



## **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2011 REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:34 p.m. Commissioners Amato, Dielmann, Krishna, and Kelly attended. Commissioners Herbert, Metzger, and Hsieh were absent.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve minutes from the October 2011 regular meeting.  
**Commissioner Amato moved to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2011 meeting, subject to correction of a typo under item 6 (“sand” should read “and”). Commissioner Kelly seconded and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.**

### **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**Paul Robbins addressed the Commission regarding item 5.**

### **BRIEFINGS**

2. Austin Water Utility briefing on possible revisions to the water conservation code.  
**Briefing by Drema Gross.**
3. Monthly report on Austin Energy demand side management and solar programs.  
**Briefing by Fred Yebra and Leslie Libby.**
4. Briefing regarding the Austin Energy Clean Energy Accelerator program.  
**Briefing by Jill Maness.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

5. Recommend authorization to award, negotiate, and execute a 24-month requirements service contract with Water Management, Inc., Texas, to provide industrial, commercial, and institutional (“ICI”) water audits for Austin Water Utility with three 12-month options, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$825,000.  
**Commissioner Dielmann moved to defer consideration of item 5 until the Commission receives more information regarding the audit program. Commissioner Amato seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Dielmann stated that he would follow up with AWU staff.**
6. Recommend adoption of an ordinance amending the GreenChoice Energy Rider in Ordinance No. 20110912-007 to extend the Batch 6 subscription expiration date to December 31, 2021.  
**Commissioner Kelly moved to approve item 6. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Amato and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

7. Recommend award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service agreement with Appliance Recycling Center of America, Minneapolis, MN to provide pick-up and recycling services of old energy inefficient appliances and the delivery and installation of new energy efficient appliances to Austin Energy customers, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,025,000 with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,025,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$4,100,000.

**Commissioner Dielmann moved to approve item 7. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Krishna and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

8. Recommend issuance of a rebate to Fortis Realty Services, LLC, Austin, Texas, for the installation of solar energy systems designed to serve 25 new construction condominium units and one new construction shared house facility in the Pease Place condominium complex, 1603 Enfield Road, Austin, Texas, 78703 for a total amount of \$160,253.10.

**Commissioner Amato moved to approve item 8. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kelly and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

9. Recommend authorization of a construction contract with Texas Solar Power Company, Austin, Texas, for the restoration of a solar array at Austin Energy's Decker Creek Power Station in an estimated amount not to exceed \$947,498.

**Commissioner Amato moved to approve item 9. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Krishna and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

10. Recommend an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$600,000 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Energy through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs as the administering agency, and amending the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Austin Energy Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 201110912-005 to appropriate \$600,000 for weatherization of homes for low-income, elderly, and disabled customers within Austin Energy's service area.

**Commissioner Kelly moved to approve item 10. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Krishna and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

11. Recommend award, negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 4 to nine requirements service contracts with A-Plus Energy Management & A/C, Austin, TX; American Conservation & Air, Austin, TX; Apple Energy Group, LLC, Austin, TX; ATS Engineering & Inspectors, Austin, TX; City Conservation, Austin, TX; McCullough Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc., Austin, TX; Standard Renewable Energy, Austin, TX; The Institute For Building Technology And Safety, Herndon, VA; and the Nelrod Company, Fort Worth, TX, to increase the contract for weatherization test in audit services in an estimated combined amount not to exceed \$144,151, for a revised estimated combined contract amount not to exceed \$922,500.

**Commissioner Dielmann moved to approve item 11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kelly and passed on a vote of 4-0.**

12. Discussion and possible action regarding Austin Energy's strategy to reach its goal of 800 MW of peak demand savings by 2020, in reference to City Council Resolution No. 20111006-060.

**No action was taken. The Commissioners agreed to forward comments to staff later on an individual basis.**

13. Approve 2012 meeting schedule.

**Commissioner Dielmann moved to adopt the standard schedule (every third Tuesday of the month) for calendar year 2012, with the exception of the November meeting, which will be held November 13. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kelly and passed on a vote of 4-0.**