

Legislation Text

File #: RES2017-16, Version: 1

WARD: Citywide

COMMITTEE:

\$ IMPACT:

Approval of Resolution 2017-16 against gasoline price gouging and have the Mayor sign and execute related documents

ISSUE: On August 26, 2017, Hurricane Harvey devastated and disrupted parts of Texas, the Gulf Coast and the Oil Refineries and caused loss of life and injury. The rain began August 23rd two full days before the hurricane hit land with a record 50 inches of rain falling in Houston, Texas causing unprecedented flooding. Thousands of people had to evacuate their homes not knowing if they would be able to return. Local oil refineries were shut down and there has been price gouging of retailers taking advantage of consumers in times of natural disasters.

BACKGROUND:

RECOMMENDATION/REQUESTED ACTION: