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City of El Paso Secures Electric Bill Savings for Residents

State Decision Prevents Potential Double Charges, Delivers \$10.4 Million in Ratepayer Relief

EL PASO, Texas—The El Paso City Council received an update today on a recent Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) decision that will provide near-term relief for El Paso Electric customers.

The PUC rejected a request that could have increased costs for ratepayers. The City of El Paso raised concerns during the review process, and the Commission agreed.

The PUC's decision prevents approximately \$10.4 million in additional charges from being collected from customers between January and June 2026, resulting in average residential savings of about \$3.13 per month.

City officials raised concerns that the proposal could create a period of double recovery, where customers would pay for the same costs through two different mechanisms. The PUC agreed with the City's position and rejected the filing.

"This decision reflects the City's commitment to closely reviewing utility proposals with an eye toward protecting customers," said City Attorney Karla Nieman. "Our role is to help ensure rates are fair, transparent, and supported by the record. We appreciate the Commission's careful consideration, and this decision provides meaningful savings for families and businesses in the near term."

El Paso Electric had requested approval of a Distribution Cost Recovery Factor (DCRF) adjustment that would have generated an additional \$20.8 million annually from Texas customers.

While the PUC denied the current request, El Paso Electric may submit a new filing after its ongoing general rate case is completed, which could take effect later in 2026. The City will continue to monitor future filings and evaluate proposals to help ensure customers are protected from unnecessary or duplicative charges.

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