

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:00 AM

Electronic Meeting

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG)
2180 North Main Street
Belton, TX 76513

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Voting Members Present

Chair Zoe Rascoe – Citizen Representative
Vice Chair Bill Parry – City of Gatesville
Bill Gould – City of Killeen
Heather Caldwell for Justin Brantley – City of Temple

Commissioner Daren Moore – Coryell County Second Vice Chair Duane Herrera – Bell County

John Trigg – Industry Representative Paul Daugereau – Waste Management

Additional Attendees

Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville James McGill – CTCOG Kendra Coufal - CTCOG

- 1. Call to Order: Zoe Rascoe called the meeting to order at 10:01am.
- 2. Public Comments: No comments were made by the public.
- 3. Staff Update: Temple HHW Event; RSWMP Update; Texas Arbor Day; Air Quality.

James McGill informed the group that Temple was hosting an HHW event on Saturday, October 24th from 9am-2pm. Mr. McGill also informed the SWAC on how the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan update was going and that Texas Arbor Day was being hosted on November 6th by the City of Harker Heights. Air Quality for the month of September was 51 ppb at the Temple station and 51 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Approval of May 28, 2020 meeting minutes.

Bill Parry made a motion to approve the May 28, 2020 electronic meeting minutes, seconded by John Trigg; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Officer elections for the FY20-21 biennium.

James McGill informed the group that amid all of the staff transition in FY20, officer elections for the FY20-21 biennium were never held. Mr. McGill stated that the last elections were held in August 2017 and that staff recommends that the SWAC allow the current officers to continue in their positions through the rest of this biennium and hold fresh elections in the spring or summer.

Bill Parry made a motion to allow the current SWAC officers to continue in their positions through the end of the biennium, seconded by Paul Daugereau; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion Item: Future updates to the SWAC Bylaws.

James McGill stated that in their review of the SWAC Bylaws staff saw that some possible language updates are needed to reflect the way that the SWAC currently operates. Mr. McGill informed the group that staff is proposing to discuss, review, and revise the SWAC Bylaws at a January meeting. Zoe Rascoe mentioned that the most important updates are needed to the language governing SWAC electronic meetings.

7. Discussion Item: Texas Clean and Healthy Initiative and Stakeholder Event.

Kara Escajeda, the City Manager of Nolanville provided an overview of the Texas Clean and Healthy Initiative stakeholder event. Ms. Escajeda explained some brief highlights of discussions at the event regarding how to improve the solid waste system and solve solid waste issues in the region.

8. Discussion Item: Update on FY20 CTCOG HHW events.

James McGill provided an update to the group on FY20 CTCOG HHW events. Mr. McGill stated that two planned FY20 events, Gatesville and Mills County, were cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Mr. McGill informed the group that the Gatesville event was being rescheduled to FY21 and that the Mills event would not be rescheduled. Mr. McGill also shared that two events, Killeen's and Temple's were held during FY20.

9. Discussion and Action Item: Allocate remaining FY20 solid waste funding.

James McGill informed the group that with the Mills County event being cancelled and some funds not being allocated for FY20, that an additional \$15,000 was available to roll over into FY21. Mr. McGill also stated that staff had received a request from the City of Killeen for an additional \$5,000 to cover increased costs at their FY20 event.

Duane Herrera made a motion to roll over all \$15,000 into FY21, seconded by Bill Parry; the motion passed unanimously.

10. Discussion Item: Allocate remaining FY20 solid waste funding.

FY21 HHW event applicants provided the committee with a general overview of their specific applications and answered any questions. Applicants included:

- City of Gatesville
- City of Temple

- City of Killeen
- Bell County
- Milam County

11. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding scoring, selection, and allocation of FY21 funds for HHW events.

Zoe Rascoe informed the group that Gatesville will be using the \$15,000 allocated to them for FY20. The SWAC discussed funding for the rest of the applications and how best to schedule out the events, so they are not bunched together. Following this discussion, the SWAC decided to award the following amounts as requested by the applicants:

- City of Temple to receive \$15,000
- City of Gatesville to receive \$15,000
- Bell County to receive \$2,000
- City of Killeen to receive \$20,000
- Milam County to receive \$10,000

Specific dates for each event would be later confirmed. The SWAC also allowed \$28,000 to remain unallocated for FY21 to possibly go to another event or be added to the funding for the Milam County event.

Bill Parry made a motion approve the funding in the amounts listed above, seconded by Heather Caldwell; the motion passed unanimously.

12. Member Comments:

Zoe Rascoe and Bill Parry mentioned the possibility of partnering with the Texas Department of Agriculture to host an agriculture pesticides collection event. Duane Herrera requested a flyer with event times and locations for advertising purposes.

13. Next Meeting: January 21, 2021

14. Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 11:13am.

Zoe Rascoe, SWAC Chair

Urvan Nelson, CTCOG PRS Director