



**ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, October 16, 2023**

The Electric Utility Commission convened in a Regular Called meeting on Monday, October 16, 2023, at Austin Energy Headquarters, 4815 Mueller Blvd, Austin, TX 78723.

Chair Dave Tuttle called the Electric Utility Commission meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance: Dave Tuttle, Chair; Cyrus Reed, Cesar Benavides, Jonathon Blackburn

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: Kaiba White, Vice Chair; Raul Alvarez; Jeremy Seibert, Kay Trostle

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were four speakers under general communications.

Dale Bulla spoke about Fayette Power Plant and pollution.

Bruce Naylor spoke about research and innovation and allocations of human resources.

Shane Johnson spoke on Agenda Item 2.

Karen Hadden spoke about the Generation Plan public meetings.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Electric Utility Commission Regular Meeting on September 11, 2023.

The motion approving the minutes of the Electric Utility Commission meeting of September 11, 2023, were approved on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Blackburn second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Bowen and Chapman absent and one vacancy.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS

The motion to approve recommendation 2 was approved on Commissioner Blackburn's motion, Commissioner Benavides's second on a (7-1) vote with Commissioner White voting against, Commissioners Bowen and Chapman absent and one vacancy.

The motion to approve recommendations 3-5 was approved on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Blackburn's second on a (8-0) vote with Commissioners Bowen and Chapman absent and one vacancy.

The motion to approve recommendation 6 was approved on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Tuttle's second on a (8-0) vote with Commissioners Bowen and Chapman absent and one vacancy.

2. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a contract for simple cycle generator testing, repair, and maintenance with Baseload Power Generation Parts and Services, LLC, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.
3. Recommend authorizing execution of a multi-term contract to provide air filters with Filter Technology Co. Inc., for up to six years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000.
4. Recommend authorizing execution of four multi-term contracts to provide polyvinyl chloride conduit and accessories, with Forwawteh I Kalloh D/B/A Greenville Enterprises LLC, Graybar Electric Company, Inc D/B/A Graybar, Texas Electric Cooperatives and Turtle & Hughes, Inc D/B/A Turtle & Hughes for up to five years, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,400,000 divided among the contractors.
5. Recommend authorizing execution of a construction contract for Austin Energy-SCC Roof Replacement project, with Port Enterprises, Ltd. in the amount of \$1,945,000.00 plus a \$194,500.00 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,139,500.00.
6. Approve the 2024 Electric Utility Commission Meeting Schedule.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

7. Staff briefing on the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code by Richard G  nec  , Vice President of Customer Energy Solutions.

The presentation was made by Richard G  nec  , Vice President of Customer Energy Solutions and Heidi Kasper, Interim Manager of Green Building and Sustainability.

8. Staff briefing on the Resource Generation Plan Update by Michael Enger, Interim Vice President of Market Operations & Resource Planning.

The presentation was made by Michael Enger, Interim Vice President of Market Operations & Resource Planning; Yasmin Turk, Community Engagement Consultant; S. Babu Chakka, Manager of Energy Market Analysis & Resource Planning; and Sara Norris, Director of Energy Efficiency Services.

WORKING GROUP UPDATE

9. Update from Budget & Audit Working Group
There was no update.
10. Update from the Resource Planning Working Group

The Working Group has met 3 times, their website, <https://austineucresourceplanningwg.org/> has all the resources, questions, presentations. The next meeting will be on October 24. The working group hasn't

made any recommendations to AE yet, but they are using time to talk about the plan. Starting in November after seeing the draft, they will start working on making recommendations. They thanked AE for use of space to meet and use of technology to hold virtual meeting. Anyone interested in participating should reach out to Cyrus/Kaiba for meeting details.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

11. Discussion and prioritization from future agenda items list for EUC meeting planning.

- **The Commission discussed the current list of future agenda items and will continue to review the list and add items for discussion at future meetings.**
- **Commissioner Seibert asked for the Customer Communication Strategy to be added to the November agenda if time allows. Staff will work to schedule.**
- **Commissioner White asked about the GreenChoice program and staff responded that the RMC was taking up that item and referred her there.**
- **Commissioner Alvarez said he would like more presentations about other programs AE has such as 311 and CAP. Staff will work to schedule.**
- **Commissioner Reed asked about the After-Action Report, staff reported that AE was not the lead department on that, so we only have the memo, which has already been sent to the EUC.**
- **Commissioner Reed also asked about the Vegetation Management Audit, but staff responded that has already been completed by the Auditors office and reported to the Council Audit and Finance Committee.**

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

There was no discussion.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

311 overview (Alvarez)

CAP overview (Alvarez)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tuttle adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the November 13, 2023 meeting on Commissioner Reed's motion, Commissioner Chapman's second on a (7-0) vote with Commissioners Alvarez, Blackburn and Seibert absent and one vacancy.