



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZERO WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL ROOM 1001
301 W 2ND ST.
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, contact Gustavo Valle, 512-974-4350, Gustavo.Valle@austintexas.gov.

CURRENT [BOARD MEMBERS OR COMMISSIONERS]:

Gerry Acuna, Chair	Caitlin Griffith	Seth Whaland
Ian Steyaert, Vice Chair	John L. Harris	Vacant
Melissa Caudle	Ali Ishaq	Vacant
Michael Drohan	Iris Suddaby	

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 5 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Zero Waste Advisory Commission Regular meeting on November 12, 2025.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Approve a recommendation to Council to authorize negotiation and execution of contracts for consulting services for Austin Resource Recovery with Baer Engineering & Environmental Consulting, Inc., Intera Inc., TRC Environmental Corporation d/b/a Trc, and Zara Environmental, LLC, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Funding: \$150,000 is available through the Operating Budget, and \$50,000 is available through the Capital Budget of Austin Resource Recovery. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

3. Approve a recommendation to Council to authorize a contract for Central Business District Collection Services for Austin Resource Recovery (ARR) with Texas Disposal Systems, Inc d/b/a Texas Disposal Systems, for an initial term of 3 years with up to two 1-year extension options in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000. Funding: \$2,333,333 is available in the Operating Budget of Austin Resource Recovery. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

4. Staff briefing regarding Public Information and Marketing. Presentation by Paul Bestgen, Marketing Supervisor for the Public Information Office at Austin Resource Recovery.
5. Staff briefing on the status of Austin Resource Recovery Operational and Administrative projects by Richard McHale, Director of Austin Resource Recovery.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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