



Alameda Municipal Power

Department Summary

Department Overview

Alameda Municipal Power (AMP) provides electricity to all the residents and businesses of Alameda. The Bureau of Electricity, which does business as “Alameda Municipal Power”, began operation in 1887 and was the first municipal electric utility in California. AMP is under the policy control of the Public Utilities Board (PUB), in accordance with the Alameda City Charter. The PUB consists of four members appointed by the City Council, and the City Manager. Starting in FY 09-10 after selling its telecom system, AMP began a fundamental reorganization that included the adoption of a Strategic Plan and aligning staff resources to achieve its purpose. Each year, the PUB identifies key upcoming issues and sets priorities for the department. The electric utility industry is facing an era of unprecedented change, and during FY 12-13, AMP will continue to strengthen its foundation to meet the technology and workforce transformation that is taking place in the utility industry. The short- to mid-term focus will be on electric reliability compliance, while the mid- to long-term focus will be on developing and implementing advanced technology blueprints.

Alameda joined the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) in 1968, is a participant in most NCPA projects, and has also procured other power supply resources independently. AMP electric resources have the highest renewable content (64%) of any utility in California. In addition, NCPA has developed electric dispatch and transmission capabilities that contribute to Alameda electric utility services. AMP serves all of Alameda and has approximately 93 pole miles of overhead lines and more than 173 cable miles of underground lines. It serves approximately 34,280 customers, comprised of approximately 30,170 residential customers and 4,110 commercial, industrial and other users, and had a peak demand of approximately 71 megawatts.

Goals

- In January 2012, the PUB discussed 15 initiatives to be addressed by the utility over the next few years. Additionally, the PUB reaffirmed the Strategic Plan, and endorsed the plan to continue to “strengthen the foundation” of AMP with a focus on compliance and safety. The five metrics of Customer and Community Value and Satisfaction, Rates, Reliability, Resources, and Workforce will continue to be measured and enhanced.
- The Board identified the following initiatives as priorities for FY 12-13: (1) Advanced Technology Business Plan; (2) Workforce Development; and (3) Change Management.



Workplan Highlights

- Be fully prepared for the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) electric reliability compliance audit; and complete development of the department internal Compliance Plans.
- While keeping electric rates below PG&E rates, implement year four of the five-year rate increase plan.
- Develop a comprehensive business case for advanced technology.
- Develop a workforce strategic plan.
- Develop a high level organization review.
- Develop a change management plan.
- Utilize results of the Cost-of-Service study to develop a framework for future rates.
- Sell renewable power for short-term and reserve all revenues for investment in reducing greenhouse gases emissions related to electricity use.



City of Alameda Budget and Forecast

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Summary of Expenditures and Revenues

<i>Expenditure Category</i>	FY 10-11 Actual	FY 11-12 Budget	FY 11-12 Projected	FY 12-13 Budget	FY 13-14 Forecast
Personnel Services	\$ 6,544,769	\$ 7,707,760	\$ 7,045,200	\$ 7,714,800	\$ 7,848,200
Contractual Services	4,891,743	6,268,466	5,406,800	7,267,100	7,332,600
Materials & Supplies	1,215,591	1,826,034	1,115,300	1,653,400	1,681,300
Purchased Power	25,159,229	29,421,000	29,003,300	30,312,700	31,108,000
Capital Outlay	912,832	4,604,000	1,700,000	3,355,900	6,194,200
Debt Service	1,634,803	2,629,640	2,629,640	2,693,440	2,871,600
PILOT / ROI / Transfer	5,456,408	4,100,000	4,100,000	4,085,210	4,166,900
Total	\$ 45,815,375	\$ 56,556,900	\$ 51,000,240	\$ 57,082,550	\$ 61,202,800

Revenue

	FY 10-11 Actual	FY 11-12 Budget	FY 11-12 Projected	FY 12-13 Budget	FY 13-14 Forecast
Sales of Electricity	\$ 49,866,684	\$ 52,169,400	\$ 51,000,000	\$ 53,111,100	\$ 55,200,000
Retain: UUD Reserve Funding	(997,500)	\$ (1,043,400)	\$ (1,020,000)	\$ (1,062,200)	\$ (1,104,000)
SB1 Solar Surcharge	369,073	420,000	420,000	420,000	420,000
REC Sales Net Income	-	-	-	4,873,500	4,200,000
Retain: REC Income Reserve Fundi	-	-	-	(4,873,500)	(4,200,000)
Other Operating Revenues	155,520	116,000	216,400	116,000	118,300
Interest Income	160,823	141,700	100,000	120,000	122,400
Other Income (Net)	613,426	165,560	188,000	175,160	183,900
Reserve Spending	368,600	1,548,500	50,000	50,000	750,000
Totals	\$ 50,536,626	\$ 53,517,760	\$ 50,954,400	\$ 52,930,060	\$ 55,690,600

Net Alameda Municipal Power (AMP)

\$ 4,721,251	\$ (3,039,140)	\$ (45,840)	\$ (4,152,490)	\$ (5,512,200)
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Designated / Undesignated Reserves

\$ 36,120,828	\$ 33,120,900	\$ 33,000,000	\$ 29,100,000	\$ 24,587,000
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Authorized Positions

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