

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES – OCTOBER 18, 2016

The Resource Management Commission (RMC) convened on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, in Austin, Texas. The meeting was called to order by Chair Leo Dielmann at 6:10 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance: Leo Dielmann, Chair; Cyrus Reed, Vice Chair; James Dwyer, Gregory Santiago, Susanne Vaughn, and Michael Wong. Andrew Gill, Natasha Madison, and Kaiba White arrived shortly after the Call to Order. Shane Saum was absent. There is one vacancy on the RMC.

Staff in Attendance: Mark Jordan of Austin Water; Debbie Kimberly, Denise Kuehn, David Hood, Karl Popham, Karen Poff, and Toye Goodson of Austin Energy.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Approve minutes of the September 20, 2016 meeting.

 Motion to approve by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Passed on vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Gill, Madison, and White off the dais and Commissioner Saum absent.
- **2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL** There were no speakers.

NEW BUSINESS

- 3. Authorize execution of an agreement with 78741 Holdings, LP, to provide incentives for the installation of solar electric systems on 20 residential units at its Las Cimas mixed-use development at 2101 Montopolis Drive, for a total amount not to exceed \$101,760. (District 3) Motion to recommend approval on consent by Chair Dielmann, seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Passed on a vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Gill, Madison, and White off the dais and Commissioner Saum absent.
- 4. Approve issuance of a rebate to Henderson Global Investors, for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Argosy at Crestview apartment community located at 1003 Justin Lane, in an amount not to exceed \$95,279 (District 7). Motion to recommend approval by Vice Chair Reed, seconded by Commissioner Wong. Passed on a vote of 7-0 with Commissioners Madison and White off the dais and Commissioner Saum absent. Commissioner Gill arrived prior to consideration of this item.
- 5. Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month agreement with THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS on behalf of the Clean Energy Incubator, a program of the Austin Technology Incubator, for mutual assistance in the clean energy field, in the amount of \$195,000, with one 12-month extension option in the amount of \$195,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$390,000. Motion to recommend approval on consent by Chair Dielmann, seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Passed on a vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Gill, Madison, and White off the dais and Commissioner Saum absent.

Commissioners Madison and White arrived.

STAFF BRIEFING

6. Quarterly Water Conservation Update from Mark Jordan, Conservation Program Coordinator, Austin Water.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Discussion and possible action on accelerating the target for local solar in the Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan, including a report from the Working Group. (Sponsors: Commissioner White and Vice Chair Reed) Commissioner White said she was eager for the RMC to begin participation in the process of updating the Resource Plan and reported that the Electric Utility Commission (EUC) made appointments to a related stakeholder group at their recent meeting. Debbie Kimberly, Vice President, Customer Energy Solutions, told Commissioners that Khalil Shalabi, Vice President, Market Operations and Resource Planning, would make initial presentations on the Resource Plan update to the Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee, EUC, and RMC in November. Commissioners agreed with Vice Chair Reed's suggestion that the four members of the their Solar Working Group (Dielmann, Reed, Vaughan, and White) participate in the stakeholder group.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The staff liaison listed the following items scheduled for the November agenda: a briefing from Austin Energy on the Resource Plan update; briefings from the Sustainability Office and Fleet Services, including a report from Cap Metro on electrification of their fleet; a report from the Development Services Department regarding inspections to ensure energy code compliance; and adoption of the 2017 meeting schedule. Commissioners agreed to postpone the Development Services report to the December meeting.

ADJOURN – Chair Dielmann adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:40 p.m.