

Citizens Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting Notes 3rd Quarter 2022

July 13, 2022

On Wednesday, July 13, 2022 the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in-person and via WebEx.

Benjamin Ethridge, Executive Vice President of Energy Supply, updated the Committee on CPS Energy's Power Generation Plan. Ethridge discussed the evolving generation portfolio including which plants have retired over the years and CPS Energy's plans for retiring certain units in the future. The aging power plants must be replaced to maintain a reliable, affordable & environmentally responsible energy supply for our community. Innovative technologies are needed to serve our growing community while reducing emissions to achieve our CAAP goals.

KJ Feder, Vice President of Community Engagement and Corporate Responsibility, provided an update on CPS Energy's efforts in the realm of Equity, Energy Burden and Customer Assistance. CPS Energy hired the Brattle Group to assist with researching the energy burden on CPS Energy customers and performed a comparison with other utilities and cities across the nation. KJ then highlighted the efforts of CPS Energy to align customers who are delinquent on their bills with available funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

August 10, 2022

On Wednesday, August 10, 2022 the CAC held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in-person and via WebEx.

Opening remarks were made by CPS Energy Interim President & CEO, Rudy Garza.

David Kee, Director of Energy Market Policy, provided a presentation on the Energy Reliability Council of Texas's (ERCOT) efforts and plans related to grid reliability in the face of growing demand, including large users like bitcoin/cryptocurrency and data centers.

Jonathan Tijerina, Vice President of Enterprise Risk and Development, provided a briefing on the Electric Vehicle (EV) market and the demand

on the grid. CPS Energy is currently developing an EV strategy to continue educating the public regarding the benefits of EVs.

September 14, 2022

On Wednesday, September 14, 2022 the CAC held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in-person and via WebEx.

Benjamin Ethridge, Executive Vice President of Energy Supply, provided a presentation on the reliability and performance of CPS Energy's power plants over the summer months. Ethridge reported that power plants lost generation due to various repairs made across the system but only lost 10% of generation capacity.

Rudy Garza, President & CEO, provided an update on his leadership of the utility. He thanked the Board of Trustees and the community for entrusting him with this role. Garza emphasized that the goal of CPS Energy is to provide reliable, cost-competitive and sustainable energy to the community, and he will continue to ensure that happens.

Chad Hoopingarner, Vice President of Financial Planning Pricing & Budgets, briefed the Committee on the energy bill credit from the City of San Antonio. Due to the higher than anticipated energy bills, the City received a surplus in their city payment of approximately \$75 million additional revenue. City staff recommended to City Council that \$7.5 million to be placed in the REAP (Residential Energy Assistance Program) to help the low-income customers who have past due balances with up to \$300 in assistance; and the remaining \$42.5 million to be given back to residential and commercial customers in the form of a bill credit on their December 2022 bill. The City plans to utilize the remaining \$25 million for other projects.