

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES 03/16/2011



Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Minutes

Regular Meeting
16 March, 2011

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 16 March, 2011 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, Faye Kazi, Brent Perdue, Rahm McDaniel

Staff in Attendance:

Annette Moreno, Jessica King, Sam Angoori, Bob Gedert, Howard Lazarus, Tammie Williamson, Phillip Tindall, Ron Romero, Richard McHale, Shirley Gillespie, Robert Rowan, Gabriella Powers, Glenn O'Reilly, Roshanda Smiley, Donald Hardee, Melissa Prescott, Cherilyn Wadley, Sharon Callis

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION – No Speakers

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of 02/09/11 were approved on a Commissioner Rahm McDaniel motion, Commissioner Rick Cofer second on a 6-0-0 vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

Review SWAC 2010 Goals and Develop SWAC 2011 Goals – A motion to adopt the 2011 Work Plan to include the following items: SWS Master Plan, Zero Waste Strategic Plan Implementation, Composting Program, Commercial/Multi Family Reform/Recycling Ordinance, COA Material Recovery Facility/Single Stream Recycling, Northeast Landfills, Revised Hauler Fee Ordinance, Green Building/C & D Recycling, Conversion Technologies, Electronic Waste and Recycling, and Development of an Airport Recycling Program; was approved on a Commissioner Rick Cofer motion, Commissioner Faye Kazi second on a 6-0-0 vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

SWAC Bylaws: Recommendations from Bylaw Committee – the Commission asked SWS staff if they could propose language that will add Code Compliance to the SWAC bylaws and purview. Item was tabled to a future meeting.

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Long Term Recycling Contract Power Point Presentation – Commission Chair Gerry Acuna recused himself from this item due to a conflict of interest, and left

- the dais. Citizen JD Porter was allowed to speak on the item. A presentation was made by SWS Director, Bob Gedert. Mr. Gedert answered commissioner questions and agreed to bring the item back to the commission at their next meeting.
- b. Downtown Services Contract – A presentation was made by SWS staff, followed by a question and answer session. Adam Gregory with Texas Disposal Systems was allowed to speak on the item. A motion to approve the RCA was approved on a Commissioner Rick Cofer motion, Commissioner Fayez Kazi second on a 5-0-1 vote. Commissioner Rahm McDaniel abstained.
 - c. Department Director's Report
Telephone Books Opt-Out Options, Update on Todd Lane Facility, Event Recycling Rebate Program, Master Plan Update, Trash Project Update, Date-to-go-Zero Update, Star Employees, Annual Report and Performance Measures
6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- Meeting for April was moved from April 13th to April 6th. Agenda items proposed are the Long-Term Recycling Contract, Director's Report with an update on South by Southwest, SWS Master Plan and an invitation to Lucia Athens to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

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