

# **Resource Management Commission**May 21, 2013

# **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dielmann at 6:40 p.m. Commissioners Amato, Herbert, Hsieh, Kelly, Krishna and Metzger were also in attendance;

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes from the April 16, 2013 regular meeting.

Motion to approve minutes (Metzger); seconded (Kelly); passed on vote of 5-0, with Herbert and Krishna off the dais.

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS** (Rachel Fisher and Tim Arndt)

#### **NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion to recommend approval of consent agenda Items 2-8 (Metzger); seconded (Herbert); passed on vote of 6-0, with Krishna off the dais.

- 2. Approve issuance of a rebate to Arts Apartments South Austin, LLC for performing comprehensive energy efficiency upgrades at the Arts Apartments at South Austin located at 400 West St. Elmo Rd., Austin, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$99,000.
- 3. Approve issuance of a rebate to Arts Apartments at Turtle Creek, LLC for performing comprehensive energy efficiency upgrades at the Arts Apartments at Turtle Creek located at 714 Turtle Creek Blvd., Austin, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$71,500.
- 4. Approve issuance of a rebate to H & H Texas Partners, LTD for performing comprehensive energy efficiency upgrades at Timbercreek Apartments located at 614 South 1st St.., Austin, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$132,000.
- 5. Approve issuance of a rebate to Capri Capital for performing Duct Diagnostic and Improvements at Stonegate Apartments in an amount not to exceed \$146,974.
- 6. Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Seton Healthcare, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at their facility located at 4900 Mueller Blvd., Austin, Texas, for an estimated \$7,325 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$73,250 over a 10-year period.
- 7. Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with St. David's Episcopal Church, to provide a performance-based incentive for the generation of solar energy at their facility located at 308 E. 8th St., Austin, Texas, for an estimated \$26,969 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$269,690 over a 10-year period.

8. Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with CIRRO ENERGY SERVICES, INC., to provide peak load forecasting in an estimated amount not to exceed \$28,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$28,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$140,000.

Note: Chair, with no dissent, took up Item 10 after the consent agenda.

## **BRIEFINGS**

10. <u>Texas Gas Service</u>: Quarterly Update on Conservation Program -- Presentation of FY 2012 Annual Report (Margaret von Flatern; Larry Graham)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Discussion and possible action on a proposed Council resolution directing the City Manager to collect data on multi-family units participating in Austin Energy's Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program. (Debbie Kimberly, VP, Distributed Energy Services; Brian Kennedy, Product Development Coordinator)

Motion to recommend approval of the resolution (Herbert); seconded (Kelly), with the following amendments:

- a) that the data collection for items 1, 5, 6 and 7 noted in this proposal be done by Austin Energy, but have rent information (items 2-4, 8 and 9) collected by a separate entity;
- b) that the two data sets be analyzed by a third party to see if there is any correlation between energy efficiency rebates and rents; and
- c) that the third party rental data collection and analysis not be funded by Austin Energy.

Passed on vote of 4-0-3, with Commissioners Amato, Hsieh and Krishna abstaining.

Motion (Hsieh) to inform Council that as written, the Commission does not recommend approval of the resolution; seconded (Amato); passed on a vote of 7-0.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

- 11. <u>Austin Energy</u>: Update regarding Resolution 20120927-083, directing AE to host a one-day Energy Efficiency Stakeholder Process and place a related standing item on the RMC agenda for one year (Debbie Kimberly; Liz Jambor, Manager, Market Research)
- 12. Update from Commissioners on Activities of Interest

**ADJOURN -** Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.