

# **Energy Operations Committee Agenda**

Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023
LCRA General Office Complex
Board Room – Hancock Building
3700 Lake Austin Blvd.
Austin, TX 78703
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#### **Action/Discussion Items**

- 3. Customer Communication to the Committee (11 a.m. time certain)

#### **Executive Session**

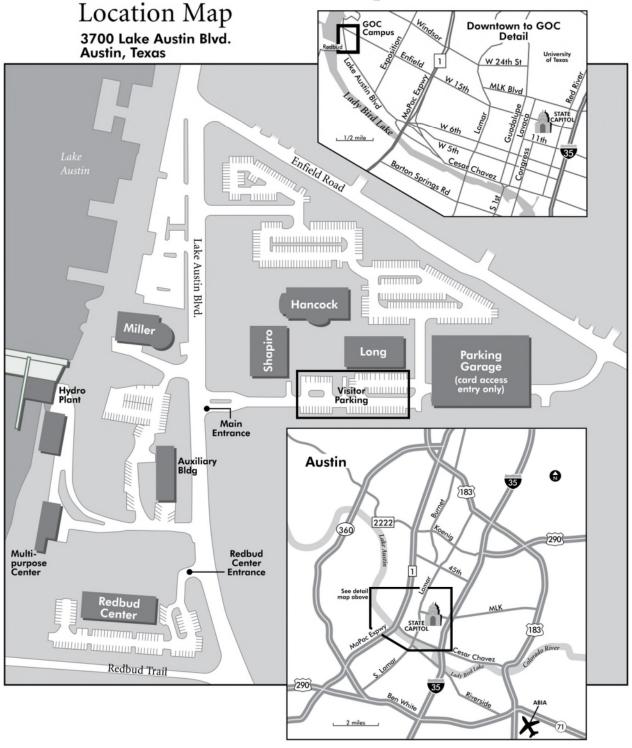
1. Competitive Electric Matters

The committee also may meet in executive session on any item listed above, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.086, 551.089 and 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code.

#### **Legal Notice**

Legal notices are available on the Texas secretary of state website 72 hours prior to the meeting at the following link: https://www.sos.texas.gov/open/index.shtml

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#### **FOR DISCUSSION**

# 1. Comments From the Public

#### **Summary**

This part of the meeting is intended for comments from the public on topics within the scope of the Energy Operations Committee or any item on the Energy Operations Committee agenda. No responses or action may be taken by the committee during public comments.

In order to address the committee, a member of the public is required to sign and complete the registration form at the entrance to the meeting room. Please see the Protocols for Public Communication at Board and Committee Meetings as shown in Exhibit A for details.

#### Exhibit(s)

A – Protocols for Public Communication at Board and Committee Meetings

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AT BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS Approved by the LCRA Board of Directors on Dec. 11, 2018

- 1. Oral Presentations on Issues Under LCRA's Jurisdiction. Any person wishing to make an oral presentation at a Board meeting on any matter under LCRA's jurisdiction must complete a registration form that indicates the agenda item or other topic on which they wish to comment, along with the speaker's name, address and other relevant information. Any person making an oral presentation to the Board may distribute related materials to the Board at the meeting.
- **2. Time Allocation**. The presiding officer may limit the length of time for each speaker. Speakers may not trade or donate time to other speakers without permission from the presiding officer, and repetitive testimony shall be minimized.
- **3. Rules of Decorum**. Speakers and members of the audience must avoid disruptive behavior that interferes with the orderly conduct of a public meeting. Placards, banners, and hand-held signs are not allowed in Board or committee meetings, and speakers and members of the audience must avoid personal affronts, profanity, booing, excessive noise, and other disruptive conduct. The presiding officer may direct that anyone who disrupts a meeting be removed from the room.
- **4. Recording**. Any person making an audio or video recording of all or any part of a Board meeting must do so in a manner that is not disruptive to the meeting. During a meeting, members of the public must remain in or behind the public seating area and are not permitted to record from any other area of the meeting room.
- **5. Committee Meetings**. The protocols outlined in 1-4 above also apply to members of the public wishing to address any LCRA Board committee whose membership comprises the entirety of the LCRA Board on matters within the scope of each of those committees.

#### **FOR ACTION**

# 2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

### **Proposed Motion**

Approve the minutes of the May 23, 2023, meeting.

#### **Board Consideration**

Section 2.09(d) of the LCRA bylaws states the committee may approve meeting minutes.

#### **Budget Status and Fiscal Impact**

Approval of this item will have no budgetary or fiscal impact.

#### **Summary**

Staff presents the minutes of each meeting to the committee for approval.

#### Exhibit(s)

A - Minutes of May 23, 2023, meeting

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENERGY OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

Austin, Texas May 23, 2023

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Energy Operations Committee (committee) of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) convened in a meeting at 11:02 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2023, in the Board Room of the Hancock Building, at the principal office of LCRA, 3700 Lake Austin Blvd., Austin, Travis County, Texas. The meeting was open to the public, and the following committee members were present, constituting a quorum:

Robert "Bobby" Lewis, committee chair Nancy Eckert Yeary, committee vice chair Michael L. "Mike" Allen Matthew L. "Matt" Arthur Melissa K. Blanding Stephen F. Cooper Joseph M. "Joe" Crane Laura D. Figueroa Carol Freeman Thomas Michael Martine Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter

Absent: Raymond A. "Ray" Gill Jr.
Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley
Timothy Timmerman
Martha Leigh M. Whitten

Chair Lewis convened the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

There were no public comments during the meeting [Agenda Item 1].

<u>23-02</u> Upon motion by Vice Chair Yeary, seconded by Director Crane, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its last meeting, held March 22, 2023.

The committee heard comments from representatives of LCRA's wholesale electric customers [Agenda Item 3]. Chair Lewis welcomed Luling City Manager Mark Mayo, City of San Marcos Director of Utilities Tyler Hjorth and Will Holford from Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative. Mayo also serves as president of the Board of Directors of the Rates and

Resources Council (RRC), a group of LCRA's wholesale electric customers, and Hjorth also serves as a member of the RRC Board.

Mayo, on behalf of the RRC, provided feedback on the LCRA business plan for the fiscal year 2024 [which appeared on the May 24 LCRA Board meeting agenda]. He described how LCRA staff worked with the RRC while developing the portion of the business plan related to LCRA's Wholesale Power business, commented on economic factors and environmental regulations, which add uncertainty to the business planning process, and implored LCRA to continue to look for opportunities to save and face all the challenges going forward. He expressed appreciation for the relationship with LCRA and LCRA's commitment to continue to focus on managing and lowering controllable costs on behalf of the customers. Hjorth recognized and thanked staff at LCRA's GenDesk for their work and efforts to help customers keep costs flat. He also expressed appreciation for the opportunity to tour the Thomas C. Ferguson Power Plant and meet plant staff.

Chair Lewis declared the meeting to be in executive session at 11:12 a.m., pursuant to sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.086, 551.089 and 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code. Executive session ended, and the committee reconvened in public session at 11:45 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Robert Lewis, Chair Energy Operations Committee

Approved: Aug. 22, 2023

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