



## Item 1

***ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022***

The Electric Utility Commission convened in a Regular meeting on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 4815 Mueller Blvd in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Tuttle called the Electric Utility Commission Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance: Marty Hopkins, Chair; Dave Tuttle, Vice Chair; Cary Ferchill; Makenna Jonker; Marshall Bowen; Cyrus Reed; Kay Trostle

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: Randy Chapman, Karen Hadden

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

There were 11 speakers.

1. Paul Robbins – Spoke about the Base Rate process
2. Roger Borgelt – Spoke about the Base Rate process on behalf of HURF
3. Ben Hallmark – Spoke about the Base Rate process
4. Dale Bulla – Spoke about the base rate process, value of solar, vehicle to grid and savings to Austin energy.
5. Lanetta Cooper- Spoke about the Base Rate process on behalf of 2WR.
6. John Coffman – Spoke about the Base Rate process and provided an update as the Independent Consumer Advocate
7. Christian Fogerty – spoke about the Base Rate process
8. Annie Fierro – spoke about the Base Rate process
9. Chris Hughes – Spoke about the Base Rate process on behalf of NXP
10. Yana Kalmyka – Spoke about the Base Rate process
11. Madeline Kilburn – Spoke about the Base Rate process

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING on October 17, 2022.

**The minutes from the meeting of 10/17/2022 were approved as amended on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Tuttle's second on a (8-0) vote with two vacancies. The amendment was to change \$33.1 to \$31.3 on page 3 of the minutes.**

## **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS**

**The motion to approve recommendation 2 was approved on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Trostle's second on a (8-0-1) vote with Commissioner Hadden abstaining, and two vacancies.**

**The motion to approve recommendations 3, 6, 7 were approved on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Trostle's second on a (9-0) vote with two vacancies.**

**The motion to approve recommendation 4 was approved on Commissioner Bowen's motion, Commissioner Ferchill's second on a (6-2-1) vote with Commissioner Jonker abstaining, and two vacancies.**

**The motion to approve recommendation 5 were approved on Commissioner Trostle's motion, Commissioner Reed's second on a (9-0) vote with two vacancies.**

2. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a contract with Camlin Inc to provide and install a system for monitoring the bushings on a power transformer at Sand Hill Energy Center, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.
3. Recommend authorizing award of a contract with PWR Storage Solutions, LLC d/b/a Power Storage Solutions to provide and install an uninterruptible power supply, stand-alone battery charger, and power conditioning transformer, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.
4. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of two multi-term contracts with Transworld Systems Inc. and I C System Inc. for collection services for delinquent utility accounts each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$3,000,000, divided between the contractors.
5. Recommend authorizing reimbursement of costs to Waller Creek Owner, LLC., for the service pipe connection to interconnect the Waller Building to the Austin Energy (AE) downtown District Cooling System in an amount not to exceed \$2,308,703.
6. Recommend authorizing an amendment to a cooperative contract with Carahsoft Technology Corp. for continued ServiceNow products, services, and software, including maintenance and support, to increase the amount by \$477,040 and to extend the term by four months, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$7,632,090.
7. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Grid Solutions d/b/a GE MDS LLC or GE Grid Solutions LLC or GE Energy Management to upgrade the existing geographical information system software and to provide continued

maintenance and support services, for up to eight years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,455,000.

## **STAFF BRIEFINGS & REPORTS**

8. Staff briefing of the Fourth Quarter Operations Report by Stuart Reilly, Acting Deputy General Manager and Chief Operations Officer.

**The briefing did not occur.**

9. Staff briefing of the Fourth Quarter Financial Report by Stephanie Koudelka, Finance Director.

**The briefing did not occur.**

## **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

10. Discussion and possible action on the 2023 Electric Utility Commission Meeting Schedule.

**The motion to approve the 2023 Electric Utility Commission Meeting Schedule as amended (change March 21, 2022 to March 20, 2023 and June 12, 2022 to June 12, 2023) was approved on Commissioner Hadden's motion, Commissioner Reed's second on a (9-0) vote with two vacancies.**

11. Discussion and possible action on the proposed Base Rate changes.

**The Commission discussed and debated the proposed Base Rate changes and approved two recommendations that were sent to Council. They can be found by accessing these links:**

1. [Recommendation No. 20221114-11A: Austin Energy's Base Rate Proposal](#) This Recommendation was passed on a (9-0) vote with two vacancies.
2. [Recommendation No. 20221114-11B: Austin Energy's Base Rate Proposal](#) This Recommendation was passed on a (6-3) vote with two vacancies.

12. Discussion and possible action on a draft resolution for a limited Resource Generation Plan Update in 2023. (Sponsors: Reed, Trostle)

**The motion to approve the Resolution on a Required Update to the Resource Plan was approved on Commissioner Ferchill's motion, Commissioner Trostle's second on a (9-0) vote with two vacancies.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

13. Discussion of report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.

**There was no discussion.**

#### **WORKING GROUP UPDATE**

14. Update from the Budget & Audit Working Group.

**An update was not provided.**

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**None were identified.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Hopkins adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m. without objection.**

“The minutes were approved at the January 09, 2023, meeting of the Electric Utility Commission on Commissioner Ferchill’s motion and Commissioner Reed’s second on a (7-0) vote with Commissions Hopkins and Bowen absent and two vacancies.”