2019 Look Ahead
South’s Best

Named **number 1** on The South’s Best Cities to Live in 2018 by *Southern Living*

Number 12 on The South’s Prettiest Cities 2018 list by *Southern Living*
Citizen Survey

81 percent of residents rate the value of city services as good or excellent.

98 percent of respondents rate overall quality of life in Georgetown as good or excellent.
Addressing Current and Future Challenges

Electric Purchased Power Costs
Transportation
Water/Wastewater
2030 Plan
Q&A
Electric Purchased Power Costs

BACKGROUND AND CURRENT STATUS OF THE CITY’S ELECTRIC FUND
2008 Purchased Power Goals

Current policy direction on power portfolio goals
- Competitively priced
- Long-term stable rates on energy
- Mitigate regulatory, legislative, and financial risk
- 30% renewable by 2030

2008 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)
- 30% Renewable
- 30% Coal
- 30% Gas
- 10% Market
- Substitute Nuclear power for Coal or Gas if available
Contract History

LCRA Primary Provider of energy from 1940-2012
- Did not renew as they couldn’t meet purchased power goals
  - Aging fleet
  - New investments were expensive
  - No rate guarantees to the City

2008 – Signed small wind contract with AEP as a pass through deal for Southwestern University

Utility had no other sources of power at this time
State of markets in 2008-2012

All forms of power were expensive to acquire

City evaluated multiple options in wind, coal, and gas

Every option was above electric rate targets
Competitive Procurement of Purchased Power

2012
- LCRA contract terminated
- Began competitive procurement for energy (gas, coal, wind, solar, and nuclear)

Philosophical design for the utility
- Targeted peak vs. base load protection
- Targeted future vs. current needs

2008-2012 had shown a high frequency of price spikes during peak demand
Competitive Procurement of Purchased Power

2012
- Mercuria (MEA) contract approved through 2021 (Gas Contract)
- No long-term contracts available due to ERCOT forecasting shortage and resulting high energy prices

2013
- Spinning Spur 3 (SS3) contract approved through 2035 (Wind Contract)

2015
- Buckthorn Contract approved through 2043 (Solar Contract)
Competitive Procurement of Purchased Power

Blocks of Power versus Load

- Base Load
- Wind
- Solar
- Short
- SS3 Long
- Solar Long
- Actual Load

Hours of the Day

MWs

0 50 100 150 200 250

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
Annual Peak Supply

*MEA block ($$) expires at the end of Dec. 2021
Why the long position?

Georgetown’s energy demand was growing rapidly

High frequency of price spikes for peaking energy in 2008-2014

ERCOT was forecasting energy shortages past 2021

Forecast for energy market predicted increasing prices
State of the energy market in 2016

Mild weather depressed power prices throughout the year

Power

Natural Gas

$/mWh in SLZ

$/mmBtu

2013 Power Forward curve
Actual Price

2013 GAS price forward
Actual Price
State of the energy market in 2017

Hurricane Harvey disrupted all of ERCOT

Energy prices crashed
State of the energy market in 2018

Return to normal weather patterns

Normal market performance in late-May and all of June

Prices crashed as more generation came online
State of the current energy market

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Natural Gas

- 2013 GAS price forward
- Actual GAS and current forward

$/mmBtu

Date:
- 1/29/2016
- 3/29/2016
- 5/29/2016
- 7/29/2016
- 9/29/2016
- 1/29/2017
- 3/29/2017
- 5/29/2017
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- 5/29/2021
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- 9/29/2021
- 11/29/2021
2019 electric fund actions

• Budget based on rate target
• Took advantage of November natural gas price spike to sell 2019 MEA gas and energy into the forward market
• Initiated discussions with SS3 and Buckthorn on contract structure
• Actively soliciting proposals from other utilities and brokers on selling remaining long position
• Updating management strategies
• Seeking alternatives for portfolio management going forward
Electric Rate Structure

Base Monthly Charge (100% of fixed costs)
- Currently $24.80 per month (up from $20.00 to offset increased investment)

Variable per kWh Charge
- Target for all Power and Transmission Costs including ERCOT Fees and Charges
  - $0.0629 per kWh
- Power Cost Adjustment Factor (PCA)
  - $0.004 per kWh
- Delivery costs, fees, and charges incurred by the City
  - $0.0329 per kWh
- Transmission Cost Adjustment Factor (TCA)
  - 0.000 per kWh
    - Used when unexpected increases to transmission rates occur during a budget year
PCA Adjustment

Effective Feb. 1 the City will adjust the PCA by $0.0135 per kwh through the end of September.

The average customer uses 949 kilowatt hours per month and will experience a $12.82 increase on their monthly bill.

The PCA adjustment will generate $6 million in FY2019, and is needed to ensure the financial stability of the electric fund should steps to reduce the long position take longer to implement than expected.
Transportation

Williams Drive
  I-35 intersection
  Lakeway intersection
  Rivery Blvd. and Northwest Blvd.

Overlay Treatment in Sun City
Water and Wastewater

Sun City Water Tower
Berry Creek Interceptor

Raising The 2 Million Gallon Water Tank In Sun City

8 a.m.  10 a.m.  1 p.m.
Water and Wastewater
2030 Plan

Began an update to the 2030 Comprehensive Plan

City hosted On the Table in September, involving more than 1,500 people

Long Range Land Use Map

Future housing options

Commercial corridors
Cost of Service

Combined Monthly Property Tax Rate and Utility Rate
(Home Value - $250,000)

- Round Rock: 313
- Cedar Park: 313
- Georgetown: 323
- Pflugerville: 333
- Temple: 341
- Killeen: 361
- Leander: 369
- Hutto: 404
- Austin: 434
- Taylor: 450
- San Marcos: 451