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CM Tovo Budget Rider #6 - Austin Energy Medically Vulnerable Registry

Individuals with significant medical needs and those who rely on medical equipment powered by electricity can become part of Austin Energy's Medically Vulnerable Registry. Individuals who participate in one of the following programs may be eligible:

- Medicaid Program
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Telephone Lifeline Program
- Travis County Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP)
- Medical Access Program (MAP)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)

As the program is currently structured, individuals become registered after they or someone acting for them reaches out to Austin Energy.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

The City Manager shall develop and implement recommendations for making information about the Medically Vulnerable Registry available to a broad range of customers. Possibilities might include in utility bills inserts and providing information to case managers of the programs noted above, in addition to area hospitals and networks of medical practitioners. The City Manager is directed to report back on these recommendations and to provide a timetable for implementation by November 1, 2022.