

AGENDA



Thursday, January 15, 2009

**Austin Energy
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 4**

Subject: Authorize reimbursement of costs to Second Congress Ltd., a Texas limited Partnership, for the purchase and installation of two heat exchangers to interconnect The Austonian to the Austin Energy district cooling system, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: 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 Second Congress, Ltd., a Texas limited Partnership, to provide chilled water services from Austin Energy's district cooling system to the new construction condominium project known as The Austonian located at 200 Congress Avenue.

Austin Energy seeks authorization to reimburse the project for the purchase and installation of two heat exchangers necessary to complete the chilled water connection. Austin Energy will recover the cost for these reimbursable items as a part of the multi-year chilled water services agreement with this customer.

The contracted peak cooling load of this project is 1400 tons. The annual savings associated with this project using chilled water services over a conventional on-site, air cooled chiller is 504,000 kwh/year. The savings is equivalent to 326 tons of CO2 or the planting of 11,777 trees.