

MOTION

By Motion made and passed by a majority vote of the Low -Income Consumer Advisory Task Force on March 6, 2015, the Task Force encourages the Austin City Council to study ways to make City Departments addressing affordable housing provide more efficiency in their housing programs and specifically recommends that the Council direct the City Auditor to:

1. Survey the City resources applied to affordable housing, energy and water efficiency, and solar programs;
2. Review and analyze these resources to determine whether:
 - a. Greater standardization can occur among the various programs and/or services;
 - b. Changes could be made in the various programs and services to result in an applicant being able to receive needed housing and efficiency improvement from a single program contact; and
 - c. Efficiency programs could be merged into a larger program (e.g., Austin Energy's low income weatherization services becoming part of the home repair projects performed under Neighborhood Housing programs) to provide greater economies of scale and/or scope and improved customer service;
3. Prepare a written report of its review and analysis to the Council; and
4. Publish this report on the City Auditor's web site.

Signed By

Carol Biedrzycki

Date:

3/12/2015

Carol Biedrzycki, Chair

Low Income Consumer Advisory Task Force