

# RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MAY 17, 2011 REGULAR MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Dielmann at 6:40 p.m. Commissioners Kelly, Dielmann, Amato, Herbert, Hsieh, Metzger, and Krishna attended the meeting.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve minutes from the April 2011 regular meeting.

Commissioner Herbert moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Amato. The motion passed on a vote of 4-0 (Commissioners Hsieh, Kelly, and Metzger had not yet arrived).

#### **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

Scott Johnson spoke later in the meeting with regard to item 7.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. Recommend approval of an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$55,000 in grant funds from the American Public Power Association (APPA), and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Austin Energy Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20100913-002 to appropriate such grant funds, and authorize execution of an agreement with APPA for the development of a software tool and user's manual to address power factor through energy efficiency, in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.

Commissioner Hsieh moved to approve item 2, seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The motion passed on a vote of 6-0 (Commissioner Metzger had not yet arrived).

3. Recommend award of a contract to Entech Sales and Service, Austin, TX, to replace and upgrade the existing Building Automation System in the APD headquarters and patrol buildings in an estimated amount not to exceed \$160,180.

Commissioner Herbert moved to approve item 3, seconded by Commissioner Hsieh. The motion passed on a vote of 6-0 (Commissioner Metzger had not yet arrived).

4. Recommend award of a purchase contract with Smith Power Products, Inc., Houston, TX, for the purchase of an engine generator for the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,227,225, with the option for a 96-month service and maintenance contract for this generator in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,563,200, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,790,425.

Commissioner Kelly moved to approve item 4, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. The motion passed on a vote of 7-0.

#### **BRIEFINGS**

5. Drought and water conservation update by Austin Water Utility.

## Presented by Drema Gross.

6. Monthly report by Austin Energy on its demand side management and solar programs.

## Presented by Fred Yebra and Leslie Libby.

7. Presentation by the Public Works Department on its implementation of a departmental climate protection plan.

Presented by Kalpana Sutaria.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

8. Discussion and possible action regarding Austin Water Utility's water conservation programs.

A presentation was made by Mr. Paul Robbins and discussed by the Commission.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Commission requested a response from AWU regarding Mr. Robbins' presentation. The Commission further requested an update on plans for the GreenChoice program in the upcoming rate review and a quarterly update from Texas Gas Service.