

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, Ecology Action has served the Austin community for over 43 years as a volunteer organization promoting recycling and environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, Ecology Action has long been an innovator in waste diversion programs such as Austin's first workplace recycling program in 1980, curbside recycling in conjunction with the City of Austin in 1982, began Texas' first plastics recycling program in 1989, and established numerous rural recycling centers throughout Central Texas; and

WHEREAS, Ecology Action has long been a significant partner supporting the City of Austin's zero waste goals; and

WHEREAS, the Zero Waste Advisory Commission adopted Resolution No. 20131113-004a recommending the Austin City Council support the relocation of Ecology Action, possibly on City owned land, as a means to further increase the diversion of recyclable items from landfills through public recycling opportunities in support of the City's zero waste goals; and

WHEREAS, Ecology Action's downtown location is under pressure to be redeveloped; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That City Council directs the City Manager to enter into discussions with Ecology Action regarding their future facility needs and possible lease of City property.

ADOPTED: _____, 2013 **ATTEST:** _____

Jannette Goodall
City Clerk