RESOLUTION NO. 8-2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FIVE CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene is a regulatory authority under the Gas Utility Regulatory Act (GURA) and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division (Atmos) within the municipal boundaries of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) has historically intervened in Atmos rate proceedings and gas utility related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and gas customers residing within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, ACSC is participating in Railroad Commission dockets and projects, as well as court proceedings, affecting gas utility rates; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of ACSC; and

WHEREAS, in order for ACSC to continue its participation in these activities which affects the provision of gas utility service and the rates to be charged, it must assess its members for such costs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESÔLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

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That the City is authorized to continue its membership with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to protect the interests of the City of Abilene and protect the interests of the customers of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division residing and conducting business within the City limits.

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It is further authorized to pay its 2012 assessment to the ACSC in the amount of five cents (\$0.05) per capita based on the population figures for the City shown in the latest TML Directory of City Officials.

A copy of this Resolution and approved assessment fee payable to "Atmos Cities Steering Committee" shall be sent to:

Mary Bunkley Treasurer, Atmos Cities Steering Committee c/o Arlington City Attorney's Office, Mail Stop 63-0300 Post Office Box 90231 Arlington, Texas 76004-3231

PRESENTED AND PASSED on this the 26th day of April, 2012 at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas.

Signature

Norm Archibald, Mayor

ATTEST:

Signature

Danette Dunlap, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

T. Daniel Santee, City Attorney