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AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 674 (NATURAL GAS) OF THE CODE OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS BY ADOPTING REVISED SCHEDULES FOR NATURAL GAS TO BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND REPEALING AND REVOKING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES AND AMENDMENTS RELATING TO NATURAL GAS

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas, that Chapter 40 – Utilities, of the Code of Municipal Ordinances of the City of Carrizo Springs is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION I:** To promote system-wide equity and nonsubsidized cost allocation and recovery, **Section 40-187 of Chapter 40** - Utilities of the Code of Municipal Ordinances of the City of Carrizo Springs is hereby amended to establish new natural gas rates, effective **OCTOBER 1**<sup>st</sup>, 2024, and each **OCTOBER 1**st thereafter, as follows:

## Ordinance No. 852. Section 40-187. Natural Gas Rate Schedules Established

For each defined Customer Class, monthly bills shall be comprised of the following three components: a minimum charge, a base consumption charge, and a purchased fuel adjustment charge.

(1) Minimum Charges will be assessed to all active accounts irrespective of consumption.

(2) Base Consumption Charges are designed to partially recover the City's administrative and distribution costs related to delivering natural gas to retail customers.

(3) Purchased Fuel Adjustment Charges ("PFACs") are designed to fully recover the City's cost of purchased wholesale natural gas. The PFAC shall be established in the wholesale billing statement provided by the City's natural gas provider for the corresponding billing month.

(4) The sum of the Base Consumption Charge and the PFAC shall be applied to the customer's meted consumption for the purpose of calculating the customer's monthly bill. The sum of the customer's minimum charge, consumption charge, and purchased fuel adjustment charge will equal the total amount payable.

(5) Billed consumption shall be based on metered natural gas consumption converted into therms. This conversion shall be calculated each month by multiplying the metered natural gas consumption expressed in CCFs, or hundreds of cubic feet, by the energy factor of the natural gas, which is provided by the City's Wholesale Natural Gas Provider in its corresponding monthly statement. Therm billing will enable the City's natural gas customers to pay for the heating value of their natural gas, not the volume of gas used.

The following tables illustrate the scheduled natural gas minimum charge and base consumption charge adjustments that will begin on October 1, 2024 and continue every year that follows through October 2028.

			Effective:				
		Current	10/1/24	10/1/25	10/1/26	10/1/27	10/1/28
Residential							
Min. Charge - 0 CCF							
Sched 210		\$16.47	\$18.08	\$19.68	\$21.29	\$22.89	\$24.5
Consumption Charge - CCF							
0	1	\$0.88	\$0.92	\$0.96	\$1.01	\$1.06	\$1.1
1	1	\$0.88	\$0.92	\$0.96	\$1.01	\$1.06	\$1.1
1	2	\$0.88	\$0.92	\$0.96	\$1.01	\$1.06	\$1.1
2	2	\$0.88	\$0.92	\$0.96	\$1.01	\$1.06	\$1.1
2	3	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
3	5	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
5	10	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
10	15	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
15	20	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
20	30	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
30	40	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
40	50	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
50	100	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
100	150	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.9
150	Greater	\$0.75	\$0.79	\$0.83	\$0.87	\$0.91	\$0.90

## CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS PROPOSED NATURAL GAS RATES:

Effective:										
		Current	10/1/24	10/1/25	10/1/26	10/1/27	10/1/28			
Commercial										
Min. Charge - 0 CCF										
Sched 211		\$38.34	\$42.47	\$46.60	\$50.73	\$54.87	\$59.0			
Consumption Charge - CCF										
0	1	\$0.88	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.04	\$1.10	\$1.1			
1	1	\$0.88	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.04	\$1.10	\$1.1			
1	2	\$0.88	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.04	\$1.10	\$1.1			
2	2	\$0.88	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.04	\$1.10	\$1.1			
2	3	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
3	5	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
5	10	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
10	15	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
15	20	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
20	30	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
30	40	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
40	50	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.01			
50	100	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
100	150	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.0			
150	Greater	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.84	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$1.01			

**SECTION II:** Should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional.

**SECTION III:** 

That ordinance shall take effect on October 1, 2024.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS**, at a regular meeting called and held at City Hall in the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024 and conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, et seq.

Signed this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS

Oscar E. Puente, Mayor

**ATTEST:** 

rr Melissa M. Guerra, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

**Bobby Maldonado, City Attorney** 

