

AUSTIN CITYCOUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

- Discussion regarding possible Austin Energy budget reductions, a cost study for new service and line extension fees and charges, and disconnection/reconnection fees and charges.
 The presentation was made by Larry Weis, General Manager, and Ann Little, Vice President of Finance and Corporate Services, Austin Energy. Bob White, Residential Rate Advocate, was available to answer questions.
- 3. Briefing and discussion regarding revenue regulation and decoupling. The presentation was made by Jim Lazar, Senior Advisor, The Regulatory Assistance Project.
- 4. Discussion and possible action regarding amendments to the rate work session schedule and topics. The motion to move the Potential Preliminary Council Action of Issues from sessions1-4 and the (Dis)connection Fees and Charges to session 5 on the Austin Energy Rate Schedule was approved on Council Member Morrison's motion, Council Member Tovo's second on a 4-0 vote.
- 5. Discussion of the agenda and logistics for the April 14, 2012 electric utility rate work session in Lakeway. Mayor Pro Tem Cole advised Council that the meeting is scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to Noon, in the Lakeway City Hall with a breakfast "meet and greet" to be held at 9:00 a.m.

The following item was not discussed at this meeting.

 Discussion and possible action regarding prior work session topics concerning Austin Energy revenue requirements: financial policies governing Austin Energy's debt service coverage ratio, capital projects debt-to-equity ratio, reserve funds, and interim revenue options; general fund transfer levels and calculation methodology, other transfers, and payments for shared services; distributed generation and energy efficiency goals, and the design and funding of low-income electric customer assistance programs.

Council Member Spelman adjourned the meeting at 4:47 p.m. without objection.

The minutes for the special work session of April 3, 2012 were approved on this the 12th day of April 2012 on Council Member Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-Ovote