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The Austin Generation Resource Planning Task Force convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 in Room 1029 at City Hall in Austin, Texas from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

Chair Phillip Schmandt called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Task Force Members in Attendance:

Chair Phillip Schmandt, Cary Ferchill, Chris Herbert, Matt Johnson, Mike Sloan, Cyrus Reed, Ron Rogerson, John Sutton, and Roger Wood

-Quorum was recognized.

Staff in Attendance:

Rich Bailey, Mark Dreyfus, Roger Duncan, Barksdale English, Amy Everhart, Lewis Leff, Michael Osborne, Chris Smith, John Wester, and Jeff Vice

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Jake Stewart made comments on the role of Austin in the future of the climate.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of October 28, 2009 were approved on Task Force Member Cyrus Reed's motion, Task Force Member Chris Herbert's second on a 9-0 vote.

3. NEW BUSINESS

The Task Force discussed and made changes to the most recent draft version of the recommendations of the Task Force. Changes to the recommendations of the Task Force were made based on consensus of the Task Force. Proposed changes and additional recommendations submitted by Task Force Member Mike Sloan were discussed. Task Force Member Cary Ferchill was designated to make the agreed upon changes of the Task Force to the official documentation and submit the final document of Task Force recommendations to Austin Energy staff. The motion to adopt all of the recommendations of the Task Force as amended was approved on Task Force Member Cyrus Reed's motion, Task Force Member Cary Ferchill's second on a 7-2 vote. Task Force Member Cary Ferchill moved for reconsideration of the vote and voiced his support for unanimity. The reconsidered motion to approve all of the Task Force recommendations as amended passed unanimously on a 9-0 vote.

Task Force Member Cyrus Reed proposed a resolution to adopt Austin Energy's staff recommended Resource and Climate Protection Plan with a provision to review the plan in

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two years with the target of accelerating the phase-down of the Fayette Power Project coal plant toward its eventual closure by 2020 if economically and technologically feasible. The Task Force discussed the different scenarios and the resolution proposed by Task Force Member Cyrus Reed. The motion to support Task Force Scenario #2 failed on Task Force Member John Sutton's motion, Task Force Member Roger Wood's second on a 3-6 vote. Those members voting aye were: Task Force Members Rogerson, Sutton, and Wood. Those voting nay were: Task Force Chair Schmandt and Task Force Members Ferchill, Herbert, Johnson, Reed, and Sloan. The motion to support Task Force Member Cyrus Reed's resolution which supports Austin Energy's recommended Resource and Climate Protection Plan was approved on Task Force Member Cyrus Reed's motion, Task Force Member Cary Ferchill's second on a 5-4 vote. The motion to support Task Force Scenario #1 failed on Task Force Member Mike Sloan's motion, Task Force Member Cyrus Reed's second on a 1-8 vote. The member voting aye was Task Force Member Sloan. Those voting nay were: Task Force Chair Schmandt and Task Force Members Ferchill, Herbert, Johnson, Reed, Rogerson, Sutton, and Wood. In summation, a majority of the Task Force (five members: Cary Ferchill, Chris Herbert, Matthew Johnson, Cyrus Reed, and Phillip Schmandt) voted to support the resolution proposed by Cyrus Reed which includes support of Austin Energy's staff recommended Resource and Climate Protection Plan, three members of the Task Force (Ron Rogerson, John Sutton, and Roger Wood) voted to support Task Force Scenario #2, and one member of the Task Force (Mike Sloan) voted to support Task Force Scenario #1.

The Task Force discussed the process for submitting minority reports. Minority reports must be submitted by end-of-business Tuesday, November 10, 2009 in order to be included with the final report of the Task Force to be delivered to the Austin City Council.

ADJOURN

Task Force Chair Phillip Schmandt adjourned the meeting at approx. 4:55 p.m. without objection.