

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA
MARCH 11, 2025
6:30 PM**

Notice is hereby given that the Ingleside City Council will hold a Regular City Council Meeting on March 11, 2025, at 6:30 PM. The Meeting will be held in person at City Hall, 2671 San Angelo Street, Ingleside, Texas. Members of the public can view the meeting via live stream at <https://inglesidetx.gov/>.

With respect to any subject matter set forth below, the City Council may take action, unless otherwise expressly indicated with respect to any particular subject matter.

Opening Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order.

2. Roll Call.

3. Invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Citizen Comments and Reports.

Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Citizen Participation Form will have up to three minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

6. Staff Comments and Reports.

The Council may discuss any subject which is specifically listed under this item.

a. Council Comments and Reports.

b. Announcements of Community Interest and/or upcoming events.

c. Report on Garden Center building remodeling project.

d. Report on digital signs for the HWY 1069 by the Police Department, and HWY 361 at N.O. Simmons Park.

e. Report on Street Maintenance Program.

Presentations

7. Ingleside Public Library Award Presentation.

8. Presentation to recognize Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Barbara

Gregg.

Consent Agenda

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

9. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2025.

Public Hearing

The City Council shall call a public hearing on each item below in this section. Any person wishing to address the City Council on these items should please come forward when that public hearing is called.

Regular Agenda

10. Deliberate and take appropriate action on a Resolution by the City of Ingleside, Texas suspending the April 19, 2025 effective date of the proposal by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas - Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas, and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas, to implement interim GRIP rate adjustments for gas utility investment in 2024 and requiring delivery of this Resolution to the company and legal counsel.
11. Deliberate and take appropriate action on first reading of an Ordinance amending the City of Ingleside, Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook, Section 2 – Employee Responsibilities, 2.T. Ethics Policy; Providing Effective Date, Reading, Severance, and Publication.

Executive Session

12. Closed Session
City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:
 - A. Deliberations pursuant to Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) regarding status of attorney investigation related to possible employee misconduct.
 - B. Deliberation pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) regarding the City's administration of city-owned facilities.
13. Open Session
City Council will reconvene in Open Session at which time action on the matter(s) discussed in Closed Session may be considered.
 - A. Deliberations pursuant to Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) regarding status of attorney investigation related to possible employee misconduct.
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Closing Agenda

14. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

15. Adjourn.

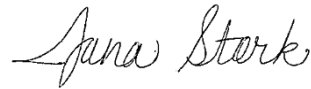
Special Accommodations

This facility is wheelchair accessible and there are special parking spaces near the main entrance. Request for accommodations or special services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact City Secretary's Office at (361) 776-2517 or Fax (361) 776-1027 or email citycouncilquestions@inglesidetx.gov for further information.

With respect to any subject matter listed on this agenda, the City Council may meet in Closed Executive Session, if and to the extent allowed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, any of the following sections of Chapter 551: Section 551.071 Consultations with Attorney, Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property, Section 551.073 Deliberation regarding Prospective Gift, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters, Section 551.087 Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations, and Section 551.089 Deliberation regarding Security Devices Or Security Audits.

Certification

I, Jana Stork, certify that the above notice of this Regular Meeting of the City Council was posted on the City Hall bulletin board at 2671 San Angelo Street, Ingleside, Texas on March 07, 2025 by 3:00 p.m.



Jana Stork, City Secretary

This public notice was removed from the official posting board at the Ingleside City Hall on the following:

Date: _____

Time: _____

By: _____

City Secretary's Office
City of Ingleside, Texas

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting: March 11, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: 6.a

Council Comments and Reports.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

RECOMMENDATION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM: 6.b

Announcements of Community Interest and/or upcoming events.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

1. Ingleside Public Library, Various Dates
 2. Toddler Time, Various Dates
 3. Ingleside Round Up Days & Music Festival, March 21-23
 4. Ingleside Parks & Recreation Flashlight Egg Hunt, April 04, 2025
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FISCAL ANALYSIS:

RECOMMENDATION:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025, 03-11 Community Events

Ingleside Public Library

2775 Waco St.

Ingleside, TX 78362

WEBSITE: <https://inglesidetx.gov/226/Library>

Phone: 361-776-5355

After School Program

Tuesdays

3:45p - 5:00p

5 & Under

Arts and Crafts

Fridays

9:30a - 10:30a

Game Day

Wednesday's

4:00 - 5:30PM

Mr. Kippy Storytime

Thursday's

3:30p - 4:30p

Friday's

8:30a - 9:30a

One Page at a Time Book Club

**Every 3rd Tuesday
of the Month**

1:30p

612 N. Sandpiper, Ingleside on Bay

RSVP: Gelinda: 972-463-0310 or Library

Toddler Time

• JANUARY

16th
&
30th

• FEBRUARY

13th
&
27th

• MARCH

6th
&
27th

• APRIL

10th

• MAY

8th
&
22nd

• JUNE

SUMMER
BREAK

• JULY

SUMMER
BREAK

• AUGUST

28th

• SEPTEMBER

11th
&
25th

• OCTOBER

9th
&
16th

• NOVEMBER

13th

• DECEMBER

TBD

The Ingleside Chamber of Commerce
Brings to you the 53rd Annual
Ingleside Round Up Days & Music Festival



ADMISSION

\$7.00

Kids 8 and under FREE

Free entry
for Active Military & Veterans

Weekend Pass \$15.00

\$500 VIP TABLES

\$5.00 parking

March 21st, 22nd & 23rd, 2025

2867 Ave J * N.O. Simmons Park, Ingleside

Friday Night - SpazMatics

Saturday Night- Ricky Naranjo

Sunday- Conjunto

Featuring

Kidz Zone

Marketplace Vendors

Food Trucks

Non-Sanctioned Chili Contest

Sausage Eating Contest

FOR MORE INFO CALL 361-776-2906 OR
INGLESIDETXCHAMBER.COM



INGLESIDE PARKS AND RECREATION

FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT

APRIL 4, 2025

LIGHTS OUT AT 8:30PM

EGG HUNT WILL BE
DIVIDED INTO AGE GROUPS

- 🌸 0-4 WITH 1 ADULT
- 🌸 5-9 YEARS OLD
- 🌸 10 AND UP

Bennie Deigel
Baseball Complex

1944 Parkview Pl
Ingleside, TX

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AGENDA ITEM: 6.c

Report on Garden Center building remodeling project.

SUBMITTED BY: Gary Paredez, Director of Infrastructure Services

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

As the Garden Center remodel begins, the contractor has started removing a portion of the outer skin from the building and is working on remodeling the restroom area. The project calls for the entire building to be remodeled inside and out. The original framework was inspected and determined to be in good condition. All the improvements that were needed were cosmetic, both on the inside and the outside. The one remodel that was necessary on the inside was to move a wall to accommodate the ADA requirements for the restrooms. The Notice to Proceed was reissued on December 9th, 2024 due to delays related to ADA compliance issues. The contract provides a period of 180 calendar days for completion, which would put the Substantial Completion date no later than June 6th, 2025.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

This project was contracted at \$333,359.50. Funds for this project were provided from the FY21 Bond and budgeted for \$525,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A Informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Garden Center



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AGENDA ITEM: 6.d

Report on digital signs for the HWY 1069 by the Police Department, and HWY 361 at N.O. Simmons Park.

SUBMITTED BY: Gary Paredez, Director of Infrastructure Services

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

The City Council approved the purchase of two digital marquee signs to facilitate communicating with the residents on local events and emergency notifications. One sign was to be placed on 8th St between the Police Department and Kinney Bayou giving maximum visibility to traffic traveling on HWY 1069. The second sign is slated to be installed at N.O. Simmons Park just inside the fence located at HWY 361, giving maximum visibility for people traveling through Ingleside. The sign by the PD has been received and is at Public Works awaiting the sign company contractors to install the sign. Electricity has been installed and ready to connect to the sign. The second sign is currently in production and should be received soon.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The HWY 1069 sign was purchased with City Council discretionary funds in the amount of \$39,993.82 and the HWY 361 sign was purchased with Ingleside Development Corporation (IDC) funds in the amount of \$41,810.36.

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A. Informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM: 6.e

Report on Street Maintenance Program.

SUBMITTED BY: Gary Paredez, Director of Infrastructure Services

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

The City Council requested the Street Committee to provide a list of street candidates to be seal-coated. The committee met and gave the City Council a list of 20 potential candidates. The City Council selected 5 streets: Big Oak Ln, 3rd St, Munson St, Pen Oak, and Hargus St to be seal-coated. Garrett Paving Construction was awarded the contract to seal-coat these streets. The project began October, 2023. Work began with the preparing of the surface of the streets to receive the seal coat layer. During this time, due to weather and mechanical breakdowns the project was postponed. The project resumed the middle of February where the first coat was applied to the streets. The second coat is slated to be done on March 7th, or the following week. The next 15 streets will be presented for the City Council to select the next 5 streets to seal-coat.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Funds for this project are being funded by Fund 28 which is the street maintenance tax fund. The project amount awarded for this was \$487,071.40.

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A Informational purposes only.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Suggested list of streets by Street Maintenance Committee

Suggested list of streets by Street Maintenance Committee

First 5 streets by Garrett Paving:

1. Big Oak Lane (from 1st to 4th St.)

2. 3rd Street (1069 to Ave K)

3. Munson Street (1st St.)

4. Blaschke (replaced with Hargus)

5. Pen Oak

Next 15 to be chosen from:

1. Hackberry

2. Kelly Ln

3. Cardinal

4. Live oak Park Ent

5. Dallas

6. Waco

7. Green Briar

8. 7th (B to 1069)

9. 5th (B to 1069)

10. Lee

11. 4th (A to city Limits)

12. San Angelo (West Main to Waco)

13. Oklahoma

14. Alvin Moore (school to Ave B)

(Alternates- Capeheart, Eastwind, Tiner)

The first 5 streets completed by the County were as follows:

1. Elizabeth
2. Avenue G
3. 2nd St
4. 6th St
5. Pace St

These streets were done by the county with the City providing the materials at an approximate cost of \$200,000.00. The streets being done by Garrett Paving was done at an approximate cost of \$500,000.00. Total maintenance money spent so far is approximately \$700,000.00.

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AGENDA ITEM: 7

Ingleside Public Library Award Presentation.

SUBMITTED BY: Belinda Casanova, Director of Library Services

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

The Achievement of Library Excellence Award is open to Texas Public Library Directors and the library they represent and open only to current members of Texas Municipal Library Directors Association. To successfully receive the Achievement of Library Excellence Award, the applicant must complete all ten service categories, but does not need to provide all services indicated in each service category but should include an example of at least one program that represents each of the ten categories.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

RECOMMENDATION:

Award presentation by Director, Belinda Casanova

ATTACHMENTS:

1. TMLDA Award Congratulations Letter 2024-Ingleside
2. TMLDA Award Plaque
3. 2024 Award presentation



February 6, 2025

Belinda Casanova
2775 Waco Street
Ingleside, TX

Dear Belinda Casanova,

Congratulations to the Ingleside Public Library! On behalf of the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association, I am pleased to inform you that you have been awarded the 2024 Achievement of Excellence in Libraries Award.

Your application clearly demonstrated your commitment to providing exceptional service to your community. Of the 542 public library systems in Texas, your library is one of only 102 who have earned this year's award. With this honor, your library is now in the top 19% of all public libraries in the state.

We know you will want to proudly display your accolades, which include a congratulatory letter, a digital medal and an award template that can be used to order a plaque. The digital medal is an image file that can be used (but not altered) on websites, email signatures, stationery, and other official library promotional materials. The digital image can be made to be clickable to the TMLDA award site or to a page displaying your accomplishment and/or completed application.

Again, congratulations on this accomplishment, and thank you for enriching the lives of your residents and providing your community with outstanding and innovative services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia Pfledderer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cynthia Pfledderer
President, Texas Municipal Library Directors Association





2024
**Achievement of Excellence in
Libraries Award**

Presented to:

Ingleside Public Library



Awarded by

**Texas Municipal Library
Directors Association**



Ingleside Public Library

Awarded the 2024
Achievement of
Excellence in Libraries
Award!

Be Kind to your Neighbor Day!



Collaborated Efforts



New, Unique, or Enhanced Services



Other Services

Literacy Support



San Patricio County Adult
Literacy Council class in session

Cultural, Topical, Educational Event



Dia de los Muertos ofrenda
Day of the Dead offering altar

Workforce Development



Providing Exceptional Service to Our Community





Thank you!

Any Questions?

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AGENDA ITEM: 8

Presentation to recognize Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Barbara Gregg.

SUBMITTED BY: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

The City of Ingleside would like to recognize Barbara Gregg for her exceptional service as the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Executive Director. Barbara has diligently advocated for business interests and the community by networking, finding resources, influencing legislators to support businesses within the City of Ingleside and San Patricio County.

Barabara Gregg directed and organized a variety of community events through the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce such as LULO, Round Up Days, Trashion Fashion, Ingleside Renaissance Faire, Ingleside Crawfish Cook-Off, Ingleside Smokin Jazz & BBQ Cookoff, Best of the Bay Fishing Tournament, Leading Ladies Gala, and ribbon cuttings for new local businesses that partnered with the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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AGENDA ITEM: 9

Deliberate and take appropriate action on the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2025.

SUBMITTED BY: Jana Stork, City Secretary

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

Please see the accompanying Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2025.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Council approve the Minutes, as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025, 02-25 Regular Council Meeting Minutes_DRAFT

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 25, 2025**

Opening Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order.

The Regular City Council Meeting of the City of Ingleside was called to order by Council Member John Salinas at 6:30 p.m. on February 25, 2025, at City Hall 2671 San Angelo Ave., Ingleside, TX and live video streaming.

2. Roll Call.

With Council Members present, at roll call, a quorum was established.

Council Members Present: Steve Diehl, Stewart Wilson, David Pruitt, John Salinas, and Julio Salinas.

Council Members Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Tracy Long and Mayor Oscar Adame.

3. Invocation.

Council Member Pruitt led the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

City Manager Lewis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

5. Citizen Comments and Reports.

Sarah Crumbley, 2480 Henrietta, addressed the Council about her opinion on the YaREN Project, potential on the bay, carbon capture being new technology, and encouraging the citizens and Council Members to visit the YaREN office.

Dennis Peacock, 545 South 10th St., Aransas Pass, addressed the Council about light industrial zoning, industrial versus residential zoning, special use permit, blanket use zone, and potential use for growth and development.

Cindy Wilson, 2635 San Angelo, addressed the Council about the RFQ Feasibility Study, and how the study needs to be done for all City buildings.

Sarah Palanco, 1350 Indian Trail, addressed the Council about the issues with her property, meeting with City officials, being informed to seek legal counsel to help understand the

City Code of Ordinances, and the need for a voice from Council Members regarding the issue she is facing when it comes to her property.

Charles Boone, 468 Sunset, Ingleside on the Bay, addressed the Council about the Ingleside on the Bay Coastal Watch Association Mission Statement, the amount of industrial growth, San Patricio County Economic Development Corporation giving a presentation on August 22, 2022, and industrialization.

Lucia Dailey, 619 E. Ave B, Port Aransas, addressed the Council about the handout she provided to Council Members for Germany needing natural gas, and encouraged the Council not to take the bullying from bigger corporations.

6. Staff Comments and Reports.

a. Council Comments and Reports.

City Manager Lewis stated that the Animal Control Facility had its Grand Opening earlier that day, and that the City was given a plaque in recognition for support from the Mustang Youth Basketball Association.

b. Announcements of Community Interest and/or upcoming events.

No discussion was held on this matter.

c. City of Ingleside expenditures paid over \$3,000.00 for the period of January 2025.

No discussion was held on this matter.

d. City of Ingleside monthly financial report as of January 2025.

No discussion was held on this matter.

e. Report on Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about the Wastewater Treatment Plant project, having to go out for rebids, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), knowing that the actual cost will increase, TWDB loan and possible Certificates of Obligations, having a tremendous staff working to keep the infrastructure up, the capacity percentage drives the timeline of the project, and once bids come in the amount shouldn't change.

Presentations

7. Ingleside Public Library Award Presentation.

City Manager Lewis informed Council that the presentation for the Ingleside Public Library Award should be tabled to the next meeting due to the Director of Library Services not being present for personal matters.

Consent Agenda

8. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2025.

Motion: Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

Public Hearing

No Public Hearing was presented for this meeting.

Regular Agenda

9. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the awarding of the Live Oak Solar Lighting project to Fonroche Lighting America.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about the map in the proposal, where the light fixtures would be placed, possible future additional lighting projects, the need to secure the park with lighting, disc golf being played at night, what would happen if there was limited sunlight, how far the poles will be off the road, re-evaluating what else can be done after project completion, and the project being budgeted for \$250,000 while the proposal is for \$207,000.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to approve the awarding of the Live Oak Solar Lighting project to Fonroche Lighting America. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion.

Further discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about the amount of cost for the project.

Amended Motion: Council Member John Salinas amended his motion to approve the awarding of the Live Oak Solar Lighting project to Fonroche Lighting America to not exceed the budgeted amount of \$250,000. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

10. Deliberate and take appropriate action for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to advertise for and receive Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for grant management services.

Discussion was held between Council Members and City Manager Lewis about advertising for grant management services.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to authorize the City Manager to advertise for and receive Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for grant management services. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

11. Deliberate and take appropriate action authorizing staff to advertise and receive Requests for Proposals (RFP) for installation and/or replacement of regulatory, directional, and information signs within the City of Ingleside.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredes about missing signs throughout the City, staff will need a detail listing of the signs missing, routine maintenance, time limit, have a budget that will be exceeded, and getting extras to keep in stock.

Motion: Council Member Diehl made a motion to authorize staff to advertise and receive Requests for Proposals (RFP) for installation and/or replacement of regulatory, directional, and informational signs within the City of Ingleside. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

12. Deliberate and take appropriate action for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to advertise Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering for maintenance of the City of Ingleside water towers.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredes about the water towers needing to have general maintenance done, the water tower in the Public Works Yard being out of service since Hurricane Harvey and needing to put it back into service, and the project being budgeted in the Capital Improvement Project.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to authorize the City Manager to advertise Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering for maintenance of the City of Ingleside water towers. Council Member Diehl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4:1.

For Motion:	Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Pruitt, and Council Member John Salinas.
Against Motion:	Council Member Julio Salinas

Executive Session

13. Closed Session

City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

A. Deliberations pursuant to Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) and 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property) of the Texas Government Code regarding the negotiation of and potential purchase of water rights.

At 7:38 p.m. Council Member John Salinas convened the Ingleside City Council into a closed session pursuant to provision of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Deliberations pursuant to Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) and 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property) of the Texas Government Code regarding the negotiation of and potential purchase of water rights.

Mayor Adame arrived at the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

14. Open Session

City council will reconvene in Open Session at which time action on the matter(s) discussed in Closed Session may be considered.

A. Deliberations pursuant to Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) and 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property) of the Texas Government Code regarding the negotiation of and potential purchase of water rights.

At 8:03 p.m. Mayor Adame reconvened the Ingleside City Council into an open session pursuant to provision of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to take any action necessary related to the executive session noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.

Item A: No Action Taken.

Closing Agenda

15. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

Council Member Pruitt requested an update on the LED Signs projects.

Council Member John Salinas requested an update on the Garden Center.

Council Member Julio Salinas requested an update on street maintenance.

Mayor Adame requested an update on the lift stations.

16. Adjourn.

Mayor Adame adjourned the regular meeting of the City of Ingleside at 8:06 p.m.

APPROVED:

Pedro Oscar Adame, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jana Stork, City Secretary

DRAFT

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Regular Meeting: March 11, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: 10

Deliberate and take appropriate action on a Resolution by the City of Ingleside, Texas suspending the April 19, 2025 effective date of the proposal by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas - Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas, and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas, to implement interim GRIP rate adjustments for gas utility investment in 2024 and requiring delivery of this Resolution to the company and legal counsel.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas (CenterPoint or the Company) made an Interim Rate Adjustment or “GRIP” filing with the cities in the Company’s Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas, and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas. The Company is seeking recovery of \$654,119,475 in invested capital. The current filing will increase rates to residential customers by \$2.88 per month. This will increase the current residential customer charge from \$19.50 to \$22.38 per month in the Houston and Texas Coast Geographic Rate Areas and \$25.00 to \$27.88 per month in the South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas Geographic Rate Areas.

Under the GRIP statute, cities may not challenge the Company’s request. The only action you may take is to suspend the effective date of the rate increase by 45 days.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The increase is currently scheduled to go into effect on April 19, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the passage of the Resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025, 02-19 Hand Delivered Letter_CenterPoint Energy 2025 Annual GRIP
2. 2025 CenterPoint Energy GRIP Suspension Resolution



February 18, 2025

CenterPoint Energy
1111 Louisiana Street
Houston, TX 77002-5231
P.O. Box 2628
Houston, TX 77252-2628

Mayor and City Council
City of Ingleside
Ingleside, Texas

Hand-Delivered

Re: CenterPoint Energy 2025 Annual GRIP Adjustment for the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas Geographic Rate Areas

Dear Madam or Sir:

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas ("CenterPoint" or the "Company"), files the tariffs and supporting documents, in electronic form, with the City of Ingleside ("City") consistent with Section 7.7101 of the Railroad Commission of Texas ("Commission") Gas Services Division Rules and Section 104.301 of the Texas Utilities Code to establish the annual gas reliability infrastructure program ("GRIP") interim rate adjustment ("IRA") for the Company's Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas, which includes the City. The proposed IRA will affect rates for natural gas service customers located in the City. Simultaneously with this filing, CenterPoint makes the same GRIP filing with the Commission for customers located in the City's environs and cities of the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas that have ceded original jurisdiction to the Commission.

CenterPoint consistently supplies its customers in the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas with safe and dependable natural gas service by prudently investing in additions and upgrades to its delivery system. The Company will continue to prudently invest in its infrastructure in order to improve its natural gas service to its customers and to anticipate and meet their needs under all operating conditions. The GRIP program enables a gas utility such as CenterPoint to begin recovery of its incremental capital investment in the system, subject to a prudence review in its next rate case. This reduces regulatory lag and incentivizes needed investment. Consistent with Section 104.301 of the Texas Utilities Code and Commission precedent, the City's review of this GRIP filing is limited to a ministerial review to ensure compliance with the GRIP statute.

Pursuant to applicable law, the proposed IRA will become effective on April 19, 2025, unless the City suspends that date for a period of no longer than forty-five (45) days. The approved IRA will be applied to the monthly customer charge and will remain in effect until superseded by the earlier of (1) the effective date of the Company's next annual GRIP adjustment for the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas; or (2) the issuance of

a final order in a rate setting proceeding for the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas.

As detailed in the attached schedules and supporting material, the Company invested \$654,119,475 in its Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas from October 2023 through December 2024 and the applicable IRA is:

TABLE 1 - Houston and Texas Coast Geographic Rate Areas

Rate Schedule	Current Customer Charge	Proposed 2025 Interim Rate Adjustment	Adjusted Charge	Increase Per Bill
R-2099-I-GRIP 2025; R-2099-U-GRIP 2025 Residential	\$19.50 per customer per month	\$2.88 per customer per month	\$22.38 per customer per month	\$2.88 per customer per month
GSS-2099-I-GRIP 2025; GSS-2099-U-GRIP 2025 General Service Small	\$30.00 per customer per month	\$5.14 per customer per month	\$35.14 per customer per month	\$5.14 per customer per month
GSLV-630-I-GRIP 2025; GSLV-630-U-GRIP 2025 General Service Large Volume	\$390.00 per customer per month	\$61.20 per customer per month	\$451.20 per customer per month	\$61.20 per customer per month

TABLE 2 – South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas Geographic Rate Areas

Rate Schedule	Current Customer Charge	Proposed 2025 Interim Rate Adjustment	Adjusted Charge	Increase Per Bill
R-2099-I-GRIP 2025; R-2099-U-GRIP 2025 Residential	\$25.00 per customer per month	\$2.88 per customer per month	\$27.88 per customer per month	\$2.88 per customer per month
GSS-2099-I-GRIP 2025; GSS-2099-U-GRIP 2025 General Service Small	\$48.00 per customer per month	\$5.14 per customer per month	\$53.14 per customer per month	\$5.14 per customer per month
GSLV-630-I-GRIP 2025; GSLV-630-U-GRIP 2025 General Service Large Volume	\$230.00 per customer per month	\$61.20 per customer per month	\$291.20 per customer per month	\$61.20 per customer per month

Along with and in support of the proposed IRA, CenterPoint includes the following:

- (a) An earnings monitoring report showing the Company's earnings for the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas during the 2024 calendar year (under the "Earnings Monitoring Report" section of the enclosed filing).
- (b) An Interim Rate Adjustment Application containing accounting schedules and project reports for the GRIP Adjustment Period including a description of (i) the projects undertaken during the GRIP Adjustment Period (ii) the investment to provide utility service in the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas, which were both completed and placed in service during the GRIP Adjustment Period, (iii) the Company's prior utility investments in the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas that were either retired or abandoned during the GRIP Adjustment Period, and (iv) the cost, need and customers benefited by those investments and retirements located in IRAs 12, 13, 14 and 15 which are voluminous and are being provided in electronic form only.
- (c) The Company's calculations of the GRIP Adjustment amount to go into effect on the later of the Planned Effective Date or the end of any suspension period imposed (under the "Interim Rate Adjustment Application" section of the enclosed filing).
- (d) Affidavits by Kristie Colvin, Terri Wilson Lester and Brad Tutunjian (under the "Affidavits" section of the enclosed filing).
 - Ms. Colvin's affidavit verifies (i) that the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas' books and records are kept in accordance with the rules of the Commission and (ii) that the reports enclosed accurately reflect the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas' books and records related to the information in those reports.
 - Ms. Lester's affidavit verifies the notice of the GRIP filing through customer bill inserts.
 - Mr. Tutunjian's affidavit concerns the reimbursement of relocation expenses.

In addition, the source documentation and workpapers supporting the data and calculations contained in the foregoing reports is maintained in CenterPoint's electronic databases which are available for review. To schedule an opportunity to review the electronic databases or any hardcopy project files related to the new investment or retirements, please contact me at (713) 207-5946.

Notice of this proceeding will be provided to affected customers in the Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas by bill insert or by separate mailing within 45 days after the date of this filing in accordance with the applicable law.

Please accept for filing the above-mentioned tariffs, filing package and enclosures and return the enclosed copy of this letter with your file mark thereon to acknowledge such filings for our records. Instead of a binder with a hard copy of the filing, the Company has provided the equivalent in electronic form in the folder called Electronic Copy of Filing.

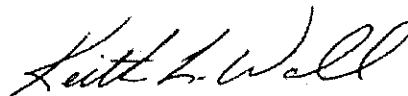
Although only the incorporated tariffs are applicable to the City, the Company has also included in its filing package both incorporated and unincorporated tariffs.

If the City takes any action regarding this filing, please send signed documents, such as, ordinances, resolutions and minutes to the following address:

Keith L. Wall
1111 Louisiana Street
CNP Tower 19th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have regarding this filing.

Sincerely,



Keith L. Wall
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

cc: Mr. Brad Tutunjian
Mr. Darrell Williams
Ms. Gracy Rodriguez

DELIVERED TO:

_____, _____ of
NAME OFFICE (Mayor, City Secretary, etc.)

the City of Ingleside on this _____ day of February 2025.

SIGNATURE

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XX

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF INGLESIDE, TEXAS SUSPENDING THE APRIL 19, 2025 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE PROPOSAL BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS – HOUSTON, TEXAS COAST, SOUTH TEXAS, AND BEAUMONT/EAST TEXAS GEOGRAPHIC RATE AREAS, TO IMPLEMENT INTERIM GRIP RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR GAS UTILITY INVESTMENT IN 2024 AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

WHEREAS, the City of Ingleside, Texas (“City”) is a gas utility customer of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas – Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas, and Beaumont/East Texas geographic rate areas (CenterPoint or Company) and is a regulatory authority with an interest in the rates and charges of CenterPoint; and

WHEREAS, CenterPoint made filings with the City and the Railroad Commission of Texas (“Railroad Commission”) on February 18, 2025, proposing to implement interim rate adjustments (“GRIP Rate Increases”) pursuant to Texas Utilities Code § 104.301 on all customers served by CenterPoint, effective April 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the City, as a regulatory authority, to examine the GRIP Rate Increases to determine its compliance with the Texas Utilities Code.

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

1. The April 19, 2025 effective date of the GRIP Rate Increases proposed by CenterPoint is hereby suspended for the maximum period allowed by Texas Utilities Code § 104.301(a) to permit adequate time to review the proposed increases, analyze all necessary information, and take appropriate action related to the proposed increases.
2. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to CenterPoint, care of Keith L. Wall at 1111 Louisiana Street, CNP Tower 19th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, and to Jamie Mauldin, legal counsel to the City, at Lloyd Gosselink, 816 Congress Ave., Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of March, 2025 by __ (ayes) to __ (nays) with __ abstentions by a vote of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas.

CITY OF INGLESIDE, TEXAS

Pedro Oscar Adame, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jana Stork, City Secretary

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Regular Meeting: March 11, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: 11

Deliberate and take appropriate action on first reading of an Ordinance amending the City of Ingleside, Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook, Section 2 – Employee Responsibilities, 2.T. Ethics Policy; Providing Effective Date, Reading, Severance, and Publication.

SUBMITTED BY: Leticia Mejia, Director of Human Resources

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: Brenton Lewis, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

The proposed ordinance is being placed before the Council for consideration regarding amending the City of Ingleside Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook, Section 2 – Employee Responsibilities, 2.T. Ethics Policy; Providing Effective Date, Reading, Severance, and Publication.

An ethical policy is fundamental to ensuring that all employees are held to the same standard, are aware of their rights and responsibilities, know what is expected of them in terms of behavior and decision-making, and feel respected and valued in the workplace. It sets out the values that employees should adhere to while also protecting the organization's brand reputation by minimizing unethical conduct within their ranks. Moreover, an effective ethics policy promotes meaningful conversations around topics such as conflict resolution, harassment prevention or privacy requirements - helping to ensure that every employee has clarity on how they should handle any situation they might face at work.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

RECOMMENDATION:

A well-crafted policy can create a positive workplace culture, protect the organization from legal issues or liability and foster respect for employees. Staff recommends Council to approve the Ethics Policy to move forward to the second reading on the next agenda.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ORDINANCE NO. 2025-XX PP&P 2.T. Ethics Policy

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-XX

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF INGLESIDE, PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES HANDBOOK, SECTION 2 – EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES, 2.T. ETHICS POLICY; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE, READING, SEVERANCE, AND PUBLICATION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLESIDE, COUNTY OF SAN PATRICIO, STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. Amendment. City of Ingleside, Personnel Policies and Procedures Handbook, Section 2 – Employee Responsibilities, 2.T. Ethics Policy is hereby amended to read as follows, with all amendments indicated in red font with removals indicated by a single line strikethrough and new additions underlined.

I. Policy & Purpose

The City of Ingleside expects all employees to conduct the City of Ingleside's business with integrity and to comply with all applicable laws in a manner that excludes considerations of personal advantage or gain.

II. General Rules

A. Gifts, Favors, and Payments by the Company

Gifts, favors, and payments may be given to others at the City of Ingleside's expense, if they meet all the following criteria:

- They are consistent with accepted business practices.
- They are of sufficiently limited value and in a form that will not be construed as a bribe or payoff.
- They are not in violation of applicable law and generally accepted ethical standards.
- Public disclosure of the facts will not embarrass the City of Ingleside.

Payments, commissions, or other compensation to or for the benefit of employees of customers (or their family members or associates) not required by written contract are contrary to this policy.

B. Gifts, Favors, Entertainment and Payments Received by City Employees

Employees shall not seek or accept for themselves or others any gifts, favors, entertainment or payments without a legitimate business purpose from any person or business organization that does or seeks to do business with the City of Ingleside.

Employees may accept for themselves, and members of their families' common courtesies usually associated with customary business practices. These include but are not limited to:

- Lunch and/or dinner with vendors sometimes, including spouses as long as the invitation is extended by the vendor.
- Gifts of small value from vendors such as calendars, pens, pads, etc.
- Tickets to events (sports, arts, etc.) are acceptable if offered by the vendor and the vendor accompanies the employee to the event. These are not to be solicited by the city employee and must be approved by the City Manager.
- Overnight outings are acceptable under the condition that individuals from either other companies or the vendor are in attendance. The employee must have prior approval from the City Manager.
- The receipt of alcoholic beverages is discouraged.
- Gifts of perishable items usually given during the holidays such as hams, cookies, nuts, etc., are acceptable.

A strict standard is expected with respect to gifts, services, discounts, entertainment, or considerations of any kind from suppliers.

- Day outings such as golf, fishing and hunting are acceptable with prior approval from the City Manager. The vendor must be in attendance and participation by the employee's family members is not acceptable.
- Use of vendor's facilities (vacation homes, etc.) by employees or their families for personal use is prohibited. In the event the vendor is present for the duration of the visit such a situation is acceptable if it is only once per year and for a limited duration (i.e., a long weekend.) The employee must have prior approval from the City Manager.
- It is never permissible to accept a gift in cash or cash equivalent such as stocks or other forms of marketable securities of any amount.

Management employees should not accept gifts from those under their supervision of more than limited value.

III. Conflicts of Interest

Employees should avoid any situation which involves or may involve a conflict between their personal interest and the interest of the city. As in all other facets of their duties, employees dealing with customers, suppliers, contractors, competitors, or any person doing or seeking to do business with the city are to act in the best interest of the city. Each employee shall make prompt and full disclosure in writing to their department director of any potential situation which may involve a conflict of interest.

Such conflicts include:

- Ownership by an employee or by a member of their family of a significant interest in any outside enterprise which does or seeks to do business with the city.
- Serving as a director, officer, partner, consultant, or in a managerial or technical capacity with an outside enterprise which does or is seeking to do business with the City of Ingleside. Exceptions to this can be approved by the City Manager.
- Acting as a broker, finder, go-between or otherwise for the benefit of a third party in transactions involving or potentially involving the City of Ingleside or its interests.
- Any other arrangements or circumstances, including family or other personal relationships, which might dissuade the employee from acting in the best interest of the city.

IV. **Confidential Information**

The revelation or use of any confidential product information, data on decisions, plans, or any other information which might be contrary to the interest of the city without prior authorization, is prohibited. The misuse, unauthorized access to, or mishandling of confidential information, particularly personnel information, is strictly prohibited and will subject an employee to discipline up to and including immediate discharge.

V. **Compliance**

Any violation of this policy will subject the employee to disciplinary action or immediate discharge. Any City of Ingleside employee having knowledge of any violation of this policy shall promptly report such violation to the appropriate level of management.

Section 2. Effective Date. As provided by Article III, Section 3.11C of the Charter of the City of Ingleside, this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption and, in addition, if any penalty, fine or forfeiture is imposed by this ordinance, then this ordinance shall be effective only after publication of this ordinance in its entirety or in summary form once in the official newspaper of the City of Ingleside.

Section 3. Reading. As provided by Article III, Section 3.11.B of the Charter of the City of Ingleside, this ordinance or the caption of it shall be read at two City Council meetings with at least two weeks elapsing between each reading.

Section 4. Severance. If any part of this ordinance is invalid or void or is declared to be so, then said part shall be severed from the balance of this ordinance and said invalidity shall not affect the balance of this ordinance, the balance of the ordinance to be read as if said invalid or void portion thereof were not included.

Section 5. Publication. As provided by Article III. Section 3.11C, this ordinance shall be published one time in the official newspaper of the City of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, which publication shall contain the caption of this ordinance stating in substance the purposes of same.

PASSED, ORDAINED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this __day of March, 2025.

CITY OF INGLESIDE, TEXAS

Pedro Oscar Adame, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jana Stork, City Secretary

First Reading: 03/11/2025

Second Reading: 00/00/0000