



**ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - Approved  
JUNE 21, 2010**

**The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened in a regular meeting on June 21, 2010 in the Shudde Fath Conference Room at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Phillip Schmandt called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Commissioners in attendance: Chair Phillip Schmandt; Vice Chair Linda Shaw, Gary 'Bernie' Bernfeld, Shudde Fath, and Steve Taylor. Michael E. Webber arrived after the Call to Order. Stephen Smaha was absent.

Staff in attendance: Robert Goode, Cheryl Mele, Kerry Overton, Elaine Hart, Andy Perny, Mark Dreyfus, Pat Alba, Karl Rabago, David Wood, Jawana J.J. Gutierrez, Fred Yebra, Todd Shaw, Chris Smith, Jeff Vice, Patricia Alofsin, Adrienne Brandt, Jamie Mitchell, Pat Sweeney, Ann Little, Clyde Canady, Steve Machicek, Drusilla Saenz, Jim Collins, David Kutach, Kevin Nobles, Rosemary Ledesma, Shawn Harris, Toye Goodson Collins.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the regular meeting of May 17, 2010 were approved on Commissioner Fath's motion and Commissioner Bernfeld's second, on a 5-0 vote.

**3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL**                      None

**4. ACTION ON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS RELATED TO AUSTIN ENERGY -**

The following Recommendations for Council Action (RCAs) were recommended for approval on consent, on Commissioner Bernfeld's motion and Commissioner Taylor's second, on a 5-0 vote:

- b. Recommend authorization to award and execute a contract with AUSTIN TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT LTD., dba FREIGHTLINER OF AUSTIN, Austin, TX, for the purchase of seven truck-mounted aerial devices in an amount not to exceed \$1,503,554.
- c. Recommend approval to award and execute of a contract through the Texas Procurement and Support Services Cooperative Purchasing Program, Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with AMERICAN MATERIAL HANDLING, INC., Lilburn, GA, for the purchase of a rough-terrain telehandler in an amount not to exceed \$83,476.
- d. Recommend authorization to award, negotiate, and execute a 24-month requirements supply contract with IVES EQUIPMENT CORP., King of Prussia, PA, for valve replacement parts for Sand Hill Energy Center in an estimated amount not to exceed \$350,000, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$200,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$750,000.
- e. Recommend authorization to award and execute a contract with INSTRUMENT TRANSFORMER EQUIPMENT CORPORATION, Charlotte, NC, for the purchase of 24 potential transformers for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$167,928.
- f. Recommend authorization to award and execute a 12-month supply agreement with SCHWEITZER ENGINEERING LABORATORIES, INC., Pullman, WA, for the purchase of replacement relays for switchgear and relay panels for Austin Energy in an

estimated amount not to exceed \$1,802,140, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,802,140 per extension option, for an estimated total contract amount not to exceed \$9,010,700.

- g. Recommend authorization to award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with TECHLINE, INC, Austin, TX, for shoebox style street light fixtures and poles in an estimated amount not to exceed \$224,045, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$224,045 per extension option, for an estimated total contract amount not to exceed \$1,120,225.

The following RCA was pulled from the Consent Agenda, discussed and recommended for approval on Chair Schmandt's motion and Commissioner Bernfeld's second, on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioner Webber in attendance:

- a. Recommend authorization to award, negotiate, and execute a professional services contract with NAVIGANT CONSULTING, INC., Austin, TX, for consulting services for performing a financial and programmatic review of Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$281,000.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion on air permitting rules and the Fayette Power Plant

Todd Shaw, Manager, Environmental Care and Protection, answered questions regarding the EPA's recent disapproval of the flexible permitting rules used by TCEQ to administer the state's air quality program and how it might affect the Fayette Power Plant.

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Presentation and discussion of possible amendments to the Competitive Matters Resolution No. 20051201-002 – Speakers Carol Biedrzycki, Texas ROSE; Roger Wood, CCARE; and Paul Robbins provided suggestions regarding the resolution.  
In a presentation, Cheryl Mele, Chief Operating Officer, detailed proposed changes to the resolution. Andy Perny, Assistant City Attorney, presented staff's initial recommendation. A stakeholder meeting to discuss possible revisions is planned for July 9. At next month's meeting of the EUC, a public hearing will be held to receive additional public input.
- b. Discussion of Austin Energy's FY 2011 budget development – In the second of three budget input sessions, Elaine Hart, Chief Financial Officer, presented an update on the current budget process and answered questions regarding AE's budget.

7. **STAFF REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS**

- a. An Update on Meeting M/WBE Goals was presented by Rosemary Ledesma, Purchasing Manager, and Shawn Harris, Supervising Senior Buyer. Commissioners requested a quarterly update.
- b. The Financial Report was presented by Steve Machicek, Corporate Accounting Director.
- c. The Deferred Payment Arrangement and Disconnection Report was presented by J.J. Gutierrez, Vice President, Customer Care.

8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No requests were made.

9. **ADJOURNMENT** - Chair Schmandt adjourned the regular meeting of the Electric Utility Commission at 8:43 p.m. without objection.