

Solid Waste Advisory Commission Minutes

Regular Meeting 08 December, 2010

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 08 December, 2010 at 301 West 2nd Street, Council Chambers Room in Austin, Texas.

Chair Gerry Acuna called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Gerry Acuna, Rick Cofer, Maydelle Fason, Bob Schafer, Brent Perdue, Rahm McDaniel

Staff in Attendance:

Bob Gedert, Jessica King, Annette Moreno, Sam Angoori, Donald Hardee, Shirley Gillespie, Alanna Reed, Gena McKinley, Aiden Cohen, and Vidal Maldonado

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

No citizen communication

2. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of 11/10/10 were approved on Commissioner Bob Schafer motion, Commissioner Rahm McDaniel second on a 5-0-1 vote. Maydelle Fason abstained as she was not in attendance for the November 10, 2010 Meeting.

3. OLD BUSINESS – Bylaws Sub-Committee Recommendations

A motion to recommend amendments to the SWAC Bylaws with two additions (1) Section E, Number 22 to include "promote education to the public and private sectors on zero waste and landfill diversion" and Section F, Number 10 "Review activities of conversion technologies" was approved on Commissioner Brent Perdue motion, Commissioner Bob Schafer second on a 6-0-0 vote.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Climate Protection Plan, Austin Energy

Mary Pretty, Education and Outreach Coordinator with the Austin Climate Protection Program presented on this item. She reviewed the Municipal Plan, Community Plan and "Go Neutral" Plan.

b. Hornsby Bend Master Plan, Austin Water Utility

James King, Project Manager for the Hornsby Bend Master Plan introduced this item. Jody Slagle, Compost Manager presented the Hornsby Bend Overview. Lynn Moss presented on the Hornsby Bend Master Plan Background and Objectives. Much of the discussion included options for processing food waste/FOG, bio energy/CNG, and compost and yard trimmings.

c. Events Recycling Report, Solid Waste Services

Jessica King, Strategic Initiative Division Manager presented on the background and next steps of this item. Gena McKinley, Planner Principal, presented on the national best practices, methodology and lessons learned. This item will be revisited as a future agenda item.

- d. **Director's Report -** Bob Gedert, Director of Solid Waste Services Presented on the following items:
 - Department Performance Measures
 - Update on Department Master Plan
 - Update on Event Recycling
 - ° Update on Meeting with SWS and The University of Texas at Austin
 - Announcement of HHW Facilities Hours
 - Announcement of Public Presentations made by SWS Director
 - Update on Long Term and Short Term Recycling Processing Agreements

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Green Events Ordinance
Bottle Bill Legislation
Plastic Bag Report
RW Beck Plans for the MRF
Code Compliance – Public Safety Commission or SWAC
Greenstar Contract Post Mortem

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gerry Acuna adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. without objection.