

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 2 AGENDA DATE: Thu 04/07/2005

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<u>SUBJECT:</u> Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 040913-01 (1) to decrease the Operating Fund Other Operating expense by \$1,000,000 and increase the Transfer to Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund; and (2) amend the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund to increase the Transfer in from Austin Energy Operating Fund by \$1,000,000 and to increase the Solar PV Rebate Program by the same amount.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Operations and Maintenance Expense Fund of Austin Energy.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Austin Energy

DIRECTOR'S

DEPARTMENT:

AUTHORIZATION: Juan Garza

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Ester Matthews, Local Government Issues / 322-6041; Fred Yebra, Manager, Energy Management Services / 482-5305

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission and the Resource Management Commission.

Austin Energy is seeking authorization to Amend Ordinance 040913-01, the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget for Austin Energy, to increase the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund by \$1,000,000 for the Solar PV Rebate Program. Austin Energy's Strategic Plan, adopted by the City Council on December 4, 2003, included a strong commitment to solar energy as a key component to our energy resource strategy. This budget amendment will increase funding of solar rebates to meet projected program participation through the end of the fiscal year.

The Fiscal Year 2004-2005 budget included \$2.5 million for the Solar PV Rebate Program of which \$2 million is for residential and commercial solar PV rebates, and \$500,000 is earmarked for installations of solar PV in schools and municipal community centers. As of the end of February 2005, Austin Energy had issued \$1,220,500 for residential and commercial Solar PV Rebates, and an additional \$657,215 has been requested through letters of intent. Austin Energy estimates that a total amount of \$3,000,000 will be needed to meet the requests for solar rebates in homes and businesses by the end of fiscal year 2004-2005.

Austin Energy plans to conduct a study to determine the comprehensive value of solar energy. That value, coupled with declining cost of solar cells, will serve as the guide for the price that Austin Energy will pay for any additional solar energy beyond the portion secured by the rebate program.

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Disposition:

Adjusted version published:

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

WHERE ON AGENDA: DEPARTMENT:

4/7/2005 Ordinance Electric Utility Operating Fund

Description: Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 040913-01 (1) to decrease the Other Operating expense by \$1,000,000 and increase the Transfer to Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund; and (2) amend the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund to increase the Transfer from Austin Energy Operating Fund by \$1,000,000 and to increase the Solar PV Rebate Program by the same amount..

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Electric Utility Operating Fund

	2004-2005	This	2004-2005
	Amended Budget	Action	Amended Budget
Beginning Balance	\$100,430,121	\$0	\$100,430,121
Revenue			
Service Area Revenue	\$794,979,922	\$0	\$794,979,922
Other Revenue	\$102,443,521	\$0	\$102,443,521
Total Revenue	\$897,423,443	\$0	\$897,423,443
Transfers in	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000
Total Available Funds	\$907,423,443	\$0	\$907,423,443
Operating Requirements			
Operations and Maintenance	\$494,641,149		\$494,641,149
Conservation - Energy	\$8,730,705		\$8,730,705
Conservation - Rebates and Incentives	\$14,458,619	\$1,000,000	\$15,458,619
Other Operating Expenses	\$49,920,000	_(\$1,000,000)	\$48,920,000
Total Operating Requirements	\$567,750,473	\$0	\$567,750,473
Total Other Requirements	\$12,353,988	\$0	\$12,353,986
Transfers Out			
General Fund	\$74,520,189	\$0	\$74,520,189
Electric CIP	\$63,217,900	\$0	\$63,217,900
Repair and Replacement Fund	\$20,000,000	\$ 0	\$20,000,000
Austin Water Utility CIP	\$1,045,795	\$0	\$ 1,045,795
General Government CIP	\$4,625,000	\$ 0	\$4,625,000
Trunked Radio	\$238,737	\$ 0	\$238,737
General Obligation Debt Service	\$563,608	\$ 0	\$563,608
Utility Debt Service	\$160,296,215	\$0	\$160,296,215
Total Transfers Out	\$324,507,444	\$0	\$324,507,444
Total Requirements	\$904,611,903	\$0	\$904,611,903
Excess/(Deficit) of Available			
Funds Over Requirements	\$2,811,540	\$0_	\$2,811,540
Ending Balance	\$103,241,661	\$0	\$103,241,661
Full Time Equivalents (FTE)	1537.50	0.00	1537.50

Director of Financial Planning and Budget, Austin Energy

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OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: WHERE ON AGENDA: DEPARTMENT:

4/7/2005 Ordinance Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund

Description: Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 040913-01 (1) to decrease the Other Operating expense by \$1,000,000 and Increase the Transfer to Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund; and (2) amend the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund to increase the Transfer from Austin Energy Operating Fund by \$1,000,000 and to Increase the Solar PV Rebate Program by the same amount.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund

2004-2005	This	2004-2005
	Action	Amended Budget
\$ 47,131		\$47,131
\$14,458,619	\$1,000,000	\$15,458,619
\$1,107,728	\$0	\$1,107,728
\$15,566,347	\$1,000,000	\$16,566,347
\$14,458,619	\$1,000,000	\$15,458,619
\$946,228	\$0	\$946,228
\$161,500	\$0_	\$161,500
\$15,566,347	\$1,000,000	\$16,566,347
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Director of Financial Planning & Budget, Austin Energy

Date:

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 AUSTIN ENERGY FUND OPERATING BUDGET OF ORDINANCE NO. 040913-01 TO TRANSFERS FUNDS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The Council amends the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Austin Energy Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 040913-01 to decrease the Operating Fund Other Operating expense by an amount of \$1,000,000 and to increase the Transfer Out to the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund by the same amount, and to increase the Conservation Rebates and Incentives Fund the Transfer In from Austin Energy Operating Fund by an amount of \$1,000,000 and to increase the Solar PV Rebate Program by the same amount.

PART 2. This ordinance takes effect on	, 2005.
PASSED AND APPROVED	
, 2005	§ § Will Wynn Mayor
APPROVED: David Allan Smith City Attorney	ATTEST: Shirley A. Brown City Clerk