

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 28774 Agenda Number 7.

Meeting Date: 12/12/2013 Department: Solid Waste Services

Subject

Authorize execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County to promote and implement Zero Waste goals, programs, and initiatives shared between Travis County and the City of Austin.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 Operating Budget of Austin Resource Recovery.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing	
Language:	
Prior Council	Council Resolution 20110421-053
Action:	
For More	Bob Gedert, Director, Austin Resource Recovery, 512-974-1926; Tammie Williamson,
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Boards and	November 13, 2013 - Approved by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission on a 5-0 vote with Commissioner Paine absent.
Commission	
Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This item authorizes the City Manager to execute an interlocal agreement that would accomplish promotion and implementation of Zero Waste goals, programs, and initiatives shared between Travis County and the City of Austin.

In April 2011, Council passed Resolution 20110421-053 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate an interlocal agreement with Travis County for the promotion and implementation of Zero Waste and return to the Zero Waste Advisory Commission and City Council with an agreement for consideration and authorization to execute.

Travis County Staff and City of Austin Staff identified several opportunities to partner, including:

- Continuing and expanding residential access to household hazardous waste management;
- Streamlining brush, bulk, trash, and recycling collection among city and county facilities;
- Adopting similar and improved waste diversion standards at county facilities as currently utilized at city facilities; and
- Utilizing similar educational materials for all city and county residents and businesses where applicable.