



ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – Approved December 17, 2012
NOVEMBER 19, 2012

The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened in a regularly scheduled meeting in the Shudde Fath Conference Room at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Bernie Bernfeld called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Commissioners in attendance: Bernie Bernfeld, Chair; Karen Hadden, Vice Chair; Shudde Fath, Phillip Schmandt, Linda Shaw and Steve Smaha. Dr. Michael Webber was absent. Staff in attendance: Kerry Overton, Ann Little, Mark Dreyfus, David Wood, Fred Yebra, J. J. Gutierrez, Michael Osborne, Jim Collins, Jeff Vice, Leslie Libby, Ronnie Mendoza, Lisa Tamez and Toye Goodson Collins of Austin Energy; and Rosemary Ledesma of the Purchasing Department.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion to approve minutes of the October 29, 2012 special-called meeting by Commissioner Fath, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
3. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**
Gordon C. Fossum spoke regarding the solar rebate program; Jeff Crunk, Lorena Pesantez, Flavia de la Fuente, Kazel Morgan, Christine Wilson, Al Braden, Colin Clark and Bart Bombay spoke regarding replacement or retirement of the Fayette Power Plant; Bob Murray spoke regarding maximizing energy efficiency; and Lanetta Cooper spoke in favor of item 13, the contract for an automatic enrollment administrator for the Utility Discount Program.

NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT ITEMS

Chair Bernfeld announced the withdrawal by Austin Energy staff of item 16. Items 5, 6, 10, 13, 14, 15, 17 and 18 were pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

4. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of 12-month supply and service contract with TADPOLE CARTESIA, INC., dba TC TECHNOLOGY, for the purchase of GO! Sync Mobile GIS Enterprise Software Licenses and support for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$45,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$225,000. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
5. Authorize ratification of a contract with SPX TRANSFORMER SOLUTIONS, INC. dba WAUKESHA ELECTRIC for the purchase of a 50MVA power transformer to be installed at Austin Energy's Patton Lane Substation in an amount not to exceed \$1,148,260. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
6. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month contract with SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC USA, INC., dba SQUARE D COMPANY, to provide technical and customer support services for PowerLogic ION Enterprise/Enterprise Energy Management Systems for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$25,995, with four 12-month extension options for maintenance and support services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$25,995 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$129,975. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**

7. Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the construction of the 345 kV Austrop to Dunlap Transmission Line Project to acquire a 1.779 acre electric easement out of the James Gilleland Survey No. 13, Abstract No. 12, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$19,213. The owner of the needed property interest is Beard and Beard Investments LP. The general route of the project runs west from the Austrop Substation located on Blake-Manor Road to the Dunlap Substation under construction east of Taylor Lane. The easements being acquired run along and parallel to the north and south sides of an existing City of Austin electric transmission easement. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
8. Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the construction of the 345 kV Austrop to Dunlap Transmission Line Project to acquire a 2.342 acre tract of land more or less out of the James Gilleland Survey No. 13, Abstract No. 12, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$25,294. The owner of the needed property interest is Beard and Beard Investments LP. The general route of the project runs west from the Austrop Substation located on Blake-Manor Road to the Dunlap Substation under construction east of Taylor Lane. The easements being acquired run along and parallel to the north and south sides of an existing City of Austin electric transmission easement. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
9. Authorize award and execution of seven 36-month requirements supply contracts for the purchase of electrical maintenance supplies for Austin Energy with TECHLINE INC. in an estimated amount not to exceed \$350,439, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$116,813 per extension option for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$700,878; STUART C. IRBY in an estimated amount not to exceed \$234,216, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$78,072 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$468,432; KBS ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS INC. in an estimated amount not to exceed \$110,196, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$36,732 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$220,392; BORDER STATES ELECTRIC in an estimated amount not to exceed \$37,005, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$12,335 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$74,010; TAPE SOLUTIONS, INC. (WBE) in an estimated amount not to exceed \$35,478, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$11,826 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$70,956; 3MB INTERIOR PLUS. in an estimated amount not to exceed \$29,769, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$9,923 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$59,538; and CRAWFORD ELECTRIC SUPPLY in an estimated amount not to exceed \$12,243, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$4,081 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$24,486. The annual amount for all electrical maintenance supplies required under these agreements will be for a total estimated amount not to exceed \$269,782 each and combined. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**

10. Authorize reimbursement to Seaholm Power, LLC, for design and engineering services for chilled water transmission lines and mechanical room design for chilled water service connections to a high-rise residential building and the former Seaholm power plant facility on the southern portion of the Seaholm Redevelopment site in an amount not to exceed \$210,840. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
11. Authorize award and execution of a contract with JOHNSON CONTROLS INC., for the purchase of a 5,000 ton York Titan Chiller to be installed at Austin Energy's Downtown District Cooling Plant #2 facility in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
12. Approve the issuance of a performance based incentive to Youth and Family Alliance dba LifeWorks for the generation of solar energy at its facility located at 835 N. Pleasant Valley Road in Austin, Texas, for an estimated \$40,800 per year for a total amount not to exceed \$408,000 over a 10-year period. **Motion to approve on consent by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
13. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with SOLIX, INC., or the other qualified offeror to RFP No. OPJ0101, to provide automatic enrollment administrator services for Austin Energy's Utility Discount Program in an estimated amount not to exceed \$496,690, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$359,700 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,575,790. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
14. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of 24-month requirements service contracts with CREDIT PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUREAU, and NCO FINANCIAL SYSTEMS, or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. TVN0024, for the primary collection of delinquent utility accounts in an estimated amount not to exceed \$418,000 each and combined, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$209,000 each and combined for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,045,000 each and combined; 24-month requirements service contracts with PENN CREDIT and AMERICOLLECT Inc., or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. TVN0024, for the secondary collection of delinquent utility accounts in an estimated amount not to exceed \$220,000 each and combined, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$110,000 each and combined for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$550,000 each and combined; a 24-month requirements service contract with NCO FINANCIAL SYSTEMS, or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. TVN0024, for tertiary collection of delinquent utility accounts in an estimated amount not to exceed \$600,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$300,000 each for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000; and a 24-month requirements service contracts with CREDIT PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. TVN0024, for the collection of low-dollar delinquent utility accounts in an estimated amount not to exceed \$60,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$30,000 each for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$150,000. The annual amount for all collection services required under these agreements will be for a total estimated amount not to exceed

\$649,000 each and combined. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**

15. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NA, or with the other qualified respondents to RFP BKH0152 to provide an enterprise-wide online e-payment system in an estimated amount not to exceed \$661,400 with two 24-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$903,650 for the first extension option and \$1,407,377 for the second extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,972,427. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
16. Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 1 to a contract with CHASE PAYMENTECH SOLUTIONS, LLC, for Visa and MasterCard credit card processing services to increase funding in an estimated amount not to exceed \$469,249, for a revised estimated total contract amount not to exceed \$5,940,966. **Withdrawn by staff.**
17. Authorize award, and execution of a contract through the Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with McCOY ROCKFORD INC., for the purchase, delivery and installation of modular and free standing system furniture at Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$176,556. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**
18. Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with HORIZON PRINTING for the purchase of stationery and business card printing services for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$26,372 with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$26,372 per extension option, for an total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$131,860. **Motion to approve by Chair Bernfeld, seconded by Commissioner Fath, passed on a vote of 6-0.**

Commissioner Fath left the dais.

BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS

19. Austin Local Solar Advisory Committee Report by Steve Wiese, Committee Chair; Ron Van Dell and John Sutton, Committee members.

NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS

20. Adopt a regular meeting schedule for 2013 – **Motion to approve by Vice Chair Hadden, seconded by Commissioner Smaha, passed on a vote of 5-0.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

21. Request items including information related to the Upcoming Procurements Report – Commissioner Schmandt requested Austin Energy's response to the Local Solar Advisory Committee's recommendations including an analysis of the projections and costs included in their report. He also suggested tours of Austin Energy's chiller plants be arranged. Vice Chair Hadden requested a report on the City's green purchasing policies.

22. **ADJOURN** – Chair Bernfeld adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m. without objection.