Thursday, December 6, 2007

Austin Energy RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 6

Subject: Authorize reimbursement of costs to SPRING AUSTIN PARTNERS, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership, for the purchase and installation of heat exchanger(s), associated piping and modifications to existing building air conditioning equipment needed to interconnect this building to the Austin Energy district cooling system in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Improvement Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Cliff Braddock, Director of Energy Business Development, 322-6302; Jim Collins, Director, On-Site Energy Services, 322-6426

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

Austin Energy has executed an agreement with Spring Austin Partners, Ltd., a Texas limited Partnership, to provide Austin Energy's chilled water cooling services to new construction of a residential condominium project located at 300 Bowie, Austin, TX 78701.

Austin Energy seeks authorization to complete the purchase of the heat exchanger(s) and related piping. Austin Energy will recover the cost for these reimbursable items as a part of the multi-year chilled water services agreement negotiated between Austin Energy and Spring Austin Partners, Ltd. To complete this project, Austin Energy will need to extend its district cooling system piping to this location, which will be accomplished through a separate piping installation contractor.