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APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT

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BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S PETITION FOR REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS, MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE, AND MOTION TO ADMIT EVIDENCE

CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint Houston" or the "Company") hereby appeals the rate decisions adopted by the cities and towns of La Marque, South Houston, Dickinson, Jersey Village, Manvel, Lake Jackson, Deer Park, Rosenberg, Webster, Stafford, Brazos Country, Santa Fe, La Porte, West University Place, Spring Valley Village, Galveston, and the Village of Pleak (collectively, "Cities") to deny the Company's Statement of Intent and Application to increase its base rates. CenterPoint Houston also moves to consolidate this appeal of the Cities' actions with Docket No. 49421. Appeals of these rate decisions are filed pursuant to Section 33.051 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA").

I. CENTERPOINT HOUSTON'S REQUESTED RATE CHANGE

On April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Houston filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") in this proceeding a Statement of Intent and Application to increase its base rates to be charged in areas over which the Commission has original jurisdiction. Concurrently with that filing, CenterPoint Houston filed a similar Statement of Intent and Application with each city having original jurisdiction over the Company's rates within the city.

II. **JURISDICTION**

The Commission has jurisdiction over this Petition for Review and Motion to Consolidate pursuant to PURA Sections 32.001, 33.051, 33.053, 33.054, and 36.001.

III. PETITION FOR REVIEW OF THE CITIES' ACTIONS

In the ordinances and resolutions identified in the table below, the Cities denied the Company's requested rate changes:

Date of Municipal Action	City		
July 8, 2019	La Marque		
July 9, 2019	South Houston		
July 9, 2019	Dickinson		
July 11, 2019	Santa Fe		
July 15, 2019	Jersey Village		
July 15, 2019	Manvel		
July 15, 2019	Lake Jackson		
July 16, 2019	Deer Park		
July 16, 2019	Rosenberg		
July 16, 2019	Webster		
July 17, 2019	Village of Pleak		
July 17, 2019	Stafford		
July 18, 2019	Brazos Country		
July 22, 2019	La Porte		
July 22, 2019	West University Place		
July 23, 2019	Spring Valley Village		
July 25, 2019	Galveston		

Copies of each ordinance or resolution the Company has received are attached to the Petition for Review as Exhibit A. CenterPoint Houston hereby appeals the Cities' denial of the proposed rate change and requests that the Commission exercise its appellate jurisdiction to conduct a *de novo* review of the Cities' denial of the rate change request. CenterPoint Houston files this Petition with the Commission within the 30-day period set forth in PURA § 33.053(b) for appeal of actions by a municipality.

IV. MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

CenterPoint Houston also requests that its appeals of the Cities' denials be consolidated with Docket No. 49421. These appeals involve issues of law and fact common to those in Docket

No. 49421, and separate hearings of these appeals and Docket No. 49421 would result in unwarranted expense, delay, or substantial injustice.¹

V. MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE MUNICIPAL RATE-CASE EXPENSE ISSUES WITH DOCKET NO. 49595

CenterPoint Houston also appeals the decisions of the cities that determined "GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint." The reimbursement of GCCC's rate-case expenses involve issues of law and fact common to the separate docket established for rate-case expense issues, Docket No. 49595, Review of Rate Case Expenses Incurred by CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC in Docket Nos. 38339, 45747, 47032, 47364, 48226, and 49421. CenterPoint Houston requests that all rate-case expense issues related to municipal rate-case expenses be consolidated with Docket No. 49595 so that the Commission can determine what amount is reasonable and reimbursable under PURA § 33.023. Separate hearings on the rate-case expense issues associated with this Petition and Docket No. 49595 would result in unwarranted expense, delay, or substantial injustice.

VI. MOTION TO ADMIT EVIDENCE

CenterPoint Houston moves to admit this Petition for Review and the attached ordinances into the record as CEHE Exhibit No. 122.

VII. PRAYER

CenterPoint Houston respectfully requests that the Administrative Law Judge enter an order granting the Company's petition for review and consolidating these appeals of the Cities'

¹ See P.U.C. Proc. R. 22.34(a).

² E.g. Exhibit A at 2. The cities that made such a determination are La Marque, South Houston, Dickinson, Santa Fe, Jersey Village, Manvel, Lake Jackson, Deer Park, Rosenberg, Webster, the Village of Pleak, Stafford, Brazos Country, Spring Valley Village and Galveston *Id*.

³ SOAH Order No. 5 (June 4, 2019).

⁴ See P.U.C. Proc. R. 22.34(a).

denials with this docket. CenterPoint Houston also requests that all municipal rate-case expense issues be consolidated with Docket No. 49595. CenterPoint Houston also requests that this Petition and attached municipal ordinances and resolutions be entered into the record. CenterPoint Houston also requests such further relief to which it may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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COUNSEL FOR CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of August 2019, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties of record in accordance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.74.

Mark A. Santos

RESOLUTION NO. R-2019-0014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LA MARQUE, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of La Marque ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MARQUE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of La Marque this _______, 2019.

CITY OF LA MARQUE, TEXAS

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13R

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH HOUSTON, TEXAS, FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of South Houston ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in rate-making activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH HOUSTON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers within the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 9TH DAY OF JULY, 2019.

JOE SOTO, MAYOR CITY OF SOUTH HOUSTON, TEXAS

ATTEST:

LANCE AVANT, CITY SECRETARY CITY OF SOUTH HOUSTON, TEXAS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1768-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Dickinson ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by Cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

- That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for Section 2. transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.
- That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.
- That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.
- Section 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 9th day/of July, 2019.

Charles Suderman, Mayor Pro Tem

City of Dickinson, Texas

ATTEST:

Alun W. Thomas, City Secretary

City of Dickinson, Texas

PRO∀ED AS TO FORM:

David W. Olson, City Attorney

City of Dickinson, Texas

CITY OF SANTA FE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, TEXAS, FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Santa Fe, Texas ("City"), a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of July, 2019.

ASON TABOR, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jahet L. Davis, City Secretary

APPROVED A

Ellis J. Ortego, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Jersey Village, Texas ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of July 2019.

Lorri Coody, City Secretary

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-R-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MANVEL TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Manvel ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF **MANVEL, TEXAS:**

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Suite 1900, Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this /> day of

ATTEST:

City Secretary

City.Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RESOLUTION NO 19 R 828

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE JACKSON TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC LLC S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED FINDING THAT THE CITY S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS on or about April 5 2019 CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric LLC (CenterPoint or Company) pursuant to PURA §§ 33 001 and 36 001 filed with the City of Lake Jackson Texas (City) a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area effective May 10 2019 and

WHEREAS the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City and

WHEREAS the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities (GCCC) a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area, and

WHEREAS GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing and

WHEREAS the City in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public considered the Company's application and

WHEREAS pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase and

WHEREAS PURA § 33 023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility and

WHEREAS the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RESOLUTION NO. $\frac{1}{2}0[9-0]$

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of **Deer Park**, a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters \(\hat{a}\) centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster \(\hat{a}\) Iglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this

day of

. 2019.

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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RESOLUTION NO. R-2794

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSENBERG, TEXAS, FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND, REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Rosenberg, Texas, ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSENBERG, TEXAS:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

<u>Section 2</u>. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

<u>Section 3</u>. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

<u>Section 4</u>. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

Section 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

APPROVED:

William T. Benton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney

Randle Law Office, Ltd., L.L.P.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEBSTER, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Webster ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEBSTER, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

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PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of July, 2019

Donna Rogers, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Marisela Garcia, Acting City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 19-108

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEAK TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the Village of Pleak ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEAK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

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PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of July 2019.

MAYOR, Larry Bittner

ATTEST:

City Secretary, Erin Walley

RESOLUTION NO. 28-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STAFFORD, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Stafford ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

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

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of July 2019.

eonard Scarcella, Mayor ...

ATTEST:

Tomika R. Lewis, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRAZOS COUNTRY, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Brazos Country ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRAZOS COUNTRY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this

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ATTEST:

City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-3753

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE RETAIL ELECTRIC RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC WITHIN THE CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS; DENYING RATE INCREASE REQUEST AND REVISED RATE SCHEDULES AND MAINTAINING CURRENT RATES IN EFFECT; CONTAINING FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT: PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

- WHEREAS, on April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint") submitted a Statement of Intent and Application for Authority to Change Rates ("Application") within the City of La Porte, Texas ("City"), requesting a rate increase, riders, and tariff changes (collectively "New Rates"); and
- WHEREAS, the City, as a local regulatory authority, exercises original jurisdiction over the rates, operations and services of CenterPoint for customers located within the City under Section 33.001 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") in the Texas Utilities Code; and
- WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Coalition of Cities ("Coalition") in this CenterPoint electric base rate proceeding, as approved by resolution 2019-07 by City Council on May 13, 2019; and
- WHEREAS, the New Rates would affect rates, operations or services for CenterPoint retail customers within the City; and
- WHEREAS, on May 10, 2019, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2019-3738 suspending the effective date of the New Rates until August 8, 2019 (the "Suspension Period"); and
- WHEREAS, during the Suspension Period, the City participated as part of the Houston Coalition of Cities ("Coalition") with other cities in the CenterPoint rate case proceedings at the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") related to rates for CenterPoint's unincorporated area (environs) customers and gathered information from CenterPoint: and
- WHEREAS, on La Porte City Council held a public hearing ("Public Hearing") regarding CenterPoint's Application on July 22, 2019; and
- WHEREAS, the expert utility rate consultants retained to review CenterPoint's New Rates on behalf of the Coalition have concluded that CenterPoint has not yet demonstrated through its application and testimony that its New Rates are just and reasonable, non-discriminatory and in compliance with all applicable law; and
- WHEREAS. City Council determines that CenterPoint's rates in effect as of April 5, 2019. ("Current Rates") are the just and reasonable rates to be observed and to remain in force within the City; and
 - WHEREAS. City Council anticipates that a denial of the New Rates will be appealed to the PUC; and
- WHEREAS, denial of the New Rates would maintain the Current Rates in effect for customers within La Porte. Texas until further changed under the Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the public interest will be served by the adoption of an ordinance denying the New Rates, because they promote the adequate and efficient provision of service, are just and reasonable and nondiscriminatory and are in compliance with all applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the facts contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are determined to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. That CenterPoint's application for New Rates on file with the City is denied in total.

Section 3. That the rates currently in effect as of April 5, 2019, for CenterPoint customers receiving service within the City of La Porte, Texas shall remain in effect until further changed under applicable law.

Section 4. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this ordinance that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness or invalidity of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable for that purpose.

Section 5. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2019

CITY OF LAPORTE, TEXAS

Louis Rigby, Mayo

ATTEST

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Lee Woodward, City Secretary

Clark Askins, Assistant City Attorney

City of West University Place Harris County, Texas

ORDINANCE NO. 2078

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE RETAIL ELECTRIC RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC WITHIN THE CITY OF WEST UNIVERSITY PLACE, TEXAS; DENYING RATE INCREASE REQUEST AND REVISED RATE SCHEDULES AND MAINTAINING CURRENT RATES IN EFFECT; CONTAINING FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint") submitted a Statement of Intent and Application for Authority to Change Rates ("Application") within the City of West University, Texas ("City"), requesting a rate increase, riders, and tariff changes (collectively "New Rates"); and

WHEREAS, the City, as a local regulatory authority, exercises original jurisdiction over the rates, operations and services of CenterPoint for customers located within the City under Section 33.001 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") in the Texas Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Coalition of Cities ("Coalition") in this CenterPoint electric base rate proceeding, as approved by the resolution adopted by City Council on May 13, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the New Rates would affect rates, operations or services for CenterPoint retail customers within the City; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2019, the City Council adopted an Ordinance suspending the effective date of the New Rates until August 11, 2019 (the "Suspension Period"); and

WHEREAS, during the Suspension Period, the City participated as part of the Houston Coalition of Cities ("Coalition") with other cities in the CenterPoint rate case proceedings at the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") related to rates for CenterPoint's unincorporated area (environs) customers and gathered information from CenterPoint; and

WHEREAS, the expert utility rate consultants retained to review CenterPoint's New Rates on behalf of the Coalition have concluded that CenterPoint has not yet demonstrated through its application and testimony that its New Rates are just and reasonable, non-discriminatory and in compliance with all applicable law; and

WHEREAS, City Council determines that CenterPoint's rates in effect as of April 8, 2019, ("Current Rates") are the just and reasonable rates to be observed and to remain in force within the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council anticipates that a denial of the New Rates will be appealed to the PUC; and

WHEREAS, denial of the New Rates would maintain the Current Rates in effect for customers within West University Place, Texas until further changed under the Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the public interest will be served by the adoption of an ordinance denying the New Rates, because they promote the adequate and efficient provision of service, are just and reasonable and nondiscriminatory and are in compliance with all applicable law; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST UNIVERSITY PLACE, TEXAS:

- **Section 1.** That the facts contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are determined to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.
- **Section 2.** That CenterPoint's application for New Rates on file with the City is denied in total.
- **Section 3.** That the rates currently in effect as of April 8, 2019, for CenterPoint customers receiving service within the City of West University Place, Texas shall remain in effect until further changed under applicable law.
- **Section 4.** If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this ordinance that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness or invalidity of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable for that purpose.
- **Section 5.** The City Council officially finds, determines, recites and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.
- **Section 6.** The City Council further finds, determines and declares that an emergency exists such that this Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and adoption on the first and final reading.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED on First and Final Rea	iding on
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City Attorney	

RESOLUTION NO. 19-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Spring Valley Village, Texas ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

<u>SECTION 4</u>. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of July, 2019.

Tom S. Ramsey, Mayor

City of Spring Valley Village, Texas

ATTEST:

Roxanne Benitez, City Secretary (City of Spring Valley Village, Texas

RESOLUTION NO. 19-027

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON TEXAS FINDING THAT CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED INCREASE TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC ("CenterPoint" or "Company"), pursuant to PURA §§ 33.001 and 36.001 filed with the City of Galveston ("City") a Statement of Intent to change electric delivery rates in all municipalities exercising original jurisdiction within its service area, effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City is an electric utility customer of CenterPoint and a regulatory authority with exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and charges of CenterPoint within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC"), a membership of similarly situated cities served by CenterPoint that have joined together to efficiently and cost-effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in CenterPoint's service area; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is an intervenor in the parallel proceeding at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review CenterPoint's filing; and

WHEREAS, the City, in a reasonably noticed meeting that was open to the public, considered the Company's application; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its exclusive original jurisdiction over CenterPoint's rates and operations within city limits, the City previously suspended the effective date of the Company's requested rate increase; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility; and

WHEREAS, the City's attorneys and consultants recommend that the City deny the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the rates proposed by CenterPoint in an application submitted to the City by CenterPoint on or about April 5, 2019, are hereby found to be unreasonable, and are denied.

SECTION 2. That the Company shall continue to charge its existing rates for transmission and distribution service to customers with the City.

SECTION 3. That GCCC's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by CenterPoint within 30 days of presentation of an invoice to CenterPoint.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that the public notice was given of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting, as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Patrick Peters, CenterPoint Energy, Inc., 1005 Congress Avenue, Suite 650, Austin, Texas 78701 (patrick.peters@centerpointenergy.com), and to Chris Brewster at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (cbrewster@lglawfirm.com).

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney