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Electric Utility

Previously approved \$0.009/kWh electric rate increase deferred

- At the March 9 City Commission meeting, the \$0.009/kWh electric utility rate increase that was approved January 12, 2022, and scheduled to go into effect Friday, April 1, for all residential electric customers, was deferred. This rate change was to fund the undergrounding of residential service lines from the pole to the house.
- In light of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, disruption of global gas and oil distribution, and the rapid impact on energy prices, the City Commission decided to delay any rate increase by at least 90 days to evaluate the impact.
- Over the next 90 days, city staff, the Utilities Advisory Board and City Commission will evaluate the impact of global events on fuel prices and availability of equipment and supplies.
- Since fuel costs affect the Fuel Cost Recovery portion of power bills, the city will evaluate ways to mitigate the impact of any changes.
- As always, the city encourages customers to conserve electricity. More information about rebates and incentives for energy conservation can be accessed at cityofwinterpark.org/energyconservation.
- To learn about the various programs that can assist customers who are experiencing a financial hardship, please call Customer Service at <u>407-599-3220</u> or access <u>cityofwinterpark.org/billpay</u>.
- As meetings and work sessions are scheduled related to the electric utility, please access cityofwinterpark.org/meetings for details.