

City of San Marcos

FY 2024 Electric Utility Rate Adjustment

September 19, 2023

Electric Utility



ELECTRIC UTILITY FUND				FY 2023 BUDGET			P	FY 2024 PROPOSED	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	14,222,675	\$	13,892,861	\$	13,892,861	\$	12,302,059	
Revenues	\$	66,296,364	\$	65,127,871	\$	64,459,494	\$	72,749,545	
Electric Services		59,565,580		60,947,985		59,910,009		69,350,335	
Other Revenue		6,730,784		4,179,886		4,549,485		3,399,210	
Expenses	\$	66,626,178	\$	67,491,283	\$	66,050,296	\$	73,971,594	
Personnel		6,115,920		8,283,928		6,872,941		8,684,169	
Operating		51,564,217		50,479,541		50,449,541		57,118,093	
Debt Service		5,135,693		6,311,583		6,311,583		6,946,357	
One-time		3,810,348		2,416,231		2,416,231		1,222,975	
Change in Fund Balance	\$	(329,814)	\$	(2,363,412)	\$	(1,590,802)	\$	(1,222,049)	
Ending Fund Balance	\$	13,892,861	\$	11,529,449	\$	12,302,059	\$	11,080,010	
	Days of Cash on Hand							55	
	Fu	nd Balance R	ese	erve Requiren	nen	t for 90 Days	\$	18,187,155	

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Electric Utility Major Revenue Changes



- Electric services base rate
 - Citizen Utility Advisory Board received a presentation on July 27,
 2023 on user rates for the electric system
 - Board voted unanimously for a minimum of a 5% rate adjustment to electric base rates
 - Board asked for a minimum of 5%, realizing the challenges to asking the community for a 10% rate adjustment to electric base rates
 - A 5% rate adjustment = 2% increase for the average monthly residential customer
 - A 10% rate adjustment = 3% for the average monthly residential customer

Electric Utility Major Expense Changes



Strategic Goal: Public Safety, Core Services, & Fiscal Excellence

Cost Drivers – Personnel

- Compensation study implementation = \$504K
- New Position Proposed in FY24 = \$109K
 - Meter Data Specialist

Cost Drivers – One-time

Replacing +2 bucket trucks with 3-year lead time = \$715K

Cost Drivers - Debt Service

Estimated new debt service for FY 2023 CIP = \$640K

FY24 Financial Status

Current rates are not adequate to cover budgeted expenses for FY24.

		FY24	Base Rate Revenue Increase							
Category (FY24 Budget)		Current Rates		5%		10%		15%		20%
Estimated Base Rate Revenues	а	\$ 22,228,856	\$	23,340,298	\$	24,451,741	\$	25,563,184	\$	26,674,627
PCRF Revenues	b	44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440
Total Retail Revenues	c = a + b	66,842,296		67,953,739		69,065,181		70,176,624		71,288,067
Other Revenues	d	5,642,026		5,642,026		5,642,026		5,642,026		5,642,026
Total Revenues at Current Rates	e = c + d	72,484,322		73,595,765		74,707,207		75,818,650		76,930,093
Purchased Power (Recovered in PCRF)	f	44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440		44,613,440
O&M Expense	g	16,501,650		16,501,650		16,501,650		16,501,650		16,501,650
Transfers Out	h	2,008,000		2,008,000		2,008,000		2,008,000		2,008,000
Franchise Fee (8% of Base and PCRF Revenues)	i	5,347,384		5,436,299		5,525,215		5,614,130		5,703,045
Total Expenses Excl. Debt Service	j = f + g + h + i	68,470,473		68,559,389		68,648,304		68,737,220		68,826,135
Available for Debt Service	k = e - j	4,013,849		5,036,376		6,058,903		7,081,431		8,103,958
Debt Service	1	7,000,888		7,000,888		7,000,888		7,000,888		7,000,888
Revenue (Deficiency)/Sufficiency	m = k - I	(2,987,040)		(1,964,512)		(941,985)		80,543		1,103,070
DSC Coverage	n = k / l	0.57		0.72		0.87		1.01		1.16









Proposed Rate Comparison

Residential Electric Comparison

Utility	50	0 kWh	1,0	000 kWh	1,500 kWh		
College Station (Oct. '22)	\$	73.38	\$	139.75	\$	206.13	
New Braunfels Utilities (Aug. '23)		78.62		137.24		195.86	
Austin (Nov. '23)		67.81		126.94		195.33	
Pedernales Electric Coop. (Oct. '23)		74.38		126.27		178.15	
CPS (San Antonio, Mar. '22)		63.48		126.09		190.77	
Bluebonnet Electric Coop. (June '23)		70.49		118.48		166.47	
Seguin (Oct. '22)		61.79		109.07		156.36	
San Marcos (Proposed)		59.43		108.10		156.77	
San Marcos (Current)		58.20		106.15		154.10	



Proposed Rate Comparison

Commercial Electric Comparison (5 kW)

Utility		00 kWh	1,0	000 kWh	1,500 kWh		
College Station (Oct. '22)	\$	86.25	\$	163.50	\$	343.20	
New Braunfels Utilities (Aug. '23)		84.29		139.53		305.25	
Pedernales Electric Coop. (Oct. '23)		86.17		134.84		280.84	
Bluebonnet Electric Coop. (June '23))	80.08		130.15		280.38	
Austin (Nov. '23)		80.74		126.47		263.68	
Seguin (Oct. '22)		79.27		123.54		256.35	
CPS (San Antonio, Mar. '22)		62.44		121.98		269.02	
San Marcos (Proposed)		61.43		110.26		256.76	
San Marcos (Current)		60.10		108.20		252.51	



Electric Utility Rate History



							FY24
	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	PROPOSED
Electric - Residential		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	*5.0%	0.0%	5.0%
Minimum Charge	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.25	10.25	10.76
Cost per kWh	0.02080	0.02080	0.02080	0.02080	0.02885	0.02885	0.03029
Electric - Small General		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.9%	0.0%	5.0%
Minimum Charge	10.92	10.92	10.92	10.92	12.00	12.00	12.60
Cost per kWh	0.02080	0.02080	0.02080	0.02080	0.02915	0.02915	0.03061
Electric - Medium General		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	5.0%
Minimum Charge	49.14	49.14	49.14	49.14	50.00	50.00	52.50
Cost per kWh Cost per kW (Demand Threshold >50kW)	0.01020 3.61	0.01020 3.61	0.01020 3.61	0.01020 3.61	0.0114 5.50	0.0114 5.50	0.01197 5.78
Citizen Utility Advisory Board (CUAB) Reco	mmendat	ions				
Electric		0%	0%	0%	*5%	0%	5.0%

^{*}Actual amount between the rates is 10%; however, the wholesale rate was reduced at the same time equaling an overall rate adjustment of 5% sanmarcostx.gov

Thank You



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