



# Austin City Council MINUTES

APRIL 10, 1996

Mayor Todd called the meeting to order, Councilmembers Shea and Goodman temporarily absent, Councilmembers Mitchell and Reynolds absent.

## PREVIEW OF ITEMS FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

1. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from City Manager for April 18, 1996.
2. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from Council for April 18, 1996.

## BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

3. Electric Utility Commission Report - Marilyn Jones, Chair (15 minutes)  
**Presentation by Teresa Real**
4. Resource Management Commission Report - Glee Ingram, Chair (15 minutes)  
**Presentation by Glee Ingram**

## BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

5. Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Program (30 minutes)  
**Presentation by Betty Dunkerley**
6. Ground Transportation Task Force (1 hour)  
**Presentation by Joe Lessard and Phil Brown**
7. Monthly Electric Utility Report (30 minutes)  
**Presentation John Moore**

EXECUTIVE SESSION (No Public Discussion on These Items)

The City Council will announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda. The City Council may also announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

**Advice of Counsel - Section 551.071**

8. Discuss City of Austin v. Houston Lighting and Power Company, Cause No. 94-007946, in the 11th District Court of Harris County, Texas.

**ORDINANCES**

9. Approve an ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 850620-J and amending Ordinance No. 950911-D, to repeal fees for electric service connection to premises to be served by the City of Austin Electric Utility. (Annual reduction in revenues of \$1 to \$1.5 million for 1995-96 to the Electric Utility Capital Improvements Program. The Utility is anticipating an offsetting revenue increase.) (To be reviewed by Electric Utility Commission April 8, 1996.)  
**Postponed**

**RESOLUTIONS**

10. Approve amendment No. 2 to the agreement with the law firm of Susman Godfrey L.L.P., to provide legal counsel and representation in matters concerning the City's ownership interest in the South Texas Project (STP) and the City's claims against Houston Lighting & Power Company in the additional amount of \$2,500,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$12,500,000. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 Operating budget of the Electric Utility Department.)  
**Approved**
11. Approve the issuance of a Letter of Intent and a rebate to EQUITY OFFICE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., for the installation of high efficiency lighting equipment at One American Center, 600 Congress Avenue, in the amount of \$38,526. Installation of this equipment will save an estimated 210 kilowatts at a cost of \$183.46 per kilowatt saved. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 operating budget of the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund.) (Recommended by Resource Management Commission)  
**Approved**
12. Approve a construction contract award to EDWARD R. COLEMAN CONSTRUCTION, Austin, Texas, for installation of storm sewer systems in the Holly Street Neighborhood, west of the Holly Street Electric Generation Plant, in the amount of \$248,438. (Funding was included in the 1995-96 Approved Capital budget of the Electric Utility.) Low bid of four. 24.40% MBE, 8.47% WBE Subcontractor participation.  
**Approved**
13. Approve execution of a contract with WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC, Houston, Texas, for the

purchase of various turbine parts in the total amount of \$38,016. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 operating budget of the Electric Utility.) Sole Source. No M/WBE Subcontracting opportunities were identified.

**Approved**

14. Approve execution of a twelve month service agreement with LAIDLAW ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC., La Porte, Texas, for Management of Industrial Non-Hazardous and Hazardous Wastes, in an amount not to exceed \$361,771 with the option to extend for three twelve month periods in the amount of \$361,771 for each period, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,447,084. (Funding in the amount of \$180,885.48 is available in the 1995-96 operating budget of the Electric Utility Department. Funding for the final six months and the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) Low bid of seven meeting specifications. No MWBE Subcontracting opportunities were identified.

**Approved**

15. Approve execution of a modification to a contract with ON-LINE RESOURCES, INC., Longwood, Florida, for computer programming services in an amount not to exceed \$350,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$600,000. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 operating budget of the Electric Utility Department.) 10% MBE, 5% WBE Subcontractor participation.

**Approved**

16. Approve modification of the twelve month supply agreement with HIGH VOLTAGE SUPPLY, INC., (WBE/FR), Dallas, Texas, for extra low resistance contacts for transformers, in the amount of \$100,000, for a total contract amount of \$380,053. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 operating budget of the Electric Utility Department.)

**Approved**

**Items 10 through 16 approved on Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Shea's second 4-0 vote, Councilmember Nofziger out of the room, Councilmembers Mitchell and Reynolds absent.**

17. Approve negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with D'APPOLONIA, Monroeville, Pennsylvania for Phase I, preliminary engineering services, to investigate the economic feasibility of reducing intake water temperature at the Decker Power Plant, in the estimated amount of \$60,000. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 Operating Budget of the Electric Utility Department).

**Postponed to April 18, 1996**

18. Authorize an agreement with the Leander Independent School District to have a joint early voting location and two polling place locations for the upcoming May 4, 1996 election. (Estimated savings in the amount of \$1,000 for the 1995-96 operating budget of the City Clerk Department.)

**Approved on, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Shea's second 4-0 vote, Councilmember Nofziger out of the room, Councilmembers Mitchell and Reynolds absent.**

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS (A maximum of 10 citizens to speak on posted action items. Each citizen will be given 3 minutes to speak.)**

Cards filed with the City Clerk's Office.

ADJOURNED at 3:50 p.m.

Approved on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1996, on, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Goodman's second, 5-0 vote, Councilmembers Shea and Mitchell temporarily absent.