Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council

Item ID 70527

Agenda Number 2.

Meeting Date: 5/4/2017

Department: Austin Energy

Subject

Approve issuance of a rebate to Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch, LLC, for performing energy efficiency improvements at the Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch Apartments located at 5400 Parmer Lane, in an amount not to exceed $128,441 (District 6).

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

For More Information: Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6450; Denise Kuehn, Director, Energy Efficiency Services (512) 322-6138.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

April 17, 2017 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0, with Commissioners Reel and Wray absent and two vacancies.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy requests authorization to issue a rebate to Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $128,441, for energy efficiency measures at the Lodge at Stone Oak Ranch Apartments located at 5400 Parmer Lane, in Council District 6.

The property comprises 19 buildings and 434 apartment units, with a total of 406,298 square feet of conditioned space. The average rent for a one bedroom unit is $943, a two bedroom unit is $1,262, and a three bedroom unit is $1,475. The energy efficiency measure proposed at this property is duct sealing. The estimated total cost of the project is $160,551; the rebate will cover 80% of the total cost. These improvements will be made in accordance with Austin Energy’s Multifamily Rebate guidelines.

This program is one element of Austin Energy’s comprehensive Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan to realize 700 MW of energy efficiency and 200 MW of demand response by 2025. The original plan, approved by City Council in April 2010 and updated in December 2014, is designed in part to reduce local air pollution through energy
conservation, reduce peak demand, reduce the need to purchase additional generation, and assist customers in reducing electric consumption.

The avoided kilowatt-hours (kWh) estimated at 736,203 kWh per year represent a major benefit to the local environment. This project is estimated to prevent the production of the following emissions annually: 442 metric tons of Carbon Dioxide, 0.308 metric tons of Nitrogen Oxides, and 0.279 metric tons of Sulfur Dioxide. The project savings is equivalent to an estimated 992,536 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 84 cars from our roadways, or the planting of 11,357 trees or 568 acres of forest in Austin's parks.