

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council		Item ID	54119	Agenda Number	3.
Meeting Date:	1/28/2016			Department:	Austin Energy
Subject					
Approve issuance of a rebate to NRE Zone LLC, for performing energy efficiency improvements at The Zone Apartments located at 4700 East Riverside Drive, in an amount not to exceed \$72,945 (District 3).					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.					
Fiscal Note					
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Jeff Vice, Director, Local Government Issues (512) 322-6450; Denise Kuehn, Director, Energy Efficiency Services (512) 322-6138.				
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	January 19, 2016 – Recommended by the Resource Management Commission on a vote of 9-0 with Commissioners Santiago and Saum absent. January 25, 2016 – To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.				
MBE / WBE:					
Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					
Austin Energy requests authorization to issue a rebate to NRE Zone LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$72,945, for an energy efficiency measure completed at The Zone Apartments located at 4700 East Riverside Dr., in Council District 3.					
The property comprises 13 buildings and 252 apartment units, with a total of 244,968 square feet of conditioned space. The average rent for the one bedroom units ranges from \$960 to \$980 and the two bedroom units ranges from \$1,360 to \$1,380, depending on amenities. The energy efficiency measure to be completed at this property is duct sealing. The estimated total cost of the project is \$90,619; the rebate will cover approximately 80% of the total cost.					
These improvements are in accordance with Austin Energy's Multifamily Rebate Program. This program is one of the elements of Austin Energy's comprehensive Resource, Generation and Climate Protection Plan, to realize 700 MW of energy efficiency and 200 MW of demand response by 2025. The original plan, approved by City Council in April 2010 and updated in December 2014, is designed in part to reduce local air pollution through energy conservation, reduce peak demand, reduce the need to purchase additional generation and assist customers in reducing electric consumption.					
The avoided kilowatt hours (kWh) estimated at 408,757 kWh per year represents a major benefit to the local environment. This project is estimated to prevent the production of the following air pollutants: 245.4 metric tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO2), 0.171 metric tons of Nitrogen Oxides (NOX), and 0.155 metric tons of Sulfur Dioxide (SO2). The project savings is equivalent to an estimated 551,079 vehicle miles traveled, the removal of 47.0 cars from our roadways, or the planting of 6,306 trees or 315 acres of forest in Austin's parks.					