

 $\hfill\Box$ Transportation - Choose an item.

City of San Marcos

630 East Hopkins San Marcos, TX 78666

Legislation Text

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| AGENDA CAPTION: |
| Receive a Staff presentation and hold discussion regarding the utility disconnections for non- |
| payment, and provide direction to Staff. |
| Meeting date: October 20, 2020 |
| Department: Finance, Melissa Neel |
| Amount & Source of Funding |
| Funds Required: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Account Number: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Funds Available: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Account Name: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Fiscal Note: |
| Prior Council Action: Council agreed to halt utility service disconnections during the COVID |
| emergency in March. On July 7, 2020 council approved extending the freeze on disconnects through |
| the end of September 2020. |
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| <u>City Council Strategic Initiative</u> : [Please select from the dropdown menu below] |
| Choose an item. |
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| Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu |
| below] |
| ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item. |
| ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item. |
| ☐ Land Use - Choose an item. |
| □ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item. |
| ☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item. |

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| ☐ Core Services |
| □ Not Applicable |
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| <u>Master Plan</u> : [Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)] |
| Choose an item. |

Background Information:

In March, 2020 the City Council agreed to halt utility service disconnections for non-payment for 90 days. During July council meeting council support extending this date through Sept. 30, 2020. Currently utility disconnect remain on-hold. Staff recommends reinstating utility disconnects due to non-payment in January 2021, after the holidays.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

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Alternatives:

Continue to not terminate services for a set period of time.

Recommendation:

Extend the freeze on utility disconnects through January 2, 2021. Increase community outreach, expand customer communications as recommended.