

Amendment to Chapter 15-6 Solid Waste Service Administrative Rules

Section 4

ZWAC: 4/13/2022

Council: May 2022

OVERVIEW

1. Requested Contract Term, Authorization, and Current Budget

The proposed amendment has no effect on any contract terms, authorizations, or budget

2. Solicitation Information

The proposed amendment has no effect on solicitations.

3. Previous/Current Contract Information

The proposed amendment has no effect on any contract

4. Notes/Other

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REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR ZWAC

	Name	Date
Compiled By:		
Reviewed By:		
End-user/Contract Manager:		



SUBJECT

Amendment to Chapter 15-6 Solid Waste Service Administrative Rules section 4

BACKGROUND

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ACTION REQUESTED BY STAFF OF THE ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Austin Resource Recovery is requesting consideration of support for amendments to section 4.1.1 and 4.1.9 of the department administrative rules identified above to be brought forward to Austin City Council.

SUBJECT: Approval of amendments to Austin Resource Recovery Solid Waste Services Administrative Rules section 4.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: n/a

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT: Austin Resource Recovery

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Gena McKinley, Division Manager, 512-974-2192; Richard McHale, Assistant Director, 512-974-1997; Ken Snipes, Director, 512-974-1926.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: On December 11, 2014, Council approved an ordinance to amend Chapter 15-6 related to Solid Waste services, including collection services (Ordinance No. 20141211-202).

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: On DATE the Zero Waste Advisory Commission (ZWAC) voted X-X -X to support adoption of the amendment to Austin Resource Recovery Solid Waste Service Administrative Rules section 4.1.1.

PURCHASING LANGUAGE: n/a

MBE / WBE: n/a

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the amendment to Austin Resource Recovery Solid Waste Service Administrative Rules section 4.1.1 and 4.1.9.