



To: Zero Waste Advisory Commission

From: Bob Gedert, Department Director, Austin Resource Recovery

Date: April 9, 2014

Subject: **Trash and Recycling Collection and Hauling Services Contract–Central Business District**

The purpose of this item is to obtain a favorable ZWAC recommendation for the City Council to authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with **TEXAS DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, INC.**, or another qualified bidder, to provide refuse and recycling collection and hauling services within the Downtown Central Business District of Austin in an amount not to exceed \$6,234,879, with three (3) 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,078,293 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$12,469,758.

Purpose and Background

This contract will provide for daily refuse and recycling services in the alleys of the Downtown Central Business District. In addition to refuse and recycling collection, this contract will provide for cleaning and maintenance of all the alleys in the service district. Trash containers are currently serviced seven (7) days per week and recycling containers are currently serviced three (3) days per week. The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity, size, and collection frequency of containers at any time. The contract will require additional collection services for special events held in the district as directed by the City. The contract will also provide for the addition, relocation or removal of containers as downtown business requirements change.

Contract Timeline

January 13th – Invitation for Bid – Best Value Issued by COA Corporate Purchasing Office
January 17th – Pre-Bid Conference
February 18th – Solicitation Closing (Bid Submittal Deadline)
February 27th – Bid Evaluation Complete – Contract Award Recommendation Provided by ARR
April 9th – ZWAC Recommendation
April 17th – City Council Date

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends City Council authorization of the award and execution of a contract with **TEXAS DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, INC.**, or another qualified bidder, for refuse and recycling collection and hauling services within the Downtown Central Business District of Austin in an amount not to exceed \$6,234,879 for the initial 36-month term, with three (3) 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,078,293 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$12,469,758.