

RESOLUTION NO. 12-644

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE GULF COAST COALITION OF CITIES; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF 15 CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE COALITION TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITY SERVICE.

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Jackson is a regulatory authority under the Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of electric and natural gas utility service within the municipal boundaries of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities ("GCCC") has historically intervened in electric and gas utility rate proceedings and related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and customers residing within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, GCCC is participating in Public Utility Commission and Railroad Commission dockets and projects, as well as court proceedings, affecting transmission and distribution utility rates; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of GCCC; and

WHEREAS, in order for GCCC to continue its participation in these activities that affect the provision of electric and gas utility service and the rates to be charged, it must assess its members for such costs.

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

I.

That the City is authorized to continue its membership with GCCC to protect the interests of the City of Lake Jackson and protect the interests of utility customers residing and conducting business within the City limits.

II.

The City is further authorized to pay its assessment to GCCC of fifteen cents (\$0.15) per capita based on the population figures for the City shown in the latest TML Directory of City Officials.

III.

A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Thomas Brocato, General Counsel for the Gulf Coast Coalition of Cities, at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle and Townsend, 816 Congress Ave., Suite 1900, Austin, Texas, 78701.

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 public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of August, 2012.

Joe Rinehart, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice A. Rodgers
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sherri Russell
City Attorney