

AGENDA



Thursday, September 27, 2007

**Austin Energy
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 3**

Subject: Approve the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate in the amount of \$60,165 to SPORTSMAN'S FINEST, Austin, TX, for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system at its facility located at 12434 FM 2244.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of Austin Energy Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Fred Yebra, Director, Demand Side Management / 482-5305; Leslie Libby, Solar Rebate Program Manager / 482-5390.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Resource Management Commission and the Electric Utility Commission.

Austin Energy requests authorization to issue a Letter of Intent in the amount of \$60,165 to Sportsman's Finest for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system, in accordance with the City of Austin's Solar Rebate Program guidelines. The program is one element of Austin Energy's comprehensive Strategic Plan approved in December 2003.

Sportsman's Finest, a hunting and fishing retail establishment, is located at 12434 FM 2244. The solar equipment, which meets all Austin Energy program requirements, includes 80 solar modules rated at 175 watts each, and the associated inverter is rated at 95.5% efficiency. The solar photovoltaic equipment installed is estimated to provide yearly energy savings of 17,163 kWh.

The City will not exceed the rebate offer of \$60,165 should the final installed measures be eligible for a higher rebate at the time of the final inspection due to changes in quantity or efficiency of equipment.