



## **Electric Utility Commission**

**April 17, 2017**

### **Minutes**

**The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened a regular meeting at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.** Meeting was called to order by Chair Hadden at 6:05 pm. Commissioners Biedrzycki, Fath, Ferchill, Osborne, Stout and Zell were also in attendance. Commissioner Reel and Wray were absent, along with two vacancies.

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:** *Carol B.(Item 3- concerns re ECAD)*

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Approve minutes of the March 20, 2017 regular meeting.  
**Motion (Fath) to approve March 20, 2017 minutes; seconded (Ferchill); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Commissioners Reel and Wray absent and two vacancies.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT**

**Motion to approve consent Items 4 – 7, 9 and 12 (Ferchill); seconded (Osborne); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Commissioners Reel and Wray absent and two vacancies. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Item 2 (Ferchill); seconded (Fath); failed on a vote of 3-4, with Commissioners Biedrzycki, Hadden, Stout and Osborne against, and with Reel and Wray absent and two vacancies. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Item 3 (Osborne); seconded (Biedrzycki); passed on a vote of 7-0. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Item 8 (Osborne); seconded (Hadden); passed on a vote of 6-1, with Stout against. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Item 3 (Osborne); seconded (Biedrzycki); passed on a vote of 7-0. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Items 10 and 11 (Osborne); seconded (Fath); passed on a vote of 7-0.**

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

2. (4/20) [Purchasing] (Various Depts; AE's portion \$2.4M) Authorize negotiation and execution of 27 contracts, for six-month terms, with ALAMO CITY CHEVROLET; AMERICAN MATERIAL HANDLING, INC; AUSTIN TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT, INC. LTD. DBA FREIGHTLINER OF AUSTIN; CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET; CENTERLINE SUPPLY, LTD; CENTRAL TEXAS EQUIPMENT; CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC; CLARK EQUIPMENT COMPANY DBA BOBCAT COMPANY; COOPER EQUIPMENT CO., INC; CREATIVE BUS SALES, INC; DEERE & CO; DOGGETT FREIGHTLINER OF SOUTH TEXAS, LLC; EPOKE NORTH AMERICA, INC; GUNN NISSAN, HARBEN, INC; MAGNUM CUSTOM TRAILER MFG CO., INC; NILFISK-ADVANCE, INC; NUECES FARM CENTER DBA NUECES POWER EQUIPMENT; POLARIS SALES, INC; PROFESSIONAL TURF PRODUCTS, LP; RDO EQUIPMENT CO; RUSH BUS CENTERS OF TEXAS, DBA RUSH BUS CENTERS; SANTEX TRUCK CENTER, LTD; SILSBEE FORD, INC; TEXAN WASTE EQUIPMENT, INC. DBA HEIL OF TEXAS; VERMEER EQUIPMENT OF TEXAS, INC; and ZEITH MOTORS through the Houston-Galveston Area Council, the National Joint Powers Alliance, the Texas Multiple Award Schedule, and the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative, administered by Texas Association of School Boards (BuyBoard) cooperative purchasing programs, to provide vehicles and equipment, for total contract amounts not to exceed \$16,240,000, divided among the contractors.

3. (5/4) [Austin Energy] Approve issuance of a rebate to Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch LLC for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch Apartments located at 5400 Parmer Lane in an amount not to exceed \$128,441 (District 6).
4. (5/4) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of a 48-month contract with GRID SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS, LLC, or one of the other qualified offerors to Request For Proposals GAL0025REBID, to provide consulting expertise for control systems replacement, in an estimated amount of \$1,899,071, with six 12-month extension options in an estimated amount of \$183,488 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.
5. (5/4) [Purchasing] Authorize award and execution of four contracts with POWER SUPPLY INC., TEXAS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES, TECHLINE INC., and HOLZBERG COMMUNICATIONS, to provide capacitor banks and associated parts, with an initial 12 month term, in an estimated amount of \$625,337, with four 12 month extension options in an estimated amount of \$625,337 per extension option, for total contract amounts not to exceed \$3,126,685, divided among the contractors.
6. (5/4) [Purchasing] Authorize an amendment to the contracts with PIKE ELECTRIC INC. and DASHIELL CORPORATION, to provide continued relay installation, maintenance and testing services, to increase the term by three months in an estimated amount of \$800,785, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$3,358,785.
7. (5/4) Authorize negotiation and execution of a 24-month contract with PRIME CONTROLS, L.P., or one of the other qualified offerors to Request for Proposals MEA0306, to provide installation and upgrades for the controls automation systems for Austin Energy's District Cooling Plants, in an estimated amount of \$1,705,000, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount of \$852,500 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,410,000.
8. (5/18) [Economic Development] Authorize negotiation and execution of a commission agreement with Beili Liu, in an amount not to exceed \$202,500 for artwork for the Austin Energy District Cooling Plant #3 Project.
9. (5/18) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of seven contracts with GRAYBAR ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC., CRAWFORD ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY, INC., DEALERS ELECTRICAL SUPPLY, ELLIOTT ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC., FACILITY SOLUTIONS GROUP, INC., HILL COUNTRY ELECTRIC SUPPLY, L.P., and SUMMIT ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO, INC. through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance and the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative, administered by Texas Association of School Boards (BuyBoard) cooperative purchasing programs with an initial term up to 19-months, to provide electrical parts and supplies, in an estimated amount of \$1,740,000, with four 12-month extension options, contingent on the cooperative availability, in an estimated amount of \$1,100,000 per extension option, for total contract amounts not to exceed \$6,140,000, divided among the contractors.
10. (5/18) Authorize negotiation and execution of two contracts with ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERT CO. and WRIGHT TREE SERVICE INC., or one of the other qualified offerors to Request For Proposals TVN0062, to provide energized distribution line clearance services, with an initial 24-month term in an estimated amount of \$34,000,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount of \$12,000,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$70,000,000, divided between the contractors.
11. (5/18) Authorize negotiation and execution of a 24-month contract with ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERT CO., or one of the other qualified offerors to Request For Proposals TVN0061, to provide energized transmission line clearance services, in an estimated amount of \$6,000,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount of \$2,500,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$13,500,000.

12. (5/18) Authorize award and execution of a 12-month contract with NOLAN POWER GROUP, LLC, to provide 130 volt battery banks and battery testing services, in an estimated amount of \$381,721, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount of \$381,721 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,908,605.

#### **STAFF REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS**

13. Presentation regarding the Business Excellence section of the Austin Energy Monthly Performance Measure Dashboard -- **provided by Deputy General Managers Mark Dombroski and Elaina Ball**
14. Overview of the Budget Process -- **provided by Deputy General Manager Mark Dombroski**
15. Presentation regarding Commercial Value of Solar -- **provided by Solar Manager Danielle Murray**
16. Presentation regarding Solar Ready Amendment -- **provided by Green Building and Emerging Technologies Manager Kurt Stogdill**
17. Update regarding the 2016 Update to the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2025 -- **provided by Vice President Khalil Shalabi**

#### **ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

18. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2016 Update to the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2025. (Osborne, Hadden)

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

19. Report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.
20. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items.
  - **Ferchill: EUC Education**
  - **Osborne: Elections once all appointments made**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.**