

BILL NO. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT A MINIMUM OF 4% RATE REDUCTION FOR ALL INDEPENDENCE POWER AND LIGHT CUSTOMERS STARTING AUGUST 1, 2019.

WHEREAS, the City has engaged Burns and McDonnell to complete an Electric Cost of Service and Rate Design Report; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has provided direction to the City Manager to take all steps necessary to ensure the electric utility rates remain competitive for Independence Power & Light customers; and,

WHEREAS, Section 3.17 of the City Charter mandates that the electric utility be run in a businesslike fashion and that any proceeds are to be applied to rate reductions; and,

WHEREAS, several major employers and many residential customers have expressed frustration with the current electric utility rate structure; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that a rate reduction is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and morals; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to immediately lower the electric utility rate with available savings while the final recommendations of the 2018 Electric Cost of Service and Rate Design Report is completed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is authorized and directed to implement a rate reduction for all Independence Power & Light Customers of at least 4% starting August 1, 2019.

SECTION 2. That the Public Utilities Advisory Board shall have the opportunity to review this action and make a recommendation to the City Council prior to August 1, 2019.

SECTION 3. That the City Manager is directed to report to the City Council on or before June 17, 2019 the cost saving measures that will be undertaken to account for the minimum 4% reduction in the Independence Power and Light Fund as well as the cost saving measures that will be undertaken to account for decrease Payment in Lieu of Taxes revenue in the General Fun.

PASSED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2019, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

4% Rate Reduction
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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager