Thursday, October 16, 2008

Solid Waste Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 30

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a one year agreement with annual renewals for Educational and Clean-up Services with Keep Austin Beautiful, Inc.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding of \$168,789 is available in the SWS Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Fund.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: William E. Rhodes, P.E., Director at 974-1970 or Brian Block, Executive Director at 391-0617.

Boards and Commission Action: Reviewed by the Solid Waste Advisory Commission.

The City of Austin and Keep Austin Beautiful (KAB) have been partners for over 20 years, working to Clean, Beautify and protect the Austin environment. The City has supported the efforts of KAB by funding two FTE's, contracting with KAB for litter control throughout Austin with their container program, and assisting their clean-up campaign through the Solid Waste Services Department, Anti-litter Program.

The proposed agreement continues this partnership by delineating the roles and responsibilities of the City and KAB. The City will fund two (2) FTE's for dedicated staff positions and provide a monetary contribution for non-personnel costs. The total cost to the City for FY 2008-2009 is \$168,789. KAB will implement programs focused on clean-up, recycling and public education regarding waste management, waste reduction, recycling and resource conservation, provide the City with an annual activity report, and an annual accounting report.

This agreement becomes effective upon execution by all parties and has a term of one year with annual renewals.