

## October 14, 2019 Minutes

The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened a regularly scheduled meeting at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin. Meeting called to order by Chair Ferchill at 6:03pm. Commissioners Boyle, Hadden, Reed, Stone, Tuttle, Weldon and Wray were present; Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser were absent.

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL** – Dale Bulla (support EVs as industry expands); Gene Preston (support local solar initiatives); Al Braden (Resource Plan Working Group scenarios); Carol Biedrzycki and Tim Arndt (Item 3 {comprehensive rebate authorization}); Beki and Richard Halpin (operation of Fayette Power Plant).

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approve minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting. **Motion (Reed) to approve minutes; seconded (Weldon); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser absent.** 

## **NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT**

( ) = Target Council Meeting Date

Motion (Hadden) to approve items 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; seconded (Wray); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser absent. Following discussion, the following actions occurred:

- Item 3: Motion (Wray) to approve; seconded (Weldon); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser absent; and
- Item 9: Motion (Reed) to approve; seconded (Ferchill); passed on a vote of 6-1-1, with Commissioner Wray recused and Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser absent.
- 2. (10/17) [Capital Contracting] Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc. (MBE), for the District Cooling Plant II Exterior Tile Repair Rebid project, in the amount of \$470,955 plus a \$47,095.50 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$518,050.50.
- 3. (10/31) [Austin Energy] Authorize issuance of energy efficiency program rebates during Fiscal Year 2019-20, in an amount not to exceed \$2,120,000 for multifamily energy efficiency rebates and \$2,335,000 for commercial energy efficiency rebates, for a total combined amount not to exceed \$4,455,000.
- 4. (10/31) [Austin Energy] Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire a permanent electric transmission and distribution easement and substation access easement consisting of approximately 7.687 acres or 334,847 square feet of land; a permanent electric transmission and distribution easement consisting of approximately 0.216 acres or 9,930 square feet of land; and a fee simple

Northeast Substation site consisting of approximately 5.575 acres or 242,687 square feet of land out of the Marquita Castro Survey Number 50, Abstract Number 160, for the relocation of a portion of Austin Energy Transmission Circuit 975 located along Howard Lane in Travis County, Texas, and being a portion of that called 364.305 acres of land described to RH Pioneer North, LLC and recorded in Document No. 2017178604, Official Public Records, Travis County, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$893,000, including standard and customary closing costs.

- 5. (11/14) [Purchasing Office] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with GAC Equipment LLC D/B/A Austin Crane Service, to provide industrial crane services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,800,000.
- 6. (11/14) [Purchasing Office] Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Great Western Managed Services Corporation (WBE), or one of the other qualified offerors to Request For Proposals 1100 JMF3001REBID, to provide grounds maintenance services for Austin Energy substations and adjacent areas, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$600,000.
- 7. (11/14) [Purchasing Office] Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with SimGenics, LLC, to provide onsite power plant simulator training, for up to five years in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.
- 8. (11/14) [Purchasing Office] Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term cooperative contract with Oracle America, Inc., to provide technical cloud analytic services, for up to three years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,208,000.
- 9. (11/14) [Purchasing Office] Authorize negotiation and execution of a cooperative contract with Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. D/B/A Sirius Computer Solutions, for the purchase of International Business Machines' software licenses, maintenance and support, software as a service, subscription services, and related professional services, for a term of four years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$43,000,000.

## ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- 10. Resource Plan Working Group update. (Hadden, Ferchill) **Chair Ferchill provided update** on Working Group, including meeting schedule, timeline and that scenarios are under development. This will be standing item until complete.
- 11. Discussion regarding FPP Operational data. (Weldon, Ferchill) **Commissioner Weldon** provided his own presentation on FPP in effort to promote reducing operations to reduce emissions.
- 12. Climate Emergency Resolution Working Group update. (Wray, Hadden) Commissioner Wray provided brief update and requested item be included on future agendas.

## OTHER BUSINESS

13. Approve proposed meeting schedule for 2020.

Motion (Hadden) to approve 2020 meeting schedule; seconded (Wray); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Collier-Brown, Funkhouser and Stone absent.

14. Report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.

- 15. Discuss potential future agenda items.
  - Tuttle: Provide update on Council's EV Resolution
  - Reed: Provide update on CAP expansion
  - Hadden: Request Sustainability Office to provide update on Climate Resolution

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.