

# **Electric Utility Commission**

September 21, 2015 • 6:00 p.m.
Town Lake Center, Shudde Fath Conference Room
721 Barton Springs Road, Austin, Texas

## **AGENDA**

#### **Members:**

Michael Osborne, Chair Karen Hadden, Vice Chair Carol Biedrzycki Shudde Fath Cary Ferchill Brent Heidebrecht Naveed Mahmood Derrick Norris Ruby Roa Mary Katherine Stout Stefan Wray

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**Reading and Action on Consent Agenda:** Items 2-12 may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Commissioner.

#### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL** – Speaker remarks limited to three minutes.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES -** Approve minutes of the August 17, 2015 regular meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS -- CONSENT**

#### ( )=Target Council Meeting Date for Recommendations for Council Action (RCAs)

- 2. (10/1) Approve issuance of a rebate to Clarion Partners for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Lantana Ridge Apartments located at 6636 W. William Cannon Dr., in an amount not to exceed \$94,989 (District 8).
- 3. (10/1) Authorize execution of a 60-month lease renewal agreement with SWC Research & Ohlen, LP, for approximately 4,597 square feet of retail space located at 8716 Research Boulevard for the continued operation of an Austin Energy Customer Service Center, in an amount not to exceed \$688,890 (District 7).
- 4. (10/1) Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with 1ENERGY SYSTEMS INC., for the purchase of a 1.5 megawatt energy storage system to be installed at Austin Energy's Kingsbery Substation, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.

- 5. (10/1) Authorize execution of power purchase agreements with one or more qualified offerors for 200 to 300 megawatts of utility-scale, solar-generated electricity in an estimated amount of \$22,500,000 to \$33,200,000 per year, and a total estimated amount of \$445,000,000 to \$700,000,000 with contract terms ranging between 15 and 25 years.
- 6. (10/1) Authorize execution of a 24-month contract with TECHLINE INC. to provide vacuum interrupter switches for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$1,619,150, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$809,575 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,047,875.
- 7. (10/1) Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with PA CONSULTING GROUP, INC. for professional services to train staff on operations modeling and support development of operational metrics for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$217,000.
- 8. (10/1) Authorize execution of a 12-month extension option with REPUBLIC SERVICES INC. for the management and disposal of industrial Class 2 non-hazardous waste for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$264,820, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$794,460.
- 9. (10/1) Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 2 to a contract with NEWGEN STRATEGIES AND SOLUTIONS, LLC, for regulatory consulting services for Austin Energy services in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for the revised total contract amount not to exceed \$945,885.
- 10. (10/15) Authorize execution of a contract with PRIESTER-MELL & NICHOLSON INC. for the one-time purchase of 54 streetlight poles for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$74,412.
- 11. (10/15) Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with HERRERA & BOYLE, PLLC, or another qualified offeror to Request for Qualification Statements LAG0501, for impartial hearing examiner services for Austin Energy's 2016 cost of service and rate review in an amount not to exceed \$350,000.
- 12. (10/15) Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 15-9 relating to meter totalization.

#### **BRIEFINGS**

- 13. Briefing on assumptions used by Navigant Consulting in its analysis pertaining to the 2025 Generation Plan.
- 14. Briefing on potential purchase of utility scale solar.
- 15. Cost of Service Study update.
- 16. Update on billing system and customer complaints.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 17. Discussion and possible action regarding the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan, including the 600 MW solar RFP.
- 18. Discussion and possible action regarding demand charges for commercial customers under 20 kilowatts.
- 19. Discussion of Austin Energy performance measures and how they can be measured at the district level.

20. Amend the Bylaws as necessary to reflect changes associated with the 10-1 City Council structure.

#### ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- 21. Invited presentation regarding community neighborhood meeting initiatives. Dave Cortez, Sierra Club (Roa, Osborne)
- 22. Discussion and possible action regarding inputs and assumptions and EUC role regarding Navigant gap study. (Hadden, Osborne)
- 23. Staff responses to Commissioner's questions submitted regarding July 20, 2015 staff presentation. (Roa, Osborne)
- 24. Discussion and possible action on billing issues and customer service. (Norris, Mahmood)

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 25. Elect representative to the Joint Sustainability Committee.
- 26. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items.

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