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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1618, Agenda Item #: 2.

3/26/2020

Posting Language

Approve the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2030.

Lead Department

Austin Energy

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

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Council Committee. Boards and Commission Action:

March 9, 2020- Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission (8-0, with Commissioners Collier-Brown, Funkhouser and Wray absent) and the Resource Management Commission (10-0, with one vacancy) with additional items recommended as noted in the EUC/RMC Recommendations 20200309-002.

Additional Backup Information:

Austin Energy requests approval of the Austin Energy Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to 2030 ("Resource Plan")

The recommendations were developed by the Electric Utility Commission Resource Planning Working Group in collaboration with Austin Energy staff. The Working Group is composed of community members representing the Electric Utility Commission and Resource Management Commission; advocates for the environment, low-income customers and small businesses; and representatives of large commercial customers. The Working Group met 10 times over a period of 6 months and approved the Resource Plan unanimously.

The process of updating the Resource Plan involves extensive analysis of the expected risks, costs and opportunities regarding Austin Energy's generation fleet. The Resource Plan is a road map for the management of Austin Energy's generation resources and is intended to be flexible and dynamic, allowing it to reflect changing circumstances. It brings together demand and energy management options over the planning horizon. As always, execution of individual elements of the Resource Plan will be subject to affordability impacts and Council approval.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.