

AUSTIN UTILITIES

MINUTES OF MEETING

4:00 pm, June 18th, 2019

Regular Meeting

Geoff Baker

Date

Presiding Officer

Members Present:

Geoff Baker, President
Steve Greenman, Commissioner
Tom Baudler, Commissioner

Others Present:

Mark Nibaur, General Manager
Alex Bumgardner, Energy Resources & Utility Op. Dir.
Ann Christianson, Finance Manager
Todd Jorgenson, Gas & Water Operations Director
Kim Duncomb, Customer & Employee Relations Dir.

Members Absent:

Tyler Hulsebus, Commissioner
Jeanne Sheehan, Commissioner

President Geoff Baker called the meeting to order.

Moved by Steve Greenman, seconded by Tom Baudler, to approve the meeting agenda. Approved unanimously.

Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 14th and the Work Session minutes of May 23rd, 2019. Approved unanimously.

Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to approve the disbursements summary, accounts payable list, additional bills and expenses, and authorize warrants to be drawn for their payment. Approved unanimously.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, and Alex Bumgardner, Energy Resources & Utility Operations Director, presented AU's new Distributed Energy Resources policies and rules. The new MPUC interconnection process for distributed energy resources (the new name for distributed generation) requires that new policies and rules be adopted that conform with the new interconnection process. Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to approve the following:

- A revised Distributed Energy Resource Policy
- A revised Distributed Energy Resource Rules
- A revised Uniform Contract (Schedule 2 of the cogeneration and small power production tariff)
- A revised Interconnection Process (Schedule 3A of the cogeneration and small power production tariff) that consists of:
 - Interconnection Process Overview
 - Interconnection Process – Simplified Process
 - Interconnection Process – Fast Track Process
 - Interconnection Process – Study Process
- A revised Average Incremental Cost, Schedule 4 (the prior Schedule 5 of cogeneration and small power production tariff that has been renumbered to reflect the elimination of Notification Procedure.)

Approved unanimously.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, presented an updated AU Gift Policy providing guidelines to assist employees when refusing or accepting gifts that may benefit AU customers and the company. Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to approve the policy as presented. Approved unanimously.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, presented the proposed water service extension plan to the Turtle Creek 2 sub-division. AU would seek a 75% commitment from the 41 Residential Equivalent Units (REU), which would require 31 REU to commit to the project before AU would move forward. The commitment would include a \$5,000 earnest payment before construction starts. REU would make a \$7,000 payment when the REU connects to AU water main. The final \$2,700 payment would be due one year after the REU connected to the AU water main. Moved by Steve Greenman, seconded by Tom Baudler, to approve the plan as presented. Approved unanimously.

Alex Bumgardner, Energy Resources & Utility Operations Director, provided information on another potential natural gas prepay opportunity. Staff will work out details and bring a proposal at an upcoming board meeting.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, also updated the Board on the following:

- SMMPA minutes
- Safety Committee minutes
- Base pay system
- Bill layout changes
- 2019 Best Places to Work data

President Geoff Baker requested a budget forecast be prepared for the August board meeting.

The next regular Board meeting was scheduled for 4:00 pm, Tuesday, July 9th, 2019.

Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously.
Adjourned 5:02 pm.

President

Secretary