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Dear City Council Members,

KCMO City Council has already declared a climate emergency. Resolution 220442 is in direct conflict with this declaration. This resolution is blatantly offensive not only to the council's climate plan, but also to residents who worked so hard to see a robust, comprehensive climate plan put forth. Please vote no and send the clear message to Spire and Evergy that the KCMO City Council is not for sale and will not abandon its priority of addressing this climate emergency. It's incredibly disappointing to even see this resolution put forth. Passing this resolution sends the clear message that the council prioritizes Big Oil & Gas over its citizens.

Today, I looked at my Spire Bill, totaling $42, only $14 of which was for the "natural gas" while $28 was Spire's miscellaneous charges and fees.That is absurd. KCMO Citizens are already at the mercy of Spire and Evegy and promoting Spire or Evergy DOES NOT ADD BALANCE. Spire doesn't need additional assistance, as they are already excessively and aggressively taking advantage of KCMO Citizens as it stands. We have no choice but to pay their ludicrous fees. Please don't encourage these monopolies to further abuse the public under the guise of "options". Spire doesn't deserve the benefit of doubt, but we the taxpayers do and we do not want this! Spire can engage with citizens, collect signatures and have their initiatives placed on the ballot if they truly believe it's what people want. It is unfair to continue to give Spire and Evergy direct access to the ear of city council and our tax paying dollars.

Unless this bill allows KCMO Residents to choose another company besides Spire/Evergy, then it is a sham to allow the same TWO companies who already have residents hostage to increase the already dangerous hold.

If you're concerned about energy choice, push for renewable energy sources, not fossil gas. Spire will tell you that "marginalized communities" need "energy choices" because if fossil gas is phased out, electricity rates will skyrocket. This is a FALSE solution**.**
KCMO City Council can simply hold Spire and Evergy accountable to ensure that it doesn't jack up rates and exploit the community
Thank you,
Bailey Baker
Resident of District 6