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CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. R98-51

DATE OF PASSAGE Feb. 10, 1998

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES
FOR MUNICIPAL UTILITY TAX REBATE
(ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS)**

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora has a population of more than 25,000 persons and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council enacted municipal electrical and natural gas taxes on November 25, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance enacting said taxes specifically noted the intent of the Council to provide rebates of said taxes to "qualified disabled individuals and senior citizens" through an administrative process to be established prior to April 1, 1998;

WHEREAS, a process for administering said rebates has been prepared by City staff in the form of a rebate application, a copy of which is attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, that the municipal utility tax rebate process for qualified disabled individuals and senior citizens as set forth in the attached rebates application is approved.

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CITY-OF AURORA, IL

**1998 GAS AND ELECTRIC UTILITY TAX
REBATE APPLICATION**

To qualify for a City of Aurora Gas and Electricity Utility Tax Rebate you must be a senior citizen or disabled person living in Aurora twelve (12) months prior to being eligible for a rebate. This application must be completed between May 1st and August 1, 1999 to qualify for a rebate of the 1998 tax. The rebate amount per household is currently \$50.00 for both gas and electricity. This amount is based on 70% of the average residential gas & electricity utility tax payment in the City.

Please complete the following to determine if you qualify for a rebate:

1. Did you pay for gas service at your residence from January 1998 to December 1998? Circle One: Yes or No
2. Did you pay for electric service at your residence from January 1998 to December 1998? Circle One: Yes or No

If you answered yes to #1 or #2 please continue to #3. Copies of your most recent gas and electric bill must be submitted with this application. If your answer is no, you are not eligible for this rebate.

3. Are you 65 years or older? Circle one: Yes or No

You must be 65 years old for the full year in which you are seeking a rebate. Copies of Medicare card, birth certificate, or other proof must be submitted with this application to prove age. In addition, proof of residence is also required including Driver's License, State ID, water bill, gas or electric bill.

4. Do you have an Illinois Disabled Persons Identification Card? Circle one: Yes or No

A copy of the card must be submitted to prove disability.

REBATES

If you qualify for a rebate, you will receive a lump sum payment for the appropriate utility tax after May 1st, 1999. Applications for rebates for more than \$50.00 must be accompanied with copies of utility bills for the full period.

Name _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

REVIEWED BY _____ DATE _____ NOTES: _____



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Roger W. Cantlin, C.P.A.
Director of Finance
City Treasurer

Date: January 20, 1998
To: Mayor David L. Stover
From: Scott F. McCleary, Budget Analyst *WKS*
Re: Utility Tax Rebate (Electricity & Natural Gas)

Attached please find copies of a resolution establishing procedures for the rebate of the municipal electricity and natural gas taxes to qualified disabled individuals and senior citizens who have lived in Aurora for at least twelve months. The rebate would be an amount equal to seventy percent (70%) of the average residential utility tax. As a result, the rebate recipient will not need to keep twelve months worth of bills to get their rebate. Rebates greater than the set amount will be granted so as long as the applicant can prove, with copies of bills, that he paid more in utility taxes than the rebate amount.

cc: Roger Cantlin, Finance Director/City Treasurer
Dan Barreiro, Assistant Director of Finance/Budget

CITY OF AURORA
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



David L. Stover
MAYOR

January 22, 1998

TO: Finance Committee:
Alderman Bob O'Connor, Chairman
Alderman Mike Saville
Alderman Chuck Nelson

FROM: R. Todas, Chief of Staff *RT*

RE: Resolution Establishing Procedures for Municipal
Utility Tax Rebate (Electric and Natural Gas)

I am forwarding to you correspondence and a Resolution on the above mentioned matter.

Please have the members of your committee review this item and make a recommendation to City Council.

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Enclosures

c: Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns
Roger Cantlin
Dan Barreiro
Scott McCleary