

**ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION (ZWAC) – CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION (C&D) ORDINANCE
REFORM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 3, 2014**



**Zero Waste Advisory Commission
Construction and Demolition (C&D) Ordinance Reform Committee**

**Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2014**

The C&D Reform Committee of the Zero Waste Advisory Commission (ZWAC) convened on November 3, 2014, at the Terrazas Branch Library meeting room at 1105 E Cesar Chavez, Austin, Texas.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Dave Sullivan (Chair), Rachel Hering, Faye Kazi (2:40 p.m.), Rick Cofer, ex officio

City Staff in Attendance:

ARR: Jessica King, Gena McKinley, Woody Raine, Sarah Puffer, Natalie Betts, Jason McCombs
Austin Energy Green Building: Cassidy Ellis, Katherine Murray

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- a. Committee Chair Dave Sullivan called the Committee Meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.
- b. Committee Chair Dave Sullivan facilitated introductions of Committee Members.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION GENERAL:

- a. One (1) citizen spoke during the opportunity for citizen communication.
Holly Kincannon, Preservation Austin, commented on the importance of preservation and adaptive reuse of materials.

3. APROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. With no objections, the Committee approved the minutes for their August 28, 2014 meeting.

4. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. Construction Material Recycling Ordinance Intent
 - Staff presentation: Woody Raine presented information on Austin's material stream and building permits, green building programs, and other jurisdictions' ordinances.
 - Citizen communication – Andrew Dobbs, Texas Campaign for the Environment, expressed support of the October 8, 2013 ZWAC-proposed ordinance intent schedule.
 - Discussion – Commissioners, city staff, and others in attendance discussed the following topics:
 - Feasibility of ZWAC-proposed schedule for expanding coverage and increasing diversion rates
 - Material processing capacity and market demand
 - Impact on cost of living in Austin
 - Process and schedule for developing an ordinance

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- Action
 - Commissioner Sullivan proposed removing the 2017 requirements and adding requirements that staff conduct and present to Council prior to the 2020 and 2030 effective dates, which would not be conditional upon the findings:
 - an economic impact statement for household affordability
 - an economic assessment of the markets for C&D materials
 - Commissioner Hering moved to approve the proposal. Commissioner Kazi seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Dave Sullivan called the meeting to a close at 3:30 p.m. without objection.