



**Resource Management Commission**

Request for Rebate – Hill Country Galleria – Austin, Texas

January 15, 2008

Vote: 6-0-0-2-0

**Motion by:** R. Amato

**Second by:** C. Herbert

**For:** A. Martinez, J. Beckage, L. Cunningham, G. Hsieh

**Against:** 0

**Absent:** A. Donoho, F. Cohagan

**Abstain:** 0

**Vacant:** 0

**Motion:** Passed

The Resource Management Commission supports the City's Commercial Energy Efficiency Programs and recommends the City Council approve the issuance of a rebate to Hill Country Galleria, a new shopping mall, in the amount of \$119,839.35 for the installation of high efficiency air conditioning and reflective roof coating. The facility is located at 4005 FM 620 in Austin, Texas.

The demand (kW) savings associated with the high efficiency equipment installed in this project is estimated at 290.01 kW, at a program cost of \$413.00 per kilowatt saved. The avoided kWh, estimated at 465,338 kWh per year, represents a major benefit to the local environment. These savings are equivalent to an estimated 528,437 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 66 cars from our roadways, or the planting of 10,320 trees or 516 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 funding 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.

  
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Approved, Adan Martinez, Chair

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