

RESOLUTION NO. 28-2001

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, SUSPENDING THE PROPOSED JULY 12, 2001, RATE INCREASE FOR NINETY (90) DAYS, AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF COUNSEL AND CONSULTANTS AND ALLOWING FOR COOPERATION WITH A WEST TEXAS REGION STEERING COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, TXU Gas Company has filed a Statement of Intent to change Residential and Commercial Rates, to become effective August 2, 2001; and,

WHEREAS, the Gas Utility Regulatory Act provides that the City, as regulatory authority, review the request and requires the City Council to retain any and all personnel necessary to make the determination of reasonable rates; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council needs additional time to study the proposed rate increases; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the Council hereby suspends the August 2, 2001 effective date of the proposed rate increase, including any temporary increase, for ninety (90) days until October 31, 2001, in order that the City Council will have time to study the proposed rate increase.

PART 2: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to retain any and all personnel necessary, to examine the proposed rate increase and to cooperate with other West Region Cities in this rate request.

PART 3: That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to notify TXU Gas Company that the proposed increase is hereby suspended for ninety (90) days.

PART 4: That the City's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by TXU Gas Distribution.

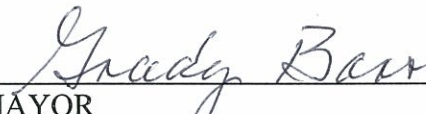
PART 5: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED this 12 day of July, A.D. 2001.

ATTEST:



CITY SECRETARY



MAYOR

APPROVED:


CITY ATTORNEY