

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON
AUSTIN ENERGY PROPOSED REDUCTION IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY
SERVICE FEES**

Whereas, the City of Austin has operated energy-efficiency programs since 1982, and these programs have served all rate classes and building types; and

Whereas, exemptions from the Energy Efficiency Services fee will render Austin Energy's energy-efficiency and solar programs less effective; and

Whereas, Austin Energy proposes to create a new commercial rate class (PRI-2 HLF), and exempt this new rate class' customers from the Energy Efficiency Service fee; and

Whereas, customers in this new rate class will benefit from Austin Energy's energy-efficiency and solar programs because of reduction in new capacity, power purchases, regulatory costs, and transmission costs; and

Whereas, customers in this rate class will also benefit from reduced environmental effects caused by conventional power plants; and

Whereas, some of the customers have participated in rebates in the past, or could participate in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Resource Management Commission of the City of Austin advise City Council that if this new rate class is created, customers in this new rate class should be charged the Energy Efficiency Service fee.