

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20170516-008

Date: May 16, 2017

Subject: Solar-Ready Local Amendment to the International Energy Conservation Code

Motioned By: Vice Chair Reed Seconded By: Commissioner White

Recommendation:

The Resource Management Commission (RMC) agrees with the proposed changes to the draft ordinance presented by Austin Energy staff on May 16, 2017, with one exception. Austin Energy recommends that 25% of the total roof area on new multi-family buildings (four stories or less) have a solar-ready zone. The RMC recommends that 35% of the roof area have a solar-ready zone.

Austin Energy staff agrees with RMC's suggestion to add a second exception for multi-family buildings that reads "A building site on which the applicant has demonstrated, through documentation, existence of a unique hardship preventing compliance." The addition of this exception was made to the draft ordinance to be presented to City Council on June 15, 2017.

Vote: 6-1

For: Chair Leo Dielmann, Vice Chair Cyrus Reed, and Commissioners James Babyak, Scott Kohan, Natasha Madison and Kaiba White

Against: Commissioner Susanne Vaughan

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Derrick Lesnau and Greg Santiago

Vacancies: Two

Attest:

Toye Goodson, Staff Liaison