reflected in Utilities' 2024 Rate Case; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds Utilities' proposed modifications prudent; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed modifications to the natural gas rate schedules 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 its Customers; and

WHEREAS, Utilities provided public notice of the proposed changes and complied with the requirements of the City Code for changing its natural gas rate schedules; 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. 6, Natural Gas Rate Schedules shall be revised as follows:

Effective January 1, 2024

<b>City Council Vol. No. 6</b>		
<b>Sheet No.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Cancels Sheet No.</b>
Third Revised Sheet No. 1	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Second Revised Sheet No. 1
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Original Sheet No. 13	COLORADO CLEAN HEAT PLAN CHARGE	

Section 2: The attached Tariff Sheets, Council Decision and Order, and other related matters are hereby approved and adopted.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

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Randy Helms, Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk