

Late Backup

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- Responsible for entire city
- Knows little about utility

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- Can learn a lot about utility

Who decides? Need both

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Breadth: citywide

Board

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Depth: internal

Who does what?

v 1.0:

Distribute issues

“Three bins”

Three bins: Bin 1



Council:

General fund transfer
Rates
CIP & bonds
Long-range planning &
generation plan
EGRSO & sustainability
Eminent domain

Three bins: Bin 2

Board:

Purchases < \$10m to \$100m
Rebates
Easements



Three bins: Bin 3



Bin 1 - Council



Everything else



Bin 2 - Board

Bin 3

Original proposal: Mostly board



Bin 1 - Council



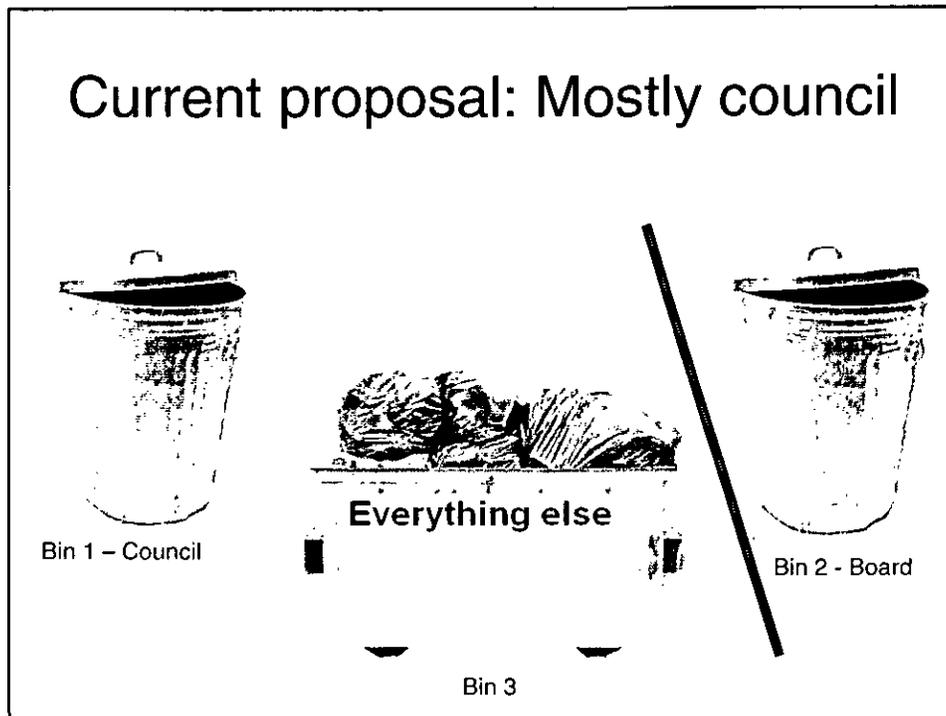
Everything else



Bin 2 - Board

Bin 3

Current proposal: Mostly council



What's in bin 3?

Some things we know:

- Tree trimming to clear lines
- Customer disconnects/extreme weather
- Customer assistance program
- Facility location (e.g., Mueller sub)
- Surplus land (e.g., Crestview sub)
- Waste disposal contracts
- Google fiber cooperation

What's in bin 3?

Some things we can guess:

Energy efficiency policies

Internal services, including:

legal

HR

fleet, &c

Citywide policies and plans

M/WBE, AIPP, living wage, &c

Imagine Austin, other long range plans

What's in bin 3?

What council sees

What's in bin 3?



What council sees

What AE does

*We don't know what's
under the water*

Much uncertainty, especially about Bin 3

May need breadth (and council)

May need depth (and board)

May need both



Everything else

Issue distribution, v 2.0

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Assign bin 1 to Council

Assign bin 2 to Board

Assign bin 3 to Board, *but* with Council review.

EUC proposal: 30 days for IFC

Other issues:

- Require finding of broader-than- AE scope?
- 2 members or “superminority”?
- How ensure Council and public get info about Board decisions?
- Agreement necessary on some issues?

Advantages of v 2.0

- Don't need to know contents of bin 3 in advance
- Sort as issues come up – can modify ordinance periodically
- Any issue can be decided by Council
- Board keeps ownership of most issues → better decisions

We should decide now if we know

- the issues,
- the short-term results, and
- the long-term consequences

If we don't know all of these,
Council review makes more sense.