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Resource Management Commission
Request for Letter of Intent for Gayatri, Inc.
July 26, 2004
Vote: 7-0-2-0-0

Motion by: A. Donoho

Second by: J. Beckage

For: K. Strnad, A. Martinez, J. Hoffner, M. Kuhn, K. Houser

Against: 0

Absent: G. Hsieh, C. Barron

Abstain: 0

Vacant: 0

Motion: Passed

The Resource Management Commission supports the City's Commercial Energy Efficiency Programs and recommends that the City Council approve the issuance of a Letter of Intent in the amount of \$93,624 for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system for Gayatri, Inc. located at 1950 South IH 35 in Austin, Texas. The solar equipment, which meets all Austin Energy program requirements, includes 166 solar modules rated at 120 watts each and its associated inverter rated at 94% efficient.

This energy improvement will save an estimated 26,000 kWh per year. These savings are equivalent to an estimated 8,572 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 1 car from our roadways, or the planting of 167 trees.

The Commercial Energy Efficiency programs are elements of Austin Energy's comprehensive effort to reduce local air pollution through energy conservation, to reduce peak demand, and to assist customers in reducing electric consumption. Within currently approved budget finding levels for commercial conservation rebates, this effort will provide Austin Energy with a constructive market transformation opportunity while adding a value-added service to encourage customer retention. Funds for this rebate will come from the existing commercial rebate budget; therefore there is no anticipated fiscal impact.


Approved, Adán Martínez, Chair

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