

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin has adopted Zero Waste goals which include the reduction of the amount of waste Austinites send to the landfill by 90 percent by the year 2040; and

**WHEREAS**, to reach this goal the City requires Material Recovery Facilities to process recyclables from our Single Stream program; and

**WHEREAS**, the operation of these facilities should compliment our Climate Protection Plan to reduce the carbon footprint for City operations; and

**WHEREAS**, we are fortunate to have private companies in Austin who have the experience to operate facilities to help the City reach its goals; and

**WHEREAS**, contracting for recycling services is necessary to preserve the public health of the city's residents; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

The City Manager is directed to:

- (1) negotiate with both Texas Disposal Systems (TDS) and Balcones Resources, Inc. (Balcones) for a long-term agreement for processing services for the City's Single Stream collected curbside recyclables;
- (2) present a recommendation for the long-term agreement to the council on or before September 23, 2010;
- (3) negotiate with both TDS and Balcones for a short-term transitional agreement for processing services for the City's

Single Stream collected curbside recyclables, beginning October 1, 2010, to be in effect until the long-term agreement takes effect;

- (4) present a recommendation for the short-term transitional agreement to council on or before July 29, 2010; and
- (5) evaluate the terms proposed by TDS and Balcones during negotiations with a preference toward a revenue positive net outcome for the City and the smallest possible carbon footprint.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2010    **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

Shirley A. Gentry  
City Clerk