

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, organizations such as Goodwill, Salvation Army, Easter Seals, and others provide immense community benefits and contribute to character and culture of the City of Austin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin desires to do all it can to empower these organizations to continue to provide the community benefits they do; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has ambitious zero waste goals set out in the Austin Resource Recovery Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Resource Recovery Master Plan made recommendations for a curbside textile collection pilot program; and

WHEREAS, prior to issuing the request for proposals (RFP) Austin Resource Recovery did not host stakeholder meetings specific to the rollout of the curbside textile pilot program; and

WHEREAS, because the contract was a revenue contract, it did not require City Council approval which would have provided the community an opportunity to comment on the proposal; and

WHEREAS, since the contract was awarded, the organizations that recycle, reuse, and resell textiles believe that the donations to their respective organizations will be negatively impacted by the City's pilot program; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

The City Manager is directed to terminate the existing contract for curbside textile collection with Simple Recycling per section 0300, paragraph 28 (Termination Without Cause).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to conduct stakeholder meetings that include City staff, industry stakeholders, and Simple Recycling to develop recommendations for a possible contract with Simple Recycling that would not impact donations to existing businesses and organizations. If agreement on that contract is reached, staff is directed to bring the contract to the full City Council for approval and public comment.

ADOPTED: _____, 2017 **ATTEST:** _____
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk