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WEATHERIZATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, June 18, 2013

The Weatherization committee convened on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street in the Executive Session Room, # 1027 in Austin, Texas.

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair, Ms. Anne Harutunian called the Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Board Members in attendance were Anne Harutunian and Barbra Boeta.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from May 21, 2013 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Ms. Boeta and second by Ms. Harutunian. Motion passed 2-0.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no citizen's communications.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 3a. Discussions with Austin Energy staff regarding data collection on multi-family units participating in Austin Energy's Multi-family Energy Efficiency Program.

Ms. Debra Kimberly, VP of Distributed Energy, Austin Energy presented the Committee a memorandum to Mayor, City Council Members, and City Manager from Larry Weis, Austin Energy's General Manager addressing Council Resolution 20121213-068. The memo provides additional information, research, and feedback related to the relationship between energy efficiency rebates and rent changes that may arise as a consequence of efficiency improvements. Since there are many drivers to increase rents, AE will compile a data collection plan that may include additional data from a third party. AE plans to provide a data collection plan to Council in July and report findings in September of this year.

Mr. Fred Yebra, Director of Energy Efficiency Program, Austin Energy clarified the difference between the rebate program vs. the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) to the Committee.

Mr. Joe Guerrero reminds the Committee that since funding is only \$750,000, improvements to multifamily units were not part of HEAP.

The Committee requested that AE staff return next month to share their data collection plan presented to Council.

Item 3b. Discussions with Purchasing staff regarding the status of the procurement process selection for Weatherization inspection contracts.

Mr. Terry Nicholson, Austin Energy provide the Committee with an update regarding the Request for Proposals for test out services for final inspections. Request for Council Approval will go before City on July 27, 2013.

The Committee requested that at end of program SMBR and Austin Energy provide a report of why 8 certified firms did not send in proposals for the Request for Proposal.

Item 4. AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Discussions with Austin Energy staff regarding a draft data collection plan for multi-family units participating in Austin Energy's Multi-family Energy Efficiency Program.
- b. Updates from Austin Energy staff regarding the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chair, Anne Harutunian adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.