

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES 02/09/2011



Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Minutes

Regular Meeting
09 February, 2011

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 09 February, 2011 at 301 West 2nd Street, Council Chambers Room in Austin, Texas.

Chair Gerry Acuna called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

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

Staff in Attendance:

Annette Moreno, Jessica King, Sam Angoori, Bob Gedert, Howard Lazarus, Keith Murray, Phillip Tindall, Cherilyn Wadley, and Richard McHale

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Citizen Scott Johnson addressed the commission to discuss programmable thermostats recalls, possible opt-out of receiving telephone books, and a recycling/public sector rebate program at City sponsored/public sponsored events.

Joe Diffie with Ecology Action presented a report to the commission on Ecology Action's 2010 materials numbers.

Adam Gregory with Texas Disposal Systems presented a report to the commission on a written response to the Greenstar advertisement published in the Austin American Statesman on February 6, 2011. A second document was given to the commission comparing the TDS short-term contract and the City of Austin's request for proposal (for recycling services) responses.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of 01/12/11 were approved on a Commissioner Maydelle Fason motion, Commissioner Rahm McDaniel second on a 6-0-1 vote. Commissioner Faye Kazi abstained.

3. OLD BUSINESS

Approval of New SWAC Bylaws – A motion to approve the new commission bylaws were approved on a Commissioner Brent Perdue motion, Commissioner Bob Schafer second on a 7-0-0 vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Review the SWAC 2010 Work Plan – The work plan will be discussed at the commission's next meeting (March 9, 2011).

b. Develop the SWAC 2011 Goals – The goals will be developed at the commission's next meeting (March 9, 2011).

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Request for Council Action – A motion to request council authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Procurement and Support Services Cooperative Purchasing Program administered by the Office of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) with TOTER INCORPORATED of Statesville, NC for the purchase of residential garbage carts and single-stream recycling carts in an amount not to exceed \$1,117,044.24 was approved on a Commissioner Faye Kazi motion, Commissioner Maydelle Fason second on a 7-0-0 vote.

b. Director's Report – Solid Waste Services Director Bob Gedert discussed his report on the following items: UT Partnership, Department Renaming, Glass Recycling Options, City Department Partnerships, Department Business Plan, Horizon Issues, Long Term Recycling Processing Agreement and Performance Measures.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

2010 work plan, 2011 goals, Update on Todd Lane facility, Hazardous pay for Solid Waste Services employees, 2011 Budget for Code Compliance, Discuss Code Compliances' customer service survey results, discuss phone books, long term recycling contract, recycling rebate pilot program

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gerry Acuna adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m. without objection.