

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: DME
CM: Todd Hileman
AGENDA DATE: December 12, 2017

SUBJECT

Consider approval of a Resolution to engage Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C. for Professional Legal Services relating to the pending Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 47777—*Commission Staff's Application to Set 2018 Wholesale Transmission Service Charges for the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT).*

BACKGROUND

Each year, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) sets wholesale transmission service charges for the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT). ERCOT is required under 16 Tex. Admin Code § 25.192(d) (TAC) to file the current year's four coincident peak (4CP) demand for each distribution service provider by December 1. This information is used in establishing the transmission service charges for the subsequent year. The Commission has jurisdiction over this application pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act, Chapter 35, Subchapter A.

The City currently has the law firm of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., Austin, Texas ("Lloyd Gosselink") under contract and engaged in existing Public Utility Commission of Texas Dockets relating to wholesale transmission charges for 2017 and previous years. Lloyd Gosselink is familiar with the complex issues involved in these matters at the Commission. The City as a transmission provider in ERCOT along with all other transmission providers has an immediate interest in these proceedings. The deadline for the City to file as an Intervenor in this Docket is January 2, 2018.

Approval of this resolution will direct and authorize the City Attorney to intervene in Docket 46777 on behalf of the City and use, if needed, the Austin law firm of Lloyd Gosselink. allow Lloyd Gosselink for representation before the Commission.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

None

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Council approve the resolution directing and authorizing the City Attorney intervene in Docket 46777 and use, if needed, the Austin law firm of Lloyd Gosselink.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 – PUCT Staff Application for Docket No. 47777
- Exhibit 2 – PUCT Order for Docket No. 47777
- Exhibit 3 – Proposed Resolution

Respectfully submitted,



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