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SUMMARY

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SECTION 1. That Chapter Subchapter 51.29 entitled "Meters To Be Installed By Auburn" of Chapter 51 entitled "Electric Service" of the Auburn City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended, as follows, and restated as provided in Exhibit "A":

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Comm	on Council of the City of Auburn, Indiana, this
2 day of July, 2024.	
Jame	s Finchum, Councilmember
ATTEST:	
Lorrie K. Pontius Clerk-Treasurer	
Presented by me to the Mayor of the City	of Auburn, Indiana, this me this day of
July, 2024.	Lame K Pantius
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APPROVED AND SIGNED by me this 2	adday of July, 2024.
	David E. Clark Jr., Mayor

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SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

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VOTING:

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Natalie DeWitt

Rod Williams

James Finchum

Dan Braun

David Bundy

Kevin Webb

Emily Prosser

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