



**ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION (ZWAC)
UNIVERSAL RECYCLING ORDINANCE (URO) COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 17, 2017**

The ZWAC URO Committee convened on February 17, 2017 at Austin Public Library, Terrazas Branch; Meeting Room1; 1105 East Cesar Chavez St, Austin, TX, 78702.

Committee members in attendance:

Cathy Gattuso (Chair); Kendra Bones, and Ricardo Rojo

City staff in attendance:

Aiden Cohen (ARR), Teresa Chapman (ARR), Jason McCombs (ARR), Edwin Marty (OS), and Amanda Rohlich (OS)

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Committee Chair Cathy Gattuso called the committee meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
 - b. Committee Chair Cathy Gattuso facilitated introductions of committee members, City of Austin staff, and meeting attendees.
2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Zero (0) citizens spoke during the opportunity for citizen communication.
3. MEETING MINUTES
 - a. A motion of approve the December 16, 2016 meeting minutes with no amendments or revisions was made by committee member Bones and seconded by committee member Rojo. The minutes were approved with a 3-0 vote.
4. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Teresa Chapman (ARR) briefed the Committee on the organics diversion components of the Universal Recycling Ordinance [<http://www.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=271986>].
 - b. Committee Chair Gattuso facilitated an open discussion on challenges and opportunities facing food donation and recovery efforts in Austin.
5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
 - a. Committee Chair Gattuso requested that ARR staff research how to officially place a ZWAC member on the *City of Austin, Sustainable Food Policy Board – Food Recovery Working Group*.
 - b. Committee Chair Gattuso requested a briefing from ARR staff on zero waste site assessments, specifically a walk thru of what happens on these site visits.
 - c. Committee Chair Gattuso requested a multifamily and commercial recycling contamination briefing and facilitated discussion to be placed on the next agenda.
6. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Cathy Gattuso adjourned the meeting at 4:31 p.m. without objection.