

# **MINUTES**

# **Citizens Advisory Committee**

**WebEx** 

January 11, 2023 | 11:30 a.m.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Member of CAC	<u>Present</u>	On-Line	<u>Absent</u>
Richard Farias	✓		
Lawson Picasso	✓		
Diana Aguirre Martinez	✓		
Frank Gonzalez			$\checkmark$
Cliff Soloway		$\checkmark$	
Raquel Zapata			$\checkmark$
Adelita Cantu			$\checkmark$
John Kelly	✓		
Tom Corser	$\checkmark$		
Vanessa Alvarado		✓	
Mary Dennis	✓		
Bill Day	✓		
Andra Clapsaddle		✓	
Steve Bonnette	$\checkmark$		
Bob Zapata	$\checkmark$		

#### **Also Present were:**

Diana Coleman	Velma Corona	Melissa Carrillo Cox	Carla De La Chapa
Benny Ethridge	KJ Feder	Gabriel Garcia	Kathy Garcia
Rudy Garza	Ashley Glotzer	DeAnna Hardwick	Julia Carrillo Haynes
David Kee	Ann Kinnard	Christian Krueger	Megan Kucera
Louis Labatt	Loretta McCrary	Richard Medina	Kari Meyer
Milady Nazir	Christine Patmon	Yvonne Pelayo	Unity Puente
Shanna Ramirez	Dominique Ramos	David Rivela	Prabha Somawardana
Marie Stoner	Ken Whelan		

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND SAFETY MESSAGE**

The meeting was called to order at 11:34 a.m. by Chair John Kelly.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the CAC meeting held on December 7, 2022 were approved as read. Motion by Mary Dennis seconded by Diana Martinez.

#### **STAFF UPDATE**

Yvonne informed the Committee that CPS Energy will go before San Antonio City Council on January 12, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., where they will give a briefing on the generation planning recommendation. The Council meeting is streamed online and available at www.sanantonio.gov/tvsa/liveontheweb.

CPS Energy will return to San Antonio City Council on January 26 to request condemnation authority, in the event it is needed, for the Scenic Loop Transmission Project. That Council meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. and can be viewed via livestream at www.sanantonio.gov/tvsa/liveontheweb.

Yvonne Pelayo then informed the Committee of the following meetings:

- CPS Energy Board of Trustee Special Meeting January 23 at 1:00 p.m.
- City of San Antonio's Municipal Utilities Committee January 24, at 10:00 a.m.
- CPS Energy Board of Trustees Regular Meeting January 30 at 1:00 p.m.
- Next CAC meeting February 8 at 11:30 a.m.
- Rate Advisory Committee February 16, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **ERCOT MARKET BRIEFING**

David Kee, Director, Energy Market Policy, briefed the Committee on potential changes related to the design of the ERCOT energy market. David's presentation covered the following areas:

- ERCOT, PUC and State Leaders utilize the energy market to provide reliability to customers
- Wholesale electric markets are key to creating incentives for generation investment
- The PUC has overarching authority over the energy market
  - Making incremental changes, moving to a capacity market
  - o Creating an incentive for dispatchable generation, which is what state leaders want

### **PUC Perspective & Activity**

- Market design is a top priority
- o PUC Commissioners are highly motivated to improve the market.

#### **Efforts & Timelines**

o This coming Legislative Session is likely to influence the PUC's direction & speed

#### Our Interaction and Focus

 CPS Energy aligns well with everything that's been proposed, we continue to assess the potential scenario(s)

#### 88<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE

Kari Meyer, Director of Federal & State Relations, and Christian Krueger, Manager of Federal & State Relations, provided a presentation on CPS Energy and the 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session.

Topics covered by Kari & Christian included the following:

- State Election Recap
  - Republicans maintain control of both the House and Senate
  - o Texas House Speaker is Representative Dade Phelan (R) from Beaumont
- Statewide Priorities
- Anticipated energy industry issues
- CPS Energy's State Legislative priorities

#### **COMMITTEE ROUNTABLE DISCUSSION**

Closing remarks were made by CPS Energy President & CEO Rudy Garza.

Chair John Kelly asked each member to make announcements or comments and encouraged the CAC members to continue to request topics for discussion at future meetings.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM.