

## ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

07/11/2012



Zero Waste Advisory Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes  
11 July, 2012

The Zero Waste Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on 11 July, 2012 at 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Council Chambers Room in Austin, Texas.

Chair Gerry Acuna called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Gerry Acuna, Rick Cofer, Brent Perdue, Jeff Paine, and James Nortey

Staff in Attendance:

Bob Gedert, Ron Romero, Blanche Quarterman, Dawn Whipple, Phil Tindall, Jessica Edwards, Keith Murray, Tony Davee, Catherine Esparza, Donald Hardee, Richard McHale, Richard Avila, Amy Slagle, Andy Dawson, Ourana Cacho and Gretchen Kingham

### 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

One Citizen spoke during the opportunity for citizen communication.

- a. Adam Gregory, Texas Disposal Systems, stated TDS will be accepting drop-off of clean polystyrene foam at no charge at their Creedmoor location. This will be done free of charge, unless they find major contamination issues.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the regular meeting of June 13, 2012 were approved on a Commissioner James Nortey motion; Commissioner Brent Perdue second on a 4-1-0 vote, Commissioner Rick Cofer abstained, Commissioners Faye Kazi and Cathy Gattuso were absent.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

#### Discussion and Action – FY13 Budget Revisions

Director Bob Gedert provided an update to revisions to the FY13 Budget.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

#### Routing Efficiencies

A vote to approve a Routing Efficiencies Resolution presented by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission was passed on a Commissioner Rick Cofer motion, Commissioner James Nortey second on a 5-0-0 vote. Commissioners Faye Kazi and Cathy Gattuso were absent.

### 5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

#### a. Colorado Study

Zac Coventry gave a presentation on Municipal Solid Waste to Energy, an environmental life cycle assessment perspective.

#### b. Brownfield Presentation

Brownfields Project Managers Tony Davee and Catherine Esparza presented gave a presentation on past, present, and future Brownfields projects within the Austin City Limits.

**c. Recycling Economic Development Update**

Director Gedert provided an updates on ARR's Recycling Economic Development plan.

**d. Director's Report**

Director Bob Gedert presented a report on the following items: Styrofoam, Single-Use-Bag Ordinance Update, Universal Recycling Ordinance Update, Master Plan Implementation Update, Council Items, Staffing, Performance Measures, and Statistical Reports.

**6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Food Trailer Recycling - August

Balcones Update - August

Single-Use-Bag Update, Director's Rules - August

Routing Efficiencies - September

9 Zones Report - October

Construction and Demolition Update - November

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Gerry Acuna adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. without objection.