



**AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
August 19, 2020**

The Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Leslie Pool called the committee meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Committee Members in attendance:

Council Member Kathie Tovo, Chair
Council Member Leslie Pool, Vice Chair
Mayor Steve Adler
Council Member Alison Alter
Council Member Gregorio Casar
Council Member Paige Ellis
Mayor Pro Tem Delia Garza
Council Member Sabino “Pio” Renteria

Committee Members absent:

Council Member Jimmy Flannigan
Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison
Council Member Ann Kitchen

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no speakers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approve the minutes of the June 1, 2020 Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee meeting.**

The minutes of the June 1, 2020 meeting were approved on Council Member Alter’s motion, and Council Member Renteria’s second, on a 7-0 vote. Council Members Flannigan, Harper-Madison and Kitchen were off the dais.

BRIEFINGS

- 2. General Manager’s report:**

- Plus 1 Emergency Financial Support Program: Update on the amount of customers that have received financial assistance since June 1 and amount of utility bill relief that has been processed.

- Upcoming Requests for Council Action; provided information on five upcoming items for Council consideration.
- Innovations, events, and awards: The City of Austin is the 2020 Recipient of the North American E-Visionary Award; recognition of the staff that went to the Rio Grande Valley to assist with Hurricane Hanna response.
- Provided an update that Council would soon be provided a memo regarding the Rate Adequacy Review.

(Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Kathie Tovo, CO 1: Council Member Leslie Pool, CO 2: Mayor Steve Adler)

3. Second Quarter Financial Briefing

Rusty Maenuis, Acting Chief Financial and Risk Officer provided the briefing.

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4. Second Quarter Operations Briefing

Charles Dickerson, Deputy General Manager, Chief Operating Officer provided the briefing.

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5. Decker Creek Power Station workforce planning

Charles Dickerson, Deputy General Manager, Chief Operating Officer provided the update. Discussion stated additional online classes had been added, and a virtual All Hands meeting would be taking place on August 25th.

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FUTURE ITEMS

6. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Garza requested a presentation on the Tesla plant, specifically about any partnerships, internships or job opportunities that may be available.

ADJOURN

Chair Tovo adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m. without objection.

These minutes were approved at the October 21, 2020 meeting on Council Member Renteria's motion and Council Member Ellis's second, on an 8-0 vote. Council Members Flannigan, Garza and Harper-Madison were off the dais.