

Recommendations for Topics of Discussion by the Council Committee on Austin Energy

Background

At the City Council Work Session on June 25, 2013, Council members set the first meeting of the newly-formed Council Committee on Austin Energy for August 13. They selected agenda topics for the first meeting and tentatively selected topics for a September meeting. In addition, they requested recommendations from the Electric Utility Commission as to future topics for discussion by the Committee and timing for those topics.

At the first meeting of the Council Committee, they discussed the following topics:

- Rate adjustments proposed for the FY 2014 Budget, including the Power Supply Adjustment and GreenChoice® Program
- Line extensions – practices, costs and policy
- Set the next meeting for Tuesday, September 3, 2013

Tentative schedule of agenda topics for discussion by the Council Committee

September 2013

- Risk Management – hedging policy and fuel management
- Disconnection and Reconnection Fees

October 2013

- Resource Planning Priorities – as inputs to Fall 2014 Resource Plan update; includes Local Solar Advisory Committee recommendations
- The Role of Commissions

November

- AE Quarterly Report
- Financial Update – emphasis on assessing the first year results under new rates
- Financial Reserves Policies

December

- Smart meter update and policies
- CC&B update
- Collections update

January 2014

- District Cooling overview and policies

February 2014

- AE Quarterly Report
- ERCOT market update

March 2014

- Rates update – timeline and planning
- Issues debrief from 2013 rate appeal

April 2014

- Resource Planning Priorities – Fall 2014 Resource Plan mid-year update

May 2014

- AE Quarterly Report
- Financial update, forecast and budget plan

June 2014

- AE Annual Performance Report for 2013
- Departmental Climate Protection Plan update