

MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

April 19, 2021

6:50 PM

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AGENDA:

Public Input:

1. Order authorizing cooperative purchasing of electricity and authorizing the Town to enter into an agreement between the Town of Hamden and CCM Services, LLC and Titan Energy New England, Inc. and any agreement between the Town of Hamden and energy suppliers

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TOWN OF HAMDEN OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Curt Balzano Leng
Mayor

March 31, 2021

Legislative Council
Hamden Government Center
Hamden, CT 06518

Re: ORDER AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE PURCHASING OF ELECTRICITY AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND CCM SERVICES, LLC AND TITAN ENERGY ENGLAND, INC. AND ANY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND ENERGY SUPPLIERS

Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find an order for the Town of Hamden to participate in a cooperative purchasing of electricity through the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) Energy Purchasing Program and Titan Energy New England, Inc. The Town of Hamden has collaborated with CCM in the procurement and purchase of sustainable energy for many years. This opportunity offers the Town more cost saving options when selecting energy suppliers than would be available to us as a single entity.

The bid is conducted by CCM and its consultants who validate the respondents and suggest the best options to the participating municipalities. In 2018 the Town of Hamden took advantage of this opportunity, which allowed a reduction in its per kWh costs for electricity.

Please see attached correspondence from Acting Finance Director Scott Jackson and Town Attorney Sue Gruen for your review.

By copy of this letter, Acting Finance Director Scott Jackson is hereby requested to attend your meeting to answer any questions you may have.

Your approval of this order is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Curt Balzano Leng, Mayor

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Enclosures

cc: Town Attorney Sue Gruen, Purchasing Agent Phil Goodwin, Energy Coordinator Kathleen Schomaker, AFD Scott Jackson, DFD Rick Galarza, ACOS Adam Sendroff, DCOS Patrick Donnelly, DOLA Walter Morton, Mayor's Office File

Memo

To: Mayor Leng

From: Scott Jackson 

cc:  Adam Sendroff, Patrick Donnelly

Date: April 1, 2021

Re: Cooperative Purchase of Electricity through CCM

As you know, aggressive pursuit of savings through energy management (including procurement, usage, and sourcing) is one of the areas in which the Town can control expenditures. To that end, the Town has collaborated with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) for the cooperative purchase of electricity for many years. By blending our consumption with that of neighboring communities, we are able to assemble an attractive package for energy suppliers that, through guaranteed volume, drives our costs below what would be available to us as a single entity.

CCM and its consultants conduct the bid, validate the respondents, and suggest options to the participating communities. This process was last undertaken in 2018, when the Town was able to reduce its per kWh rate for electricity.

Due to the volatility of energy markets, the Town must accept or reject an option within 4 hours of bid submission. As such, we must obtain prior approval from the Legislative Council allowing the Mayor to execute any required agreements (for a period ranging from 12 to 36 months) and submit such to the Legislative Council at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Town Attorney's Office

MEMO

To: Mayor Curt Leng
From: Sue Gruen, Town Attorney
Date: March 31, 2021
Cc: Scott Jackson, Acting Finance Director
Phil Goodwin, Purchasing Agent
Adam Sendroff, COS
Patrick Donnelly, DCOS
Kathleen Schomaker, Energy Coordinator
Re: Order- CCM Electricity Purchasing Program

Attached is an Order authorizing the Town to participate in the CCM Purchasing Program for electricity. Please forward this to the Council for approval.

**TOWN OF HAMDEN
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**ORDER AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE PURCHASING OF ELECTRICITY AND AUTHORIZING
THE TOWN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND
CCM SERVICES, LLC AND TITAN ENERGY NEW ENGLAND, INC. AND
ANY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAMDEN AND ENERGY SUPPLIERS**

Presented by: _____

WHEREAS, the Town of Hamden wishes to participate in the cooperative purchasing of electricity through the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) Energy Purchasing Program and Titan Energy New England, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, participation in this program will allow the Town to take advantage of the increased purchasing power of a collective purchasing group; and

WHEREAS, bids for electricity purchases are received by the Town and must be accepted or rejected by 4 p.m. the same day and therefore the Town seeks permission to enter into and execute agreements with such Energy Suppliers for such purchases; and

WHEREAS any agreements with the Energy suppliers may be of duration of more than 12 months but shall not exceed thirty six (36) months.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that the Legislative Council hereby authorizes the cooperative purchasing of electricity through the CCM Energy Purchasing Program and is further authorized to execute a contract with CCM Services, LLC and Titan Energy New England, Inc.

BE IT ORDERED that upon the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, the Mayor in his sole discretion is authorized to execute, on behalf of the Town of Hamden, a retail electric supply agreement with Energy Suppliers.

BI IT FURTHER ORDERED that where practical, the Mayor shall submit agreements with Energy Suppliers to the Legislative Council, however if time does not permit, the Mayor is authorized to execute the agreement, in which case the Mayor shall provide the Legislative Council a copy of the executed agreement at the Legislative Council's next meeting.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that any agreement with Energy Suppliers executed pursuant to this order may be of duration of more than twelve (12) months but shall not exceed thirty six (36) months.

Adopted by the Legislative Council at its meeting held on _____, 2021.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Susan Gruen
Town Attorney

Michael McGarry, President
Legislative Council

Kim Renta, Clerk
Legislative Council

APPROVED:

Date: _____

Curt Balzano Leng, Mayor