



Electric Utility Commission

October 16, 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 6:08 pm. Commissioners Boyle, Ferchill, Osborne, Reel, Tuttle, and Zell were also in attendance, with Fath, Stout and Wray absent and one vacancy.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: *None*

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Approve minutes of the September 18, 2017 regular meeting. **Motion (Ferchill) to approve the minutes; seconded (Osborne); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Fath, Stout and Wray absent and one vacancy.**

NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT

Staff postponed Items 2 and 3 to November. Motion to approve consent Items 4-10 (Osborne); seconded (Ferchill); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Fath, Stout and Wray absent and one vacancy. Following discussion, motion to recommend approval of Item 11 (Osborne); seconded (Reel); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Fath, Stout and Wray absent and one vacancy.

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

2. (11/9) Approve issuance of a rebate to CL Arrangement LP, for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Array Apartments located at 2000 Burton Drive, in an amount not to exceed \$184,667. (District 3)
3. (11/9) Approve issuance of a rebate to Starwood Capital Group, for performing energy efficiency improvements at Mission Grace Woods located at 3209 South I-35, in an amount not to exceed \$195,427. (District 3)
4. (11/9) Authorize negotiation and execution of a Job Order Assignment with Hensel Phelps, one of the City's Facilities Improvement Job Order Contractors, for the On-Site Energy Resources Austin Marriott Downtown, for a total amount not to exceed \$855,000. [Capital Contracting]
5. (11/9) Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Southwest Corporation, for the Gilleland Creek Substation Control House Project, in the amount of \$254,243. [Capital Contracting]
6. (11/9) Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with KBS Electric Inc., to provide transformer load tap changer parts, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$340,619.
7. (11/9) Authorize award and execution of a contract with Dejana Truck & Utility Equipment Company, LLC, to provide a self-propelled cable reel trailer, in an amount not to exceed \$254,197.
8. (11/9) Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc., to continue to support hosting services and related adjuncts and interfaces for the existing customer service request system, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.
9. (11/9) [Various Depts; AE's portion \$375,000] Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Empire Roofing Companies, Inc., to provide roofing maintenance, repair, and parts services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,125,000.

10. (11/9) Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Maldonado Nursery and Landscaping Inc., to provide grounds maintenance services for Austin Energy power plants, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$475,000.
11. (11/9) Authorize negotiation and execution of multi-term contracts with Account Control Technology, Inc., Credit Protection Association, L.P., and Transworld Systems, Inc., to provide primary level collection of delinquent utility accounts; and a multi-term contract with Penn Credit Corporation, to provide secondary level collection of delinquent utility accounts, each for up to five years for combined total contract amounts not to exceed \$4,650,000; divided among the contractors.

STAFF REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS

Dan Smith, Vice President, Electric Service Delivery presented on Items 12 – 14; Elaina Ball, COO assisted with questions.

12. Presentation regarding the Grid Modernization section of the Austin Energy Monthly Performance Measure Dashboard.
13. Presentation regarding downtown electric infrastructure needs.
14. Update regarding Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria.

ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

15. Discussion and possible action regarding EUC Annual Internal Review. (Hadden, Ferchill)
Following discussion, motion (Reel) to recommend approval of Item 15 with the following additions to Section 3; seconded (Boyle); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Fath, Stout and Wray absent and one vacancy:
 - **Create and execute an EV Working Group strategic plan**
 - **Provide public oversight over asset retirements and decommissioning**
 - **Review Commission bylaws**
16. Update regarding EV Working Group. (Osborne, Hadden)
Members noted that they added a non-EUC member, Joep Meijer; held two meetings; estimated six months to complete work; and are arranging for University research.

OTHER BUSINESS

17. Report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.
18. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items.
 - **Osborne: Discussion of items potentially requiring an executive session, with input from City Legal**
 - **Reel: Potential topics for above include (1) cyber and physical security, and (2) status of transmission upgrades**
 - **Tuttle: Discussion regarding disposition of Decker property following asset retirement**
 - **Zell: Communications strategies (e.g., use of social media; Website content)**

Zell announced this will be her last meeting, having accepted a position with E ON Climate and Renewables as a Wind Analyst. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.