



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019

The Resource Management Commission convened a meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, in Austin, Texas.

Commissioners in Attendance: Leo Dielmann, Chair (District 7), Jonathan Blackburn (District 8), Lisa Chavarria (Mayor), Nakyshia Fralin (District 1), Dana Harmon (District 9), Shane Johnson (District 4), Scott Kohan (District 3) and Tom “Smitty” Smith (District 5). Kaiba White, Vice Chair (District 2), James Babyak (District 6) and Rebecca Brenneman (District 10) were absent.

Staff in Attendance: Michael Enger, Denise Kuehn, Liz Jambor, Manny Garza, Kurt Stogdill, Jamie Mitchell, and Toye Goodson of Austin Energy.

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

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

Consent Items:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of the June 18, 2019 meeting.

The motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2019 meeting was approved on consent on Chair Dielmann’s motion, Commissioner Kohan’s second, on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Babyak and Brenneman and Vice Chair White absent.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-year power purchase agreement with Raymond Wind Farm, LLC, an E.ON Climate & Renewables subsidiary, for up to 200 megawatts of electricity from a utility-scale wind-generation facility, in an estimated amount of up to \$17,000,000 per year, for a total estimated amount of up to \$204,000,000.

The motion, by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Chair Dielmann, to recommend approval of a power purchase agreement with Raymond Wind Farm/E.ON Climate & Renewables contingent upon the project not being located in the flyway or including shut-off provisions in case of a migratory event, was approved on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Blackburn and Chavarria recused and Commissioners Babyak and Brenneman and Vice Chair White absent.

3. Approve issuance of a rebate to Costco Wholesale Corp., for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Costco facility located at 10401 Research Blvd., in an amount not to exceed \$73,877. (District 7)
The motion to recommend approval of a rebate to Costco was approved on consent on Chair Dielmann’s motion, Commissioner Kohan’s second, on an 8-0 vote, with Vice Chair White and Commissioners Babyak and Brenneman absent.
4. Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with CLEAResult Consulting Inc. D/B/A CLEAResult, to support Austin Energy’s multifamily energy efficiency programs, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,635,000.
The motion to recommend approval of a contract with CLEAResult was approved on Chair Dielmann’s motion, Commissioner Kohan’s second, on an 8-0 vote, with Vice Chair White and Commissioners Babyak and Brenneman absent.

Non-Consent Items:

STAFF BRIEFING

5. Overview of the Customer Energy Solutions Proposed FY2020 Budget from Denise Kuehn, Director, Energy Efficiency Services, Austin Energy.

WORKING GROUP REPORT

6. Report from the Resource Management Commission's Access to Solar Working Group. (Members: Vice Chair White and Commissioners Brenneman, Harmon, Johnson and Kohan)
Commissioner Johnson said the Working Group plans to identify problems, complete a community needs assessment, conduct research and develop recommendations for the FY20 Budget and the Resource Plan Update.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Discuss and recommend programs and policies designed to expand access to solar energy for low-income residents, renters, and tenants of multifamily housing. (Sponsors: Vice Chair White and Commissioners Smith and Brenneman).
There was no discussion or action; this item will be on next month's agenda.
8. Discuss and approve the Annual Internal Review and Report 2018-19.
The motion to recommend approval of the annual report, including changes to the goals and objectives discussed and recorded at the meeting tonight, was approved on Chair Dielmann's motion, Commissioner Harmon's second, on an 8-0 vote, with Vice Chair White and Commissioners Babyak and Brenneman absent.
The changes to Section 3 of the annual report are shown on the attached document.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. Discuss potential topics for future agendas.
Next month's agenda includes: action on the proposed FY20 budget for Customer Energy Solutions; possible recommendations from the Access to Solar Working Group; and Texas Gas Service Quarterly Update.
Commissioner Kohan requested information about green roofs and Commissioner Johnson asked about adding language about societal equity to the commission's bylaws.

ADJOURN – Chair Dielmann adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.