



Electric Utility Commission

March 23, 2015

Minutes

The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened in a regularly-scheduled meeting in the Shudde Fath Conference Room at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Osborne at 6:04 pm. Commissioners Fath, Hadden, Heidebrecht, Meijer and Rai were also in attendance. Commissioner Herbert was absent.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Approve minutes of the February 23, 2015 regular meeting.
Motion to approve meeting minutes as amended by Commissioner Hadden (Rai); seconded (Heidebrecht); passed on a vote of 6-0.
2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:** *Paul Robbins (Item 9); Dale Bulla (Promote EV infrastructure and issue solar RFP).*

NEW BUSINESS (Targeted Council Date)

Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Items 3 thru 5 (Hadden); seconded (Rai); passed on a vote of 6-0.

3. (3/26) Authorize award and execution of a 43-month contract through the National Joint Powers Alliance with W. W. GRAINGER, INC., to purchase industrial supplies, equipment, tools, and services in an amount not to exceed \$16,500,000, with one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$21,000,000. (AE's estimated share of this contract is \$1,690,000.)
4. (4/16) Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a 12-month contract with CLEARRESULT CONSULTING INC., or one of the other qualified responders to RFP No. OPJ0111, for an Efficient Consumer Products Manufacturer Retailer Program in an amount not to exceed \$873,956, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$873,956 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,369,780.
5. (4/16) Authorize award and execution of a contract with TEXAS AIRSYSTEMS, LLC for the purchase of heat exchangers for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$540,031.

BRIEFINGS

6. Briefing regarding evaluation of impact on small businesses of the charge for electric demand above ten kilowatts, as called for by Resolution 201406269-073
Mark Dreyfus, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Corporate Communications
7. Briefing and possible action on the 2015 Austin Community Climate Plan
Zach Baumer, Climate Program Manager, Sustainability Office

Note: Chair exercised prerogative and took the following items up in an alternate order (8 & 10 together, then 11, 9 and 12); for Minutes, the items remain as ordered on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

8. Discussion and possible action regarding the Power Supply Adjustment and the Fuel Adjustment clause
9. Discussion and possible action regarding the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan including EUC working group report and RFP addendum
Motion (Hadden) to approve resolution from Vice Chair Hadden regarding a solar RFP, recommending “that the City Council should wait to approve a consultant to conduct the 500 MW Gap Study until after a request for proposals for up to 600 MW of solar has been issued and the results have been received and reviewed; and that Austin City Council should direct Austin Energy to issue a request for proposals for 600 MW of solar no later than April 15th, 2015 and to use the most competitive price results for 600 MW of solar to determine affordability in the “500 MW Gap Study”; seconded (Meijer); passed on a vote of 5-1, with Heidebrecht voting “against” and Herbert absent.
10. Discussion and possible action regarding 4th quarter report and year-end report
11. Discussion regarding staff response to request for back cast simulations for solar, wind, and gas generation

ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

12. Discussion and possible action on Austin Energy's direct and support service transfers to the city of Austin General fund. (Fath, Osborne)
Resolution from Commissioner Fath tabled.

OTHER BUSINESS

13. Discussion and possible action regarding EUC Annual Report
Chair Osborne, with Heidebrecht assist, will work on report.
14. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items
Hadden: process regarding disputing a bill.
Rai: presentation on solar programming, including leasing.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:48 pm.