

AN ORDINANCE 2014-11-13-0921

**AUTHORIZING CPS ENERGY TO ADD RIDER E20, WHICH WILL ALLOW FOR THE WAIVER OF LATE PAYMENT FEES ASSESSED ON ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITY BILLS TO SENIOR CITIZENS.**

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**WHEREAS**, the CPS Energy Board of Trustees operates a combined electric and gas utility system pursuant to the authority delegated by the City of San Antonio pursuant to ordinances and bond covenants; and

**WHEREAS**, the CPS Energy Board of Trustees is sensitive to the financial strain that low income customers who are senior citizens face in making timely electric and gas utility bill payments; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to provide some support to this target customer base, the CPS Energy Board of Trustees recommends to the City Council the implementation of Rider E20 that would allow for the waiver of late payment fees assessed to customers who meet the following criteria: (i) 60 years of age or older; (ii) customer of record; and (iii) income at or below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines; and **NOW THEREFORE**:

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

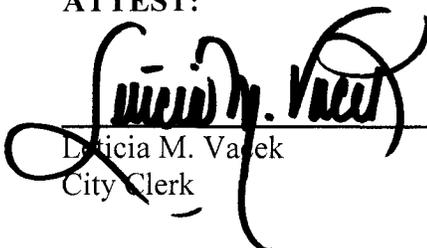
**SECTION 1.** The CPS Energy Rider E20, which is attached as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved and shall become effective on February 1, 2015.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage by eight (8) affirmative votes; otherwise it shall take effect on the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after passage.

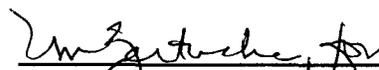
**PASSED AND APPROVED**, this 13th day of November 2014.

  
M A Y O R  
Ivy R. Taylor

**ATTEST:**

  
Leticia M. Varek  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Robert F. Greenblum  
City Attorney

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	34						
<b>Date:</b>	11/13/2014						
<b>Time:</b>	10:35:59 AM						
<b>Vote Type:</b>	Motion to Approve						
<b>Description:</b>	An Ordinance authorizing CPS Energy Rider E20 creating a senior citizen late payment fee waiver. [Ben Gorzell, Chief Financial Officer; Troy Elliott, Director, Finance]						
<b>Result:</b>	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy R. Taylor	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1		x				
Keith Toney	District 2		x				
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				
Rey Saldaña	District 4	x					
Shirley Gonzales	District 5	x					
Ray Lopez	District 6		x				x
Cris Medina	District 7		x			x	
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		x				
Joe Krier	District 9	x					
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x				

# **Exhibit A**

# **CPS Energy**

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## **RIDER E20**

# **RESIDENTIAL SENIOR CITIZEN LATE PAYMENT WAIVER**

### **APPLICATION**

This rider is available only in conjunction with the RESIDENTIAL SERVICE ELECTRIC RATE (RE), the RESIDENTIAL ALL ELECTRIC SERVICE ELECTRIC RATE (RA), or the GENERAL SERVICE GAS RATE (G) to each residential Customer who meets all of the following eligibility requirements:

- Individual must be 60 years of age or older and the Customer of record.
- Income at or below 125% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

### **MONTHLY BILL**

The monthly bill will be calculated in accordance with the corresponding CPS Energy full service residential electric and gas rates. Late payment charges for a qualified Customer will be waived.