



Low-Income Community Solar Discount Proposal

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Community Solar Program

- AE's Community Solar program launched Dec 2016 with the 185 kW Palmer solar array; 2.5 MW La Loma project under construction
- Residential customers can subscribe to the program, pay Community Solar Adjustment instead of Power Supply Adjustment (PSA) on their bill
- Community Solar rate is fixed for 15 years, stabilizing participants' power supply costs, and providing an opportunity to save money over the long run
- The Community Solar rate is currently a premium over the PSA, adding \$10-19 to the average participant's bill
- Proposing a low-income carve out at a discounted rate to expand access to underserved markets, per Council Resolution No. 20171005-033.





Low Income Community Solar Carve Out

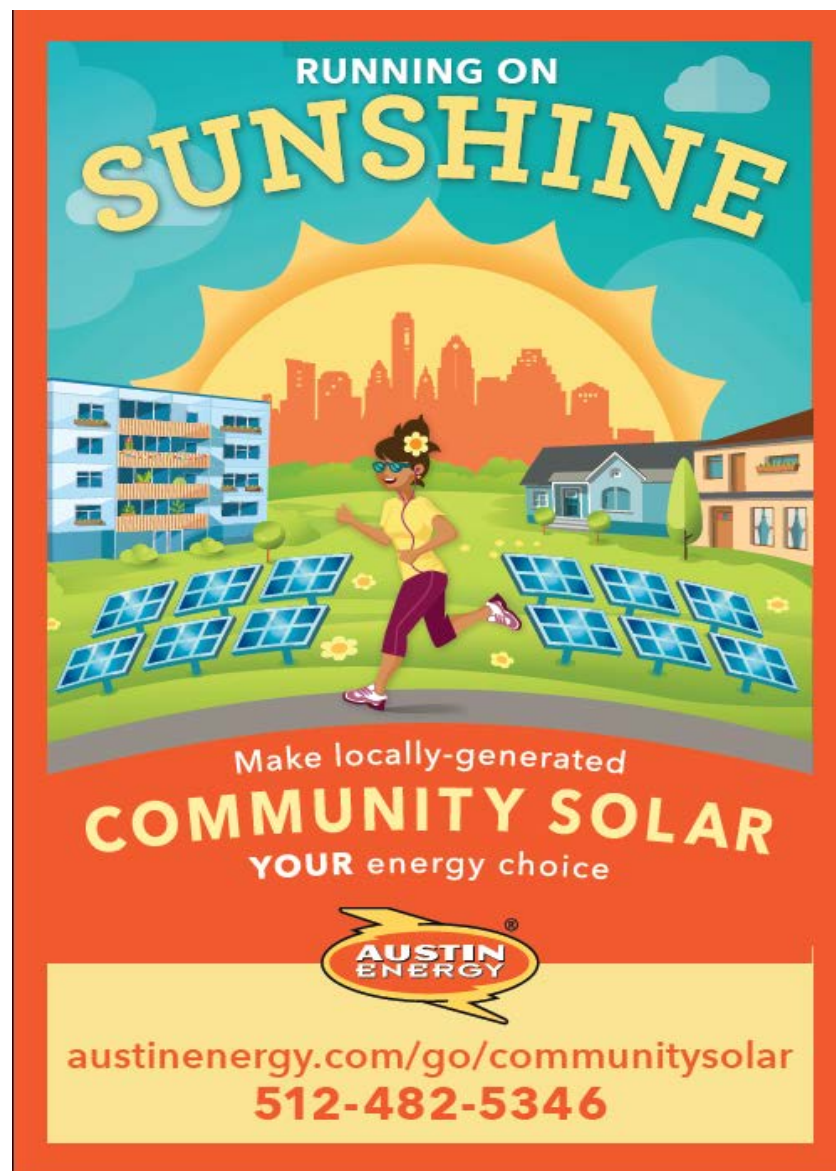
Proposal: Allocate half of La Loma capacity to CAP customers at 1.5 cent/kWh discount

	Market-Rate	Low-Income
Capacity (MW)	1.25 MW	1.25 MW
Est. # of Participants	200	200
Community Solar Rate	\$0.0427 / kWh	\$0.0277 / kWh
Δ vs 2018 PSA	+\$0.013 / kWh	-\$0.002 / kWh
Eligibility	Any residential customer that opts-in, while capacity remains.	Income-verified CAP customers that opt-in before 3/31/18, while capacity remains.
Terms	15 years, fixed. Moves with customer w/in AE territory. May cancel at any time without penalty.	15 years, fixed, so long as in CAP program. Moves with customer w/in AE territory. May transfer to market rate if no longer CAP customer. May cancel at any time without penalty.



Next Steps

- Refine customer eligibility
- Finalize tariff revision language and RCA
- Revised tariff to EUC Dec 11 and Council Dec 14 for public hearing and approval
- Billing project to add new rate to CCB
- Outreach to CAP community
- CAP customers enrolled in February





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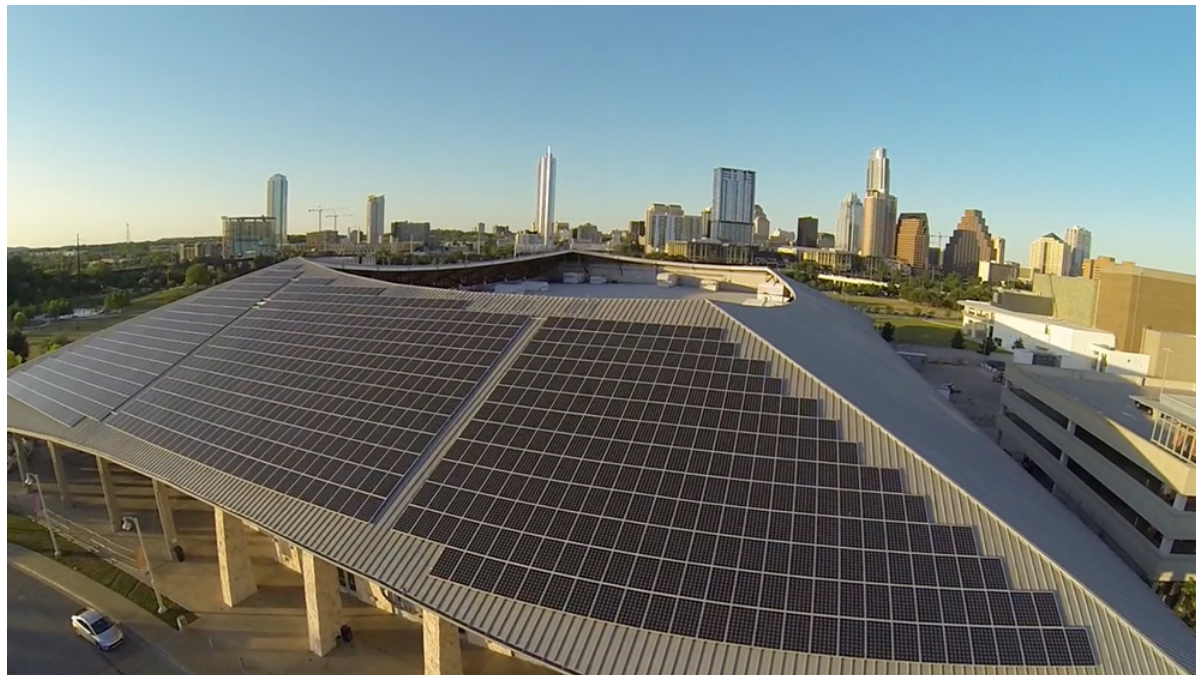


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