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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

69908

Agenda Number

23.

Meeting Date:

April 6, 2017

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Approve an ordinance waiving Chapter 2-7, Article 6 (Anti-lobbying and Procurement) of the City Code for solicitations for the collection, disposal and processing of municipal solid waste, recyclables, compostables, special waste collections for City facilities, and other solid waste matters related to these items.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing
Language:

Prior Council
Action:

For More
Information:

Shawn Willett, Deputy Procurement Officer, 512-974-2021

Boards and
Commission
Action:

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

This item gives Council the opportunity to waive the application of Chapter 2-7, Article 6, the Anti-Lobbying and Procurement ordinance, for two solicitations and respondents' to such solicitations currently subject to the Anti-Lobbying Ordinance, related to refuse, recycling, organics, special waste collection, processing and disposal for City facilities, services related to compost, Class 2 industrial non-hazardous waste, and future solicitations related to municipal solid waste, including refuse, biosolids, compost, organics, recyclables and special waste which includes Class 2 industrial non-hazardous waste. The ordinance excludes waiver of the Anti-Lobbying Ordinance to solicitations related to services for consulting, marketing, and outreach for these types of municipal solid waste matters.

Passage of this item would allow the working group created by Council at its March 23, 2017 meeting, stakeholders, and City staff to exchange information and data on the solicitations for which the Anti-Lobbying Ordinance is either waived or expired, and for future solicitations related to solid waste services without the requirement of funneling all information through the authorized contact person for the solicitations. The ordinance is effective until Council takes final action on the direction for solid waste policies. This action does not create a precedent or bind the Council to waive the Anti-Lobbying Ordinance for future solicitations not covered by the ordinance and each case is reviewed separately on its own merits and in the Council's sole discretion.