



MEMORANDUM

TO: Toby Futrell, City Manager

FROM: Greg Canally, Budget Officer

DATE: December 13, 2007

SUBJECT: Energy Efficiency Upgrades and Retrofits for Existing Homes and Buildings

Item # 64 on the December 13, 2007 Council Agenda is to approve a resolution establishing a task force to make recommendations for development of an ordinance relating to energy efficiency upgrades and retrofits for existing homes and buildings, and directing the City Manager to bring forward to Council such an ordinance.

This item requires resources and staff from the Law Department, Austin Energy, and the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department. The staff support for this effort includes experts in energy efficiency, environmental, green building, building code and inspection, and legal issues. We estimate this effort will require 5 percent of the work schedule for 10 employees for a period of approximately 12 months. Additionally, it should be noted that this project is not likely to significantly impact timelines for other projects.