



Electric Utility Commission October 12, 2020 Minutes

The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened a regularly scheduled meeting via videoconference/Webex. Meeting called to order by Chair Hopkins at 1:03 p.m. Also present were Commissioners Boyle, Ferchill, Reed, Trostle, Tuttle and Weldon. Commissioner Hadden arrived after Item 13. Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray were absent.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approve minutes of the September 14, 2020 regular meeting. **Motion (Reed) to approve minutes; seconded (Trostle) passed on a vote of 6-0, with Commissioners Ferchill and Hadden off the dais and Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray absent.**

NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT

() = Target Council Meeting Date; [] = RCA Type

Motion (Trostle) to recommend consent agenda Items 2 - 8 and 10 - 11; seconded (Weldon); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Commissioner Hadden off the dais and Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray absent. Following discussion, motion (Reed) to recommend Item 9; seconded (Ferchill); passed on a vote of 7-0, with Commissioner Hadden off the dais and Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray absent.

2. (10/15) [Capital Contracting Office] Authorize negotiation and execution of a Design Build Agreement with Stellar Energy Americas, Inc. for design and construction services for the Mueller Energy Center Chiller Capacity Addition in an amount not to exceed \$15,600,000.
3. (10/29) [Austin Energy] Authorize reimbursement of costs to GBD Properties Inc. for the engineering, purchase and installation of a service pipe connection to interconnect the second phase of the Shoal Creek Walk Building to the Austin Energy (AE) downtown District Cooling System in an amount not to exceed \$175,616.
4. (11/12) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Atlas Copco Compressors LLC, for preventative maintenance and repair services for air compressors, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$440,000.
5. (11/12) [Purchasing] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Absolute Testing Services Inc, to provide installation, repair and testing of electrical systems for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.
6. (11/12) [Purchasing] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc, to provide substation signs, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$550,000.
7. (11/12) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of three multi-term contracts with Asplundh Tree Expert LLC, Davey Tree Surgery Co, and Wright Tree Service, Inc, to provide

vegetation management services on distribution energized lines, each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$85,000,000 divided among the contractors.

8. (11/12) [Purchasing] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Techline Inc. for vacuum interrupter switches, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,518,000.
9. (11/12) [Capital Contracting Office] Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with T. Morales Company Electric & Controls, for Domain District Cooling Plant (DCP) switchgear replacement in the amount of \$3,659,000 plus a \$548,850 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,207,850.
10. (11/12/) [Purchasing: Various depts; AE's portion \$564,000] Authorize award of a contract with Victor Pena D/B/A Pena's Traffic Services, LLC (MBE), to provide rental of temporary traffic control devices and roadway pavement marking services, for a term of two years in an amount not to exceed \$3,280,000.
11. (11/12) [Purchasing: Various depts; AE's portion \$1,350,000] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Expert Relocation Services, LLC, to provide citywide moving and relocation services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,783,500.

STAFF BRIEFINGS & REPORTS

12. Discussion/follow-up regarding SHINES Project update – **provided by William Kelly, Distribution Process Manager – Advanced Grid Technologies and Elton Richards, Interim COO.**
13. Discussion/follow-up regarding Online Customer Care Portal update – **provided by Elaine Veselka, Vice President, Customer Account Management and Kheira Ardjani, IT Systems Consultant.**
14. Discussion/follow-up regarding line clearance practices – **provided by Elton Richards, Interim COO and Joseph Osborne, Line Clearance Superintendent.**

ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

15. Discussion and possible action regarding the Climate Emergency Resolution Working Group [Resolution No. 20190808-078]. (Wray, Hadden)

OTHER BUSINESS

16. Discussion and possible action regarding EUC Annual Review 2019-20. **Tabled**
17. Discussion and possible action regarding 2021 EUC Meeting Schedule.
Motion to approve (Weldon); seconded (Reed); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray absent.
18. Report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.
19. Discuss potential future agenda items:
 - **Tuttle: Discussion re Resiliency**
 - **Reed: (Reiterates) Presentation on multi-family energy efficiency program**

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.