

## Electric Utility Commission May 13, 2021 Minutes

The Electric Utility Commission (EUC) convened a regularly scheduled meeting via videoconference/Webex. Meeting called to order by Chair Hopkins at 5:32 p.m. Also present were Commissioners Chapman, Hadden, Reed, Trostle, Tuttle and Weldon. Commissioner Stone joined following citizen communication. Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray were absent.

Chair prerogative: update regarding meeting dates/times; June 21st at 5:30P tentative date.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL – Paul Robbins re Customer Assistance Program and code amendments (Item 12)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approve minutes of the April 19, 2021 regular meeting. Motion (Trostle) to approve minutes; seconded (Weldon); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray absent.

## **NEW BUSINESS – CONSENT**

( ) = Target Council Meeting Date; [ ] = RCA Type

Items 2-5, 7-9 unanimously recommended on consent (8-0, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray absent). Following discussion, motion (Chapman) to recommend Item 6; seconded (Reed); recommended on a vote of 8-0, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray absent.

- 2. (6/3) [Purchasing] Authorize an amendment to an existing contract with Schneider Electric Smart Grid Solutions, LLC for continued purchase of web-based load profiling software, licenses, maintenance and support, for an increase in the amount of \$3,947,000 and to extend the term by six years, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$6,002,814.
- 3. (6/3) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Catapult Systems, LLC, to provide technical and support services for Microsoft on-premise software and cloud services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$12,000,000.
- 4. (6/3) [Purchasing] Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with DLT Solutions, LLC, to provide computer-aided drafting software and data management tools including maintenance and support, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$1,700,000.
- 5. (6/3) [Purchasing] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Priester-Mell & Nicholson, for air insulated switchgear, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.
- 6. (6/3) [Austin Energy] Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Energy Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to decrease the Austin Energy

- Operating Fund Ending Balance by \$1,165,887 and increase the Conservation Rebates expenses by \$1,165,887 to provide additional funding for the Austin Energy Weatherization Assistance Program.
- 7. (6/3) [Purchasing Multi-departmental; AE's estimated amount is \$2.17M] Authorize award of a multi-term contract with 360 Network Solutions, LLC d/b/a 360 Network Solutions, to provide electronic lock access control system, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,833,625.
- 8. (6/3) [Austin Energy] Approve issuance of capacity-based incentives to the Housing Authority of the City of Austin for the installation of solar electric systems on the new multifamily affordable housing community Pathways at Chalmers Courts East, located at 300 Chicon St., for an amount not to exceed \$323,360. (District 3)
- 9. (6/10) [Capital Contracting] Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with the following staff recommended firm (or other qualified responders) for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. Solicitation CLMP312: Allegis Group Holdings, Inc., for engineering services for the AE Staff Augmentation, Engineering and Related Engineering Services for Electric System Engineering and Technical Services Rotation List in an amount not to exceed \$25,875,000.

Chair prerogative: Took up Item 13 (results noted below), then returned to agenda order.

## STAFF BRIEFINGS & REPORTS

- 10. 2nd Quarter Financial Briefing provided by Mark Dombroski, Deputy General Manager and CFO
- 11. 2nd Quarter Operations Briefing provided by Sidney Jackson, Deputy General Manager and COO
- 12. Green Building Energy Code Amendments provided by Kurt Stogdill, Manager, Green Building and Sustainability and Beth Culver, Assistant Director, Development Services

## OTHER BUSINESS

13. Officer elections.

Motion (Hadden) to nominate Marty Hopkins for Chair; seconded (Reed); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray absent. Motion (Reed) to nominate Dave Tuttle for Vice Chair; seconded (Weldon); passed on a vote of 8-0, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser and Wray absent.

- 14. Report regarding City Council action on items previously reviewed by the EUC.
- 15. Future agenda items.

Reed: Update re Renewable RFP (when applicable) Tuttle:

- Legislative review (perhaps in July)
- Distribution System upgrade plans (e.g., vegetation management status; sectionalization plan or using AMI meters for more granular rolling blackouts; any other Capital improvements that will help resiliency and reliability)
- Transmission investment plan update (perhaps later in the year)

- URI after-action report (when complete)
  Building Code review from 2021 updates, EV ready, electrification

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.