



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES MARCH 20, 2018

The Resource Management Commission convened a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, in Austin, Texas.

Commissioners in Attendance: Leo Dielmann (Chair), Cyrus Reed (Vice Chair), James Babyak, Rebecca Brenneman, Tom “Smitty” Smith and Kaiba White. Scott Kohan and Derrick Lesnau were absent. Three vacancies exist on the Commission (Mayor, District 4 and District 8).

Staff in Attendance: Debbie Kimberly, Danielle Murray and Toye Goodson of Austin Energy; Mark Jordan of Austin Water; Larry Graham and Hayley Cunningham of Texas Gas Service.

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Dielmann called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

Roberto Contreras and Moore McDonough of 360 Energy Savers, LLC, expressed concerns about operations of Austin Energy’s low income weatherization program.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve minutes of the February 20, 2018 regular meeting.

Motion to approve by Chair Dielmann, seconded by Commissioner Smith, passed on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Kohan and Lesnau absent and three vacancies.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Recommend execution of an agreement with Austin Independent School District to provide performance-based incentives for the generation of solar energy at its facilities located at: Boone Elementary School, 8101 Croftwood Drive; Galindo Elementary School, 3800 South 2nd Street; Kocurek Elementary School, 9800 Curlew Drive; and Paredes Middle School, 10001 David Moore Drive, for an estimated \$100,929 per year, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,009,290 over a 10-year period. (Districts 3, 5, 8)

Motion to approve by Chair Dielmann, seconded by Commissioner White, passed on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Kohan and Lesnau absent and three vacancies.

b. Recommend execution of agreements with Foundation Communities and Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation to provide incentives for installing solar electric systems on three multifamily affordable housing facilities located at 813 East 8th Street, 1200 Paul Theresa Saldana Street and 11015 Four Points Drive, for a total amount not to exceed \$502,600. (Districts 1, 3, 6) (Related to Item 4a.) **Motion to approve, noting a correction on the Fact Sheet for project on East 8th Street, by Commissioner White, seconded by Vice Chair Reed, passed on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Kohan and Lesnau absent and three vacancies. The Fact Sheet should read “214,494 kWh of savings instead of 79,882 kWh.**

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a.** Update from Austin Energy regarding Resolution No. 20171005-033 to expand access to solar to underserved markets by Danielle Murray, Solar Program Manager.
- b.** Quarterly Update from Texas Gas Service by Larry Graham and Hayley Cunningham.
- c.** Quarterly Update from Austin Water by Mark Jordan, Conservation Program Coordinator.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners requested the following topics and briefings: a timeline for studies included in the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan; a better understanding of energy code inspections, including the solar-ready amendment, and whether the code is being enforced; an overview of multi-family low income energy efficiency programs; and a presentation on changing the code requiring natural gas connection for residential developments.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Dielmann adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:28 p.m.