

RESOLUTION NO. 20170323-055

WHEREAS, the City provides valuable services to Austin ratepayers in regards to refuse, recycling, organics, and special waste collection, processing and disposal for City facilities; and Austin Water provides services related to biosolids and compost; and

WHEREAS, the City enters into contracts with private companies to meet the goals for waste diversion set by City Council, and to protect the public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, City Council must approve policy and certain contracts on behalf of the City departments; and

WHEREAS, the Austin community has a specific and important interest in solid waste policies and contracts due to the importance to our environment and waste diversion goals; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

A working group is created, composed of four City Council members, to examine waste management and biosolids policy issues and contracts, especially as they relate to organics and recycling.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The appointments to this working group will be Council Member Leslie Pool, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Delia Garza and Council Member Alison Alter.

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The City Manager is directed to provide the necessary resources to support the efforts of the working group.

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The working group may expand the scope of the topics to be examined, to include issues such as Class 2 industrial non-hazardous waste, reusable items and other issues related to solid waste policy and contracts as it deems necessary.

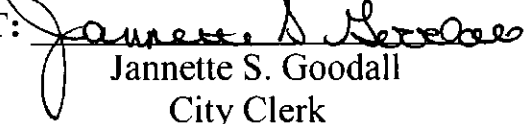
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The working group shall provide its recommendations to the Zero Waste Advisory Commission and any other appropriate board or commission as necessary, and to City Council by June 1, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Unless extended by City Council, the working group will automatically dissolve after providing its recommendations to City Council on June 1, 2017.

ADOPTED: March 23, 2017

ATTEST: 
Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk