

Resource Management Commission

Request for Rebate, Research Park Place

August 21, 2007 Vote: 5-0-0-3-1

Motion by:

A. Martinez

Second by:

J. Beckage

For:

K. Strnad, C. Herbert, G. Hsieh

Against:

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Abstain:

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Absent:

A. Donoho, R. Amato, L. Cunningham

Vacant:

C. Barron

Motion:

Passed

The Resource Management Commission supports the City's Commercial Energy Efficiency Programs and recommends that the City Council approve a rebate in the amount of \$114,530.40 for the installation of high efficiency air conditioning equipment and a reflective roof coating for Research Park Place, located at 12515 Research Blvd in Austin, Texas.

These energy efficiency improvements will reduce the building's peak load by 290.50 kW at a cost of \$394.00/kW. The annual kWh savings are estimated to total 386,678 kWh. These savings are equivalent to an estimated 432,007 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 54 cars from our roadways, or the planting of 8,436 trees or 42 acres of forest in Austin's parks.

The Commercial Energy Efficiency programs are elements of Austin Energy's comprehensive effort to reduce local air pollution through energy conservation, to reduce peak demand, and to assist customers in reducing electric consumption. Within currently approved budget finding levels for commercial conservation rebates, this effort will provide Austin Energy with a constructive market transformation opportunity while adding a value-added service to encourage customer retention. Funds for this rebate will come from the existing commercial rebate budget, therefore there is no anticipated fiscal impact.

Approved, Adan Martinez, Chair

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