

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 68134 Agenda Number

Meeting Date: 3/2/2017 Department: Austin Energy

Subject

Approve issuance of a rebate to Seton Family of Hospitals for installing energy efficiency measures at the Dell Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas, located at 1500 Red River Street, in an amount not to exceed \$263,741. (District 1)

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6087; Denise Kuehn, Director, Energy Efficiency Services (512) 322-6138.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Resource Management Commission on February 21, 2017, and the Electric Utility Commission on February 27, 2017.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy requests authorization to issue a rebate to the Seton Family of Hospitals, in an amount not to exceed \$263,741, for energy efficiency measures to be completed at the Dell Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas, located at 1500 Red River Street, in Council District 1.

The Dell Seton Medical Center at UT is one of four teaching hospitals for UT's new Dell Medical School. The Dell Seton Medical Center is a new facility of approximately 517,000 square feet with 211 beds in operation and space for an additional 135 beds in the future.

The energy efficiency measures implemented at this property are high efficiency air conditioners, regenerative elevators, heat pump chillers, energy efficient kitchen equipment, high efficiency lighting, lighting controls, and variable frequency drives on pumps and fans. The estimated total cost of the project is \$9,705,915 and the rebate will cover 2.7% of the total cost. These improvements are in accordance with Austin Energy's Commercial Rebate Program guidelines. This program is one element of the comprehensive Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to realize 700 MW of energy efficiency and 200 MW of demand response by 2025. The

original plan, approved by City Council in April 2010 and updated in December 2014, is designed in part to reduce local air pollution through energy conservation, reduce peak demand, reduce the need to purchase additional generation and assist customers in reducing electric consumption.

The avoided kilowatt hours (kWh) estimated at 6,673,649 kWh per year represents a major benefit to the local environment. This project is estimated to offset the production of the following air emissions: 4,007.3 metric tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO2), 2.793 metric tons of Nitrogen Oxides (NOX), and 2.526 metric tons of Sulfur Dioxide (SO2). The project savings is equivalent to an estimated 8,997,298 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 768 cars from our roadways, or the planting of 102,949 trees or 5,147 acres of forest in Austin's parks.

DELL SETON MEDICAL CENTER UT REBATE FACT SHEET

Property Name	Dell Seton Medical Cer	nter at The University of Tex	as			
Customer Name	Seton Family of Hospit	tals				
Property Address	1500 Red River Street					
Total Square Feet	517,000					
Year Built	2017					
Energy Conservation Audit						
and Disclosure (ECAD) Status ¹	New Construction - EXEMPT					
Total Measure Costs	\$9,705,915					
Total Rebate – Not to Exceed	\$263,741					
% of Total Measure Costs						
Scope of Work						
Air Conditioning Units, Regener	ative Elevators, Heat Pu	mp Chillers, Kitchen Equipme	ent, High Effici	ency Lighting, \	/ariable	
Frequency Drives						
Project Annual Savings						
Kilowatt (kW) Saved –						
Estimated	1,092					
\$/kW – Estimated	\$242					
Kilowatt-hours (kWh) Saved –						
Estimated	6,673,649					
		Completion				
Measures Performed - Last 10		Date	Rebate Amount			
None – New Construction		N/A	N/A			
Scope of Work	,		_			
Measure	Rebate Amount	kW Saved – Estimated	kWh Saved –		\$/kW	
Air Conditioning	\$ 330	0.31		1,279	\$ 1,054	
Regenerative Elevators ²	\$ 22,971	85.97		181,036	\$ 267	
Heat Pump Chillers ³	\$ 129,629	370.40	3,244,418 \$ 350			
Kitchen Equipment	\$ 350	4.94		3,764	\$ 71	
High Efficiency Lighting	\$ 39,960	377.26		1,974,866	\$ 106	
Lighting Controls	\$ 15, 017	100.46		880,580	\$ 149	
Variable Frequency Drives ⁴	7 15, 017				\$ 727	

¹ TITLE 6. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL AND CONSERVATION. CHAPTER 6-7. ENERGY CONSERVATION code (ECAD Ordinance).

² Regenerative is a type of elevator that recycles energy rather than wasting it as heat. When the elevator cab travels down with a heavy load or up with a light load, the motor acts as a generator, transforming mechanical power into electrical power.

³ Heat Pump Chillers generate hot water as a by-product of the chilled water system to be used in other systems requiring heat.
⁴ Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) adjust the speed of a pump or motor by varying its input frequency and voltage, thereby reducing its peak power when full speed is not required.