

LOW INCOME CONSUMER ADVISORY TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2015

The Low Income Consumer Advisory Task Force convened in a regular meeting at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, Room 100, in Austin, Texas. Chairperson, Carol Biedrzycki called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Task Force Members in Attendance: Carol Biedrzycki (Chair), Tim Arndt (Vice Chair), Lanetta Cooper, Richard Halpin, Dan Pruett, Cyrus Reed, and Chris Strand. Karen Hadden was not present at the call to order, but arrived later. Michael Wong was absent.

Staff in Attendance: Austin Energy (AE) staff included Debbie Kimberly, Liz Jambor, Denise Kuehn (by phone), and Hayden Migl. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department (NHCD) staff included Letitia Brown.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

There were no citizens signed up for Citizen Communications.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approve minutes from the September 4, 2015 meeting-

A motion was made by Member Richard Halpin to approve the September 4, 2015 meeting minutes and seconded by Member Dan Pruett. Two amendments were proposed:

Under Item 3a, add the phrase, ""At least 15% of the solar budget for new projects should be...." Under Item 3c, add the phrase, "Member Cyrus Reed withdrew sections regarding the demand reduction goal, and Member Dan Pruett moved..."

Member Halpin and Member Pruett accepted the amendments and the motion passed on a 6-0-1 vote, with Vice Chair Tim Arndt abstaining and Member Karen Hadden not yet in attendance.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action on final report. -

Members went through the draft of the final report page by page, discussed the sections of the document amongst themselves and with Austin Energy staff, and suggested revisions that were accepted and will be reflected in the next draft of the report. The final vote on the report is scheduled to take place at a special called meeting on September 25, 2015.

4. BRIEFINGS & REPORTS

- a. Austin Energy staff update on the weatherization program job status This item was not discussed.
- **b. Status of data requests –** This item was not discussed.
- c. Committee Reports possible reports from the Low Income Energy Efficiency Program Committee, Low-Moderate Income Energy Efficiency Program Committee, and/or Affordable Rental Property Committee This item was not discussed.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. Discussion regarding future agenda items including a schedule of topics and issues and topics raised during briefings and citizen communications – This item was not discussed.

ADJOURNMENT - The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:15 pm with no objection.

