



**RCA
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 3
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SUBJECT: Approve funding a variety of recreational and educational opportunities for adults and children in the Holly Street Neighborhood, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and further authorize Austin Energy to negotiate and execute such contracts with each recipient entity as are reasonable, necessary or required to accomplish the purposes of this funding.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Amended Operating Budget of the Electric Utility Department.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Austin Energy
DEPARTMENT:

**DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION:** Juan Garza

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Westmoreland, Governmental Relations/ 322-6015

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

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

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

As part of the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Budget, City Council designated \$100,000 as the Holly Neighborhood Grants Assistance Program (HNGAP). Austin Energy, in conjunction with the City Manager, is requesting that the City Council authorize funding of a variety of recreational and educational opportunities for adults and children in the Holly Street Neighborhood. The recommended funding through the HNGAP is summarized below:

1) Senior Exercise Program	\$ 6,171
2) Hillside Performance Program	\$ 3,680
3) HOSTS Program at Metz Elementary	\$ 43,705
4) Holly Street Garden Club	\$ 7,403
5) Space Explorers	\$ 5,541
6) PEAK Program	\$ 3,500
7) Folkloric Dance Program	\$ 10,000
8) Eaglettes Drill Team	\$ 5,000
9) Believe in Me Dance Program	\$ 7,500
10) Girl Scout <i>Star Track</i>	\$ 7,500



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TOTAL **\$100,000**

1) Senior Exercise Program (Metz Recreation Center) – an exercise program for senior citizens:

Instructor's Salary	\$ 1,001
Treadmill	\$ 3,500
Recumbent Stationary Bicycle	\$ 850
Dumbbells	\$ 300
Exercise Mats	\$ 520
TOTAL	\$ 6,171

2) Hillside Performance Program (Metz Recreation Center) – requesting total: \$2,000 for four concerts; \$180 for outdoor lights for a musical performance program for Holly neighborhood residents.

Sound System	\$ 1,500
Outdoor Lights	\$ 180
Four Concerts (local artists performance fees)	\$ 2,000
TOTAL	\$ 3,680

3) HOSTS Program (Metz Elementary) - an individualized language arts instructional program for children in grades 1-6. HOSTS is an individualized instructional program in the Language Arts that is supervised and managed by a HOSTS instructor using trained literacy mentors to deliver one-on-one instruction to improve reading skills:

Teacher's Salary	\$ 33,500
Program Supplies	\$ 10,205
TOTAL	\$ 43,705

4) Holly Street Garden Club (Camacho Activity Center) – to start a community garden for all interested residents of the Holly Neighborhood (to be supervised and maintained by Camacho staff):

Gardening Equipment	\$ 7,403
TOTAL	\$ 7,403



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5) Space Explorers (Camacho Activity Center) – to create a program to introduce Holly Neighborhood elementary and middle school students to astronomy and natural sciences:

Astronomy Equipment	\$ 5,541
TOTAL	\$ 5,541

6) PEAK Program (Camacho Activity Center) –assists students in the completion of high school credits in a self-paced, dynamic and supportive environment, in a location close to their homes:

Supplies	\$ 3,500
TOTAL	\$ 3,500

7) Ballet East Austin – for their folkloric dance program at Martin Middle School:

Folkloric Dance Program	\$ 10,000
TOTAL	\$ 10,000

8) Eaglettes Drill Team - for a dance drill team at Martin Middle School

Music and Sound System	\$ 5,000
TOTAL	\$ 5,000

9) Believe in Me - to continue the Believe in Me dance program at Metz Elementary:

Dance Program	\$ 7,500
TOTAL	\$ 7,500

10) Girl Scouts *Star Track* - to underwrite the cost of Holly neighborhood girls participating in this after-school program:

Girl Scout Program	\$ 7,500
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TOTAL \$ 7,500

Austin Energy is committed to working with City Council, the City Manager, the Electric Utility Commission, and most importantly, the residents of the Holly Neighborhood, to improve and invest in the neighborhood and recreational facilities. The proposals above will benefit the neighborhood and represents a balanced distribution of funding throughout the established educational and recreational entities in the Holly Neighborhood.



Electric Utility Commission
April 19, 2004
Meeting

Approve funding a variety of recreational and educational opportunities for adults and children in the Holly Street Neighborhood, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and further authorize Austin Energy to negotiate and execute such contracts with each recipient entity as are reasonable, necessary or required to accomplish the purposes of this funding.

Motion by: Fath

Seconded by: Fernandez

Ayes: Fath, Fernandez, LeGette, Sarma, Shaw, and Skeith

Nays: NONE

Abstaining: NONE

Off the dais: NONE

Absent: Owens

The motion passed on a 6 – 0 vote.