

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION FEBRUARY 12, 2024 • 6:00 PM AUSTIN ENERGY HEADQUARTERS/SHUDDE FATH CONFERENCE ROOM 4815 MUELLER BLVD AUSTIN, TEXAS

# Some members of the Electric Utility Commission maybe participating by videoconference.

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely by telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation. To register contact Robin Otto, at <a href="Robin.Otto@austinenergy.com">Robin.Otto@austinenergy.com</a> or via phone at 512-322-6254.

# **AGENDA**

# Members:

Dave Tuttle, ChairJonathon BlackburnVacantKaiba White, Vice ChairRandy ChapmanVacantRaul AlvarezMick LongVacantCesar BenavidesCyrus Reed

# **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

# **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 5 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Electric Utility Commission Special Called meeting on January 22, 2024.

# **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

- 2. Recommend authorizing execution of a contract for construction services, for the Kramer Lane Substation project with Capital Excavation Company, in the amount of \$12,272,916 plus a \$1,227,291 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$13,500,207.
- 3. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a contract for an underground feasibility and overhead distribution resilience study with Burns & McDonnel Engineering Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,725,000.
- 4. Recommend authorizing an amendment to the 2023 Chilled Water Construction in the Right-of-Way Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity construction contract with DeNucci Constructors to increase the amount by \$6,250,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$31,250,000.

- 5. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a multi-term cooperative contract to provide rental of industrial equipment with United Rentals (North America) Inc, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,500,000.
- 6. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a contract for Splunk cyber security software products and services, with GTS Technology Solutions, Inc., for a term of three years in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.
- 7. Recommend authorizing execution of a contract for construction services with Alpha Paving Industries, LLC to provide a New Austin Energy Pole Yard at St. Elmo Service Center in the amount of \$312,470, plus a \$31,247 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$343,717.
- 8. Recommend authorizing execution of a contract for ION meters with Dealers Electrical Supply d/b/a Dealers Electrical Supply Co, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.
- 9. Recommend authorizing execution of a contract for construction services for the Brazos Street Duct Bank Civil Work project with Facilities Rehabilitation Inc., in the amount of \$1,967,535 plus a \$196,754 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,164,289.
- 10. Recommend approving issuance of a capacity-based incentive to KMFA Station, for the installation of solar electric systems on their facilities located at 41 Navasota St, Austin, TX, 78702, in an amount not to exceed \$80,676.
- 11. Recommend approving issuance of a capacity-based incentive to Kensington Apartments, LLC, for the installation of solar electric systems on their facility located at 3300 Manor Rd Austin, TX, 78723, in an amount not to exceed \$184,802.
- 12. Recommend approving issuance of \$90,000 to the Texas Solar Energy Society for their Pathways Pilot Program to demonstrate how Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding can now be applied to solar installations in Austin Energy service territory.
- 13. Recommend approving issuance of a 5-year performance-based incentive to Starwood Capital Group LLC, for the installation of solar electric systems on their facilities shown in the table below, in an amount not to exceed \$2,142,861.70.
- 14. Recommend authorizing expenditures for annual renewals of professional dues and memberships in national and state associations and organizations related to the electric utility industry, in an amount not to exceed \$425,000.
- 15. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of a contract for software licensing, support, upgrades, and professional services with SSP Innovations, LLC, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$575,000.
- 16. Recommend authorizing negotiation and execution of three contracts for vegetation management around energized distribution lines with Asplundh Tree Expert LLC; Davey Tree Surgery Co, and Wright Tree Service, Inc, for up to 18 months for total contract amounts not to exceed \$28,000,000.

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# WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

17. Report of recommendations by Resource Generation Plan Working Group.

#### STAFF BRIEFINGS

- 18. Staff briefing on the First Quarter Financial Report by Stephanie Koudelka, Finance Director.
- 19. Staff briefing on the First Quarter Operations Report by S Lisa Martin, Deputy General Manager and Chief Operating Officer.
- 20. Staff briefing on the Resource Generation, and Climate Plan by Lisa Martin, Deputy General Manager and Chief Operating Officer.

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 21. Discussion regarding the Resource Generation Plan Working Group recommendations.
- 22. Discussion of report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.

# WORKING GROUP UPDATE

23. Update from the Budget & Audit Working Group

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

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