



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Monday August 17, 2020

The Resource Management Commission convened via videoconference on Monday August 17, 2020 in accordance with social distancing protocols necessitated by the Covid 19 pandemic.

Commissioners in Attendance :Dana Harmon, Chair (District 9); Kaiba White, Vice Chair (District 2); Jonathan Blackburn (District 8); Leo Dielman (District 7); and Shane Johnson (District 4).; Rebecca Brenneman (District 10); Lisa Chavarria (Mayor); and Tom “Smitty” Smith (District 5) . There is one vacancy (District 3).

Commissioners Absent: Nakyschia Fralin (District 1); James Babyak (District 6)

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Harmon called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Consent Items:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of the July 22nd, 2020 meeting.

The motion to approve minutes of the July 22, 2020 meeting was approved on Commissioner Dielman motion, Chair Harmon second. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 4 absent, (Commissioners Smith and Johnson away from the meeting) 1 vacancy.

OLD BUSINESS:

2. Establish a working group of Resource Management Commissioners to coordinate with the Office of Sustainability regarding the Austin Community Emissions Dashboard as it relates to Commission goals. **The commission established a working group to work on the Emissions Dashboard of the Office of Sustainability consisting of Commissioners Babyak, Fralin, Brenneman, White, and Blackburn.**

STAFF REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS:

3. Quarterly report and update on water conservation programs by Austin Water Utility. **Mark Jordan of the Austin Water Utility provided an update on water conservation programs. Mr. Jordan also informed the Commission that he would return to seek input on upcoming program changes in October or November.**
4. Quarterly report and update on natural gas conservation programs by Texas Gas Service. **Jasmine King-Bush of Texas Gas Service provided an update on Texas Gas Service’ conservation programs.**

NEW BUSINESS:

5. Update on Austin Community Climate Plan revisions. **Commissioner White provided a brief update on the Austin Climate Equity Plan that will be presented to the Commission for discussion and possible action during the September meeting.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

6. Discuss potential topics for future agendas. **Commissioner White requested an update on a recent Texas Gas Service rate approval. She also requested an update on any changes forthcoming in Austin Energy's rate structure. Commissioner Smith requested Commission action on future Austin Water**

ADJOURN – Chair Harmon moved to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.