



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Recommendation Number: 20190410-004b: Review all costs and service efficiency options for Recovery and Disposal of North Austin recyclables and organics

Whereas, It is the Responsibility of the Zero Waste Advisory Commission to review, evaluate and make recommendations to the City Council and City Staff regarding policies concerning solid waste, recycling, organic management and Zero Waste; and

Whereas, Implementation and/or adherence to City policies must be reflected in the process of planning for future disposal and diversion options within the City of Austin; and

Whereas, The City of Austin has grown dramatically in population and development over the past five years and is expected to continue with this upward trajectory; and

Whereas, Austin Resource Recovery has increased its Garbage, Recycling and Organic Collection Fleet to include more than 220 Vehicles; and

Whereas, Austin Resource Recovery has determined that due to the increase in City population and development that a North Austin Recycle & Reuse Drop-Off Center is needed; and

Whereas, The Zero Waste Advisory Commission desires to ensure Austin Resource Recovery is provided with every opportunity to seek efficient, cost effective and environmentally sound disposal, recycling and organic diversion options; Now, Therefore,

Be It Resolved That the Zero Waste Advisory Commission Of the City of Austin:
Requests that Austin Resource Recovery Staff review all cost and service efficiency options for comprehensive Recovery and Disposal of North Austin recyclables, organics; and

Be it Further Resolved, that Austin Resource Recovery seek viable options for a North Austin Recycle & Reuse Drop-Off Center and a pilot pick up service for items currently accepted at the Todd Lane Recycle and Reuse Drop-Off Center; and

Be It Further Resolved, that Austin Resource Recovery determine whether through the implementation of this option cost efficiency would be achieved and more aggressive diversion opportunities would be created for City of Austin residents, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Zero Waste Advisory Commission asks that the City Council and City Management support Austin Resource Recovery with this analysis.

Date of Approval: April 10, 2019

Record of the vote: Unanimous on an 8-0 vote

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. J. [unclear]", written over a horizontal line.