CITY OF AUSTIN RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION VENDOR NAME: TOTER INCORPORATED

Subject: Authorize award and execution a contract through Texas Procurement and Support Services Cooperative Purchasing Program (TPASS) Term Contract 450-A2, administered by the State of Texas Controller of Public Accounts (CPA), with **TOTER INCORPORATED**, Statesville, NC, for the purchase of residential trash carts and recycling carts in an amount not to exceed \$4,366,828.38.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$4,366,828.38 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 approved CIP of the Austin Resource Recovery Department (ARR).

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

Agenda Category: Austin Resource Recovery

For More Information: Cruz Banda, Buyer II /972-4022

Prior Council Action: N/A

Boards and Commission Action: Zero Waste Advisory Commission – November 14, 2012.

MBE/WBE: This cooperative contract is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; no goals were established for this contract.

This contract is for the purchase of 32,752 residential trash carts and 55,667 recycling carts including lid graphics and assembly as well as delivery for 50,700 annexations and pilot areas for the Austin Resource Recovery (ARR) Department.

The trash carts are to be issued for the ARR Pay-As-You-Throw Program, which requires ARR customers to use City issued carts for the removal of residential trash. The purchase of trash carts is necessary to provide ARR with a sufficient supply of 32-, 64-, and 96-gallon trash carts readily available to replace existing customers' broken carts and to issue new carts on an as-needed basis.

The purchase of recycling carts is necessary to provide ARR with a sufficient supply of 64- and 96-gallon recycling carts readily available to replace existing customers' broken carts and to issue new recycling carts on an as-needed basis.

Toter-Incorporated is under contract with the CPA to supply various types of refuse containers (two-wheel carts) and services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing CPA contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's equipment on order.

