



**AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 19, 2019**

The Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Kathie Tovo called the committee meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Committee Members in attendance:

Council Member Kathie Tovo, Chair
Council Member Leslie Pool, Vice Chair
Mayor Steve Adler
Mayor Pro Tem Delia Garza
Council Member Alison Alter
Council Member Paige Ellis
Council Member Jimmy Flannigan
Council Member Ann Kitchen
Council Member Sabino “Pio” Renteria
Cary Ferchill, Electric Utility Commission Chair

Committee Members absent:

Council Member Gregorio Casar
Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approve the minutes of the May 15, 2019 Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee meeting.**

The minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting were approved on Mayor Pro Tem Garza’s motion, and Council Member Ellis’ second, on an 8-0 vote. Council Members Casar, Harper-Madison, and Renteria were off the dais.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- 2. A maximum of five speakers signed up before the meeting is called to order will each be allowed three minutes to address topics not posted for committee action. Speakers may also sign up for specific items that the committee may take action on.**

There were five speakers:

- Steven Stein stated it took 10 months to get a pole and transformer for his business, and he has had continued issues with the claim related to repairs made by an electrician.
- Alyssa Lacy thanked City Council for their support in past months on behalf of residents at the Waters at Bluff Springs apartment complex.

- Tim Arndt thanked City Council for their support in helping define low income properties, and asked them to look at the approval process for energy efficiency rebates.
- Mike Clifford said he wants to work with Austin to help close the Fayette Power Project, ensure it doesn't keep running, and requested a detailed update regarding closure be given to City Council and the public.
- Shelley Sallee requested plans for testing once the Fayette Power Project is closed down and workforce planning for employees.

BRIEFINGS

3. General Manager's report:

- **Upcoming recommendations for Council action: energy efficiency rebates.**
- **ERCOT Energy Emergency Alert communications.**
- **Recent awards.**

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Jackie Sargent, General Manager, provided the report.

4. Decker workforce planning.

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Jackie Sargent provided the update. Discussion included update frequency.

5. Customer service and compliance update, including outreach initiatives and arrearage management.

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Kerry Overton, Deputy General Manager and Chief Customer and Compliance Officer, provided the update.

6. Janitorial services.

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Jackie Sargent provided the update. Discussion included an upcoming Resolution providing additional direction on certain contracts.

FUTURE ITEMS

7. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.

Fayette Power Project status and Austin Energy's efforts related to preventing wildfires were requested as future agenda items.

ADJOURN

Chair Tovo adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 14th day of August 2019 on Vice Chair Pool's motion, and Council Member Ellis' second, on a 7-0 vote. Mayor Adler, Mayor Pro Tem Garza, and Council Members Harper-Madison and Kitchen were off the dais.