



**SEAGOVILLE, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022**

**City Council Chambers, City Hall
702 N. Hwy 175
Seagoville, Texas 75159**

REGULAR SESSION - 1:00 P.M.

ROUTINE ANNOUNCEMENTS, RECOGNITIONS, and PROCLAMATIONS

Call to Order

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Report

- 1. Discuss and consider approving a Resolution of the City of Seagoville, Texas, authorizing continued participation with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee; and authorizing the payment of five cents (\$0.05) per capita to the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to fund regulatory and related activities related to Atmos Energy Corporation; and requiring delivery of this Resolution and approved assessment fee to legal counsel for the steering committee (Director of Administrative Services)**

2. Recess into Executive Session

Council will recess into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code:

- A. § 551.074. Personnel, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee to wit: Presiding Municipal Court Judge**

3. Reconvene Into Regular Session

Council will reconvene into open session, and take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

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Adjourn

Posted Friday, June 10, 2022, by 1:00 P.M.


Kandi Jackson, City Secretary



As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed executive session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.

The City of Seagoville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. If you have a request for services that will make this program accessible to you, please contact the City of Seagoville at least 72 hours in advance at (972) 287-6819. (TDD access 1-800-RELAY-TX)

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Monday, June 27, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting**
- **Monday, July 11, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting**
- **Monday, July 18, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting**
- **Monday, August 1, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting**

Regular Session Agenda Item: 1

Meeting Date: June 13, 2022

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Discuss and consider approving a Resolution of the City of Seagoville, Texas, authorizing continued participation with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee; and authorizing the payment of five cents (\$0.05) per capita to the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to fund regulatory and related activities related to Atmos Energy Corporation; and requiring delivery of this Resolution and approved assessment fee to legal counsel for the steering committee.

BACKGROUND OF ISSUE:

The City of Seagoville is a regulatory authority under the Gas Utility Regulatory Act (GURA) and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division (Atmos) within its municipal boundaries. Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) has historically intervened in Atmos rate proceedings and gas utility related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and gas customers residing within the City. For ACSC to continue its participation in these activities which affects the provision of gas utility service and the rates to be charged, it must assess its members for such costs.

Most municipalities have retained original jurisdiction over gas utility rates and services within municipal limits. The Atmos Cities Steering Committee (“ACSC”) is composed of 178 municipalities in the service area of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division that have retained original jurisdiction. Atmos is a monopoly provider of natural gas. Because Atmos has no competitors, regulation of the rates that it charges its customers is the only way that cities can ensure that natural gas rates are fair. Working as a coalition to review the rates charged by Atmos allows cities to accomplish more collectively than each city could do acting alone. Cities have more than 100 years experience in regulating natural gas rates in Texas.

ACSC is the largest coalition of cities served by Atmos Mid-Tex. There are 178 ACSC member cities, which represent more than 60 percent of the total load served by Atmos-Mid Tex. ACSC protects the authority of municipalities over the monopoly natural gas provider and defends the interests of residential and small commercial customers within the cities. Although many of the activities undertaken by ACSC are connected to rate cases (and therefore expenses are reimbursed by the utility), ACSC also undertakes additional activities on behalf of municipalities for which it needs funding support from its members.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$858.90

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

EXHIBITS

Resolution

THE CITY OF SEAGOVILLE, TEXAS

RESOLUTION NO. ___ - R - 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEAGOVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FIVE CENTS (\$0.05) PER CAPITA TO THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS RESOLUTION AND APPROVED ASSESSMENT FEE TO LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE STEERING COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, the City of Seagoville is a regulatory authority under the Gas Utility Regulatory Act (GURA) and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division (Atmos) within the municipal boundaries of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) has historically intervened in Atmos rate proceedings and gas utility related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and gas customers residing within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, ACSC is participating in Railroad Commission dockets and projects, as well as court proceedings and legislative activities, affecting gas utility rates; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of ACSC; and

WHEREAS, in order for ACSC to continue its participation in these activities which affects the provision of 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 SEAGOVILLE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City is authorized to continue its membership with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to protect the interests of the City of Seagoville and protect the interests of the customers of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division residing and conducting business within the City limits.

SECTION 2. The City is further authorized to pay its 2022 assessment to the ACSC in the amount of five cents (\$0.05) per capita.

SECTION 3. A copy of this Resolution and approved assessment fee payable to “*Atmos Cities Steering Committee*” shall be sent to:

Brandi Stigler
Atmos Cities Steering Committee
c/o Arlington City Attorney’s Office, Mail Stop 63-0300
101 S. Mesquite St., Suite 300
Arlington, Texas 76010

PRESENTED AND PASSED on this the 13TH day of June 2022, by a vote of _____ ayes and _____ nays at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas.

APPROVED:

Dennis K. Childress, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kandi Jackson, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Victoria Thomas, City Attorney
(/cdb 06/10/2022)

City of Arlington, c/o Atmos Cities Steering Committee
 Attn: Brandi Stigler
 101 S. Mesquite St., Ste 300
 MS #63-0300
 Arlington, TX 76010

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
1/4/2022	22-138

Bill To
City of Seagoville

Item	Population	Per Capita	Amount
2021 Membership Assessment	17,178	0.05	858.90

Please make check payable to: Atmos Cities Steering Committee and mail to Atmos Cities Steering Committee, Attn: Brandi Stigler, Arlington City Attorney's Office, 101 S. Mesquite St., Ste 300, MS #63-0300, Arlington, Texas 76010	Total	\$858.90
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Executive Session Agenda Item: 2

Meeting Date: June 13, 2022

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RECOMMENDATION:

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