



## **Citizens Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting Notes 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021**

### **April 14, 2021**

On Wednesday, April 14, 2021 the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting via WebEx.

John Leal, Director of Local Government Relations provided an update on CPS Energy's response to Winter Storm Uri. He stated that CPS Energy has received numerous inquiries, both formal and informal, regarding how CPS Energy conducted operations before, during and after the storm. CPS Energy is working to respond to the inquiries.

Brandon Pixley, Director of Threat Intel & Security Awareness presented on the integrated security structure and discussed the cyber security controls utilized by CPS Energy. Topics covered by Brandon included the following:

- Integrated Security Approach
- Cybersecurity Landscape
- Cyber Environments
- Security Framework
- Maturity Model

Rudy Garza, Chief Customer Engagement Officer provided an update on the Rate Advisory Committee (RAC) and the status of selecting RAC members.

Rudy mentioned that CPS Energy received over 280 applications from across the service territory, from which 21 members will be selected to serve. As of this meeting, nine of the 10 council members had submitted their selection. Rudy stated there will be a special CPS Energy Board of Trustees meeting on April 22 to ratify the selections from council members, select their appointees and determine a Chair and Vice Chair. At this same meeting the Bylaws will be updated and adopted.

**May 12, 2021**

On Wednesday, May 12, 2021 the CAC held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting via WebEx

Antonio DeMendonca, Energy and Delivery Services Project manager gave a brief update on the Tezel Substation recommended site.

Kari Meyer, Director of Federal & State Relations gave an update on the 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session.

**June 9, 2021**

On Wednesday, June 9, 2021 the CAC held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting via WebEx.

Cory Kuchinsky, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer, and Shannon Albert, Vice President of Accounting provided an update on CPS Energy's financial landscape. They discussed the proposed budget for FY 22 and process by which CPS Energy seeks budget approval. They then discussed the potential need for a rate increase, the items for which the additional funds would be used and pointed out that even before the impacts of the Pandemic and Winter Storm Uri the need for an increase in rates was building. Ultimately, a rate increase is not being recommended for approval at this time.

Rudy Garza, Chief Customer and Stakeholder Engagement Officer, provided an update on the Rate Advisory Committee (RAC). The RAC, which is Chaired by Reed Williams and Vice-Chaired by Eloisa Portillo Morales, held its first meeting on May 27 as a hybrid meeting at CPS headquarters. All the meetings will be public, and all meeting material can be found at [www.cpsenergy.com/RAC](http://www.cpsenergy.com/RAC).