

Council Committee on Austin Energy Tuesday, August 13, 2013, 9:30 AM

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THE *COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON AUSTIN ENERGY* CONVENED ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2013 AT 9:34 A.M. IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, ROOM 1101, CITY HALL, 301 W. SECOND STREET

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. by Mayor Leffingwell.

Agenda Item #1: Citizen Communication

Ms. Kunda Wicce spoke to the Committee about the accelerating rate of climate change, the Fayette Power Plant and suggested the Committee have an item to discuss accelerating the reduction of our own carbon dioxide footprint.

Agenda Item #2: FY 2014 Adjustments to Proposed Budget: Power Supply Adjustment and GreenChoice®

Ms. Lanetta Cooper spoke to the Committee about issues with the CAP rate discount tariff and automatic enrollment in the program.

Mr. Tom "Smitty" Smith spoke to the Committee regarding a re-evaluation of the amount appropriated for solar; disconnection policy and re-connection cost; and the cost of maintenance and repairs for the nuclear power plant.

Mr. Larry Weis, General Manager of Austin Energy; Cheryl Mele, Chief Operating Officer; Ann Little, Chief Financial Officer, and Debbie Kimberly Vice President of Distributed Energy Services presented information regarding adjustments made to the proposed Fiscal Year 2014 Budget, including changes to the Power Supply Adjustment and GreenChoice®. Requests from the Committee included clarifying the tariff for houses of worship, a red-line version of the proposed changes to the Proposed FY 2014 Budget, the change in Power Supply Cost components and the change in Power Supply Cost components from the amended FY 2013 Budget to the proposed FY 2014 Budget.

Agenda Item #3: Line Extensions – Practices, Costs and Policy

Mr. Tom "Smitty" Smith spoke to the Committee regarding the cost to serve out-of-city customers, especially those in western Travis County, and questioned if there should be differential connection fees.

Mr. Larry Weis, General Manager of Austin Energy and Cheryl Mele, Chief Operating Officer presented information regarding line extensions including their cost and Austin Energy's practices and policies. The presentation included recommendations on a proposed policy change and a timeline for implementation.

Agenda Item #4: Quarterly Report

The Quarterly Report was distributed, and an item allowing Committee members to ask questions about the report will be included on the next meeting agenda.

Agenda Item #5: Next Meeting(s)

Committee members accepted by acclamation the next meeting date as September 3, 2013.

Adjournment – Mayor Leffingwell adjourned the meeting without objections at 11:31 a.m.

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