SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

05/11/2011



Solid Waste Advisory Commission Minutes

Regular Meeting 11 May, 2011

The Solid Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 11 May, 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, Fayez Kazi, Brent Perdue, Bob Schafer, Maydelle Fason

Staff in Attendance:

Bob Gedert, Donald Hardee, Richard McHale, Sharon Callis, Roshanda Smiley, Keith Murray, Sue Cooper, Gabriella Powers, Robert Rowan, Cherilyn Wadley, Jessica King, Leigh Byford, and Annette Moreno

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION - None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of 05/11/2011 were approved on a Commissioner Fayez Kazi motion, Commissioner Rick Cofer second on a 5-0-2 vote. Commissioner Maydelle Fason abstained and Commissioner Rahm McDaniel was absent from the meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Public Opinion Survey Results Presentation, by In-Sink-Erator Consultant (Poll Concerning Solid Waste, Composting and Recycling Issues) – Representatives from Insinkerator and Littlefield Consulting made a presentation to the Commission and answered questions.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Forecast Presentation Solid Waste Services (SWS) Director Bob Gedert gave a presentation on the SWS Forecast and answered questions.
- b. Master Plan Presentation SWS Director Bob Gedert gave a presentation on the Master Plan and answered questions.
- c. Director's Report SWS Director Bob Gedert gave a report on the following items: Big Bellies, Dare to Go Zero, Mattress Stewardship, One Green Step, Catalog Choice, Universal Recycling Ordinance, Composting Rebate Program, Employee Recognition, Texas Public Relations Association Award, New Hire, Performance Measures

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Hauler license fee, waste to energy technologies (broad overview of what waste to energy or conversion means, what are the modern developments in the various technologies), budget, master plan update, SWS environmental awareness award, event recycling, briefing

from Code Compliance, public hearing on Code Compliance, update on departmental name change and re-branding (in director's report), minutes from city council that are related to Solid Waste (added to SWAC packet).

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gerry Acuna adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m. without objection.