

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES 06/09/2010



Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Minutes

Regular Meeting
09 June, 2010

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 09 June, 2010 at 301 West 2nd Street, Council Chambers Room in Austin, Texas.

Chair Gerry Acuna called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Gerry Acuna, Rick Cofer, Fayez Kazi, Brent Perdue, Bob Schafer, Maydelle Fason

Staff in Attendance:

Howard Lazarus, Bob Gedert, Annette Moreno, Jessica King, David Smythe-Macaulay, Vidal Maldonado, Amy Slagle, Richard McHale, Sam Angoori, Donald Hardee

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Robin Schneider with Texas Campaign for the Environment complimented the City on the new Boards and Commission website.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of 06/09/10 were approved on a Commissioner Maydelle Fason motion, Commissioner Bob Schafer second on a 5-0-1 vote. Fayez Kazi abstained.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Material Recovery Facility RFP Resolution – A resolution request Council action on the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) Request for Proposal (RFP) was approved on a Commissioner Rick Cofer motion, Commissioner Maydelle Fason second on a 4-0-2 vote. Commissioner Bob Schafer abstained. Commissioner Gerry Acuna recused himself from this item due to a conflict of interest and left the dais.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. **Toilet Recycling** – Drema Gross with the Austin Water Utility (AWU) discussed the toilet recycling pilot program. AWU and Solid Waste Services (SWS) have entered into an agreement to provide recycling of toilets for the City of Austin. Texas Disposal Systems (TDS) was awarded the contract to collect the toilets.
- b. **Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Presentation**
- c. **Single Stream Recycling Contract Update** – SWS Director Bob Gedert gave a Power Point presentation describing the FY 2011 SWS Budget and the current single stream recycling contract.

- d. **FM 812 Landfill Closure (Change Order) Request for Council Action** – Tony Davee, Project Manager with SWS asked the Commission to recommend Council approval of FM 812 Landfill Closure Change Order and answered questions.

A motion to recommend Council authorize execution of change order # 4 to the construction contract with RANGER EXCAVATING, L.P., Austin, TX, for FM 812 Landfill Final Closure and Erosion Control Improvements project in the amount of \$470,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,197,483.50 was approved on Commissioner Fayez Kazi motion, Commissioner Maydelle Fason second on a 5-0-1 vote. Commissioner Bob Schafer abstained.

- e. **Director's Report** – SWS Director Bob Gedert presented to the Commission performance measures and department highlights for the past month.

- f. **Allied Waste Presentation on the Material Recovery Facility (MRF)** – Item removed from the agenda.

- g. **Staff Recommendation to Council Regarding the Single Stream Contract** – SWS Director Bob Gedert gave a Power Point presentation describing staffs recommendation to Council on the MFR RFP and answered Commissioner's questions. Commissioner Gerry Acuna recused himself from this item due to a conflict of interest and left the dais.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Further detail on the FY 2011 Budget, Material Recovery Facility update, Recycling Ordinance Sub-committee Recommendations

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gerry Acuna adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m. without objection.