



## North Central Texas Council of Governments

# Summary

### Resource Conservation Council

Thursday, March 11, 2021

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Virtual Meeting; [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

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Chair: Steve Massey, City of Allen

Vice Chair: Kathy Fonville, City of Mesquite

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions.

- 2. Notification of Conflicts of Interest.** Steve Massey, Chair of the Resource Conservation Council (RCC), will request RCC representatives with a potential conflict of interest relating to an agenda item to notify the RCC of the conflict of interest.

#### ACTION ITEMS

- 3. Meeting Summary.** The [November 12, 2020 meeting summary](#) will be presented for approval.

[Tiana Svenson \(City of Garland\)](#) made a motion and [Grace Darling \(Arlington Conservation Council\)](#) seconded the motion to approve the November 12, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

- 4. FY22-23 Solid Waste Grant Program – Grant Application Guidelines and Call for Projects Timeline.** Kathy Fonville, Vice Chair, will present the Grant Selection Subcommittee's recommended Grant Application Guidelines and Call for Projects Timeline to the RCC for approval. Additionally, the RCC will discuss topics and budgets for FY22-23 regional projects.

[A motion to approve the grant application guidelines and call for projects timeline](#) was made by [Kathy Fonville](#). [Dustin Deel \(City of Weatherford\)](#) seconded the motion, which then passed unanimously.

[Cassidy Campbell \(NCTCOG\)](#) provided an overview of potential regional project topics discussed by the Grant Selection Subcommittee. The priority topics recommended by the Grant Selection Subcommittee include organic waste, waste disposal capacity and recycling. Additionally, the Grant Selection Subcommittee recommends not funding another waste characterization assessment at this time. After discussing the Subcommittee's recommendations, the RCC added tires to the list of topics for a potential regional project to



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address. The Regional Management Plan Subcommittee will meet in April 2021 and provide additional recommendations to the RCC in May 2021 for consideration.

### PRESENTATION

5. **Third Waste Characterization Assessment Results.** Burns and McDonnell, Inc. will present the results of the October 2020 waste characterization assessment that was performed in association with the Regional Recycling Survey and Education Campaign.

Scott Pasternak and Eric Weiss (Burns and McDonnell) presented on the waste characterization study methodology, outcomes, and year-over-year trends.

### DISCUSSION

6. **87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session.** NCTCOG will provide an update on bills of interest.

Hannah Allen (NCTCOG) provided an update on bills of interest for the 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature. The legislative matrix can be found online [here](#).

HB 753: Has major implications for local governments and franchising of solid waste pickup. NCTCOG will investigate if the bill only relates to commercial or if it includes cities and counties.

HB 914: Primary focus seems to be code enforcement and does not appear to have illegal dumping implications. Committee has requested Hannah Allen review the bill and determine if it should be removed from the matrix.

SB 1276: relates to public health improvement and pollution reduction through recycling incentives; assessing a fee. More information was requested by multiple participants on the call on information such as equity, financing, and how it relates to existing legislation.

7. **NCTCOG Updates.** NCTCOG will update the RCC on items of interest.

- a. Recycle Roundtable – The next meeting will be April 1, 2021 at 10 AM via Microsoft Teams. More information can be found [here](#).
- b. Western Region Solid Waste Capacity Study – More information on the Study can be found [here](#).
- c. FY2020-2021 Solid Waste Grants – Grants are expected to be complete by June 2021.
- d. Regional Solid Waste Management Plan - The Request for Proposals closed on March 11 and proposals will be scored in the end of March 2021.
- e. EPA Region 4 Trash Free Waters Grant - Information on the Trash Free Waters Grant can be found on the [project webpage](#).
- f. EPA “Supporting Anaerobic Digestion in Communities” Grant - NCTCOG will be conducting a regional study that will advance regional efforts to divert food waste



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and other organics from landfills. The next step is to establish and convene an advisory group of diverse stakeholders to help guide the study.

- g. Regional Electronics Recycling Contract - Information on the Regional Electronics Recycling Contract can be found [here](#).
- h. COVID-19 and Waste Management Discussion – Next meeting will be held Wednesday March 24, at 2:30. More information can be found [here](#).
- i. Regional Tire Disposal and Recycling Initiative – The NCTCOG Transportation Department is currently working on development of a Regional Tire Scrap Handlers Database to assist with local government tire disposal projects.
- j. Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update - NCTCOG has partnered with ICLEI Sustainable Communities to conduct a Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory of North Central Texas. There is currently a regional city cohort that is still open for [interested cities to join](#). The deadline to join the city cohort is April 16.
- k. Vehicle and Equipment Funding Opportunities - The NCTCOG Transportation Department provided information on current funding opportunities for local governments relating to Clean Fleets North Texas, North Texas Emissions Reduction, and Diesel Emissions Reductions Act.
- l. Senate Bill 1376 Toolkit – Resources and information regarding Senate Bill 1376 can be found [here](#).

**8. Future Agenda Items.** The RCC may suggest future agenda items.  
[No future agenda items were discussed.](#)

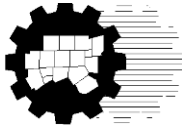
**9. Roundtable Topics.** The RCC may share additional items of interest.  
[No roundtable topics were discussed.](#)

**10. Schedule for the Next RCC Meeting.** The next RCC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 1:30 PM. The meeting will be virtual.

**11. Adjournment.**

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or agenda items, please contact Cassidy Campbell by phone at (817) 608-2368, or by email at [ccampbell@nctcog.org](mailto:ccampbell@nctcog.org).

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<b>NAME</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>REPRESENTS</b>
Rick Bailey	X	Johnson County
Robert Berndt	X	Tarrant County
David Bull	X	Ellis County
Greta Calvery		Waste Management
Cecile Carson	X	Keep America Beautiful
Rick Crownover		City of Granbury
Grace Darling	X	Arlington Conservation Council
Betsy Deck		City of Euless
Dustin Deel	X	City of Weatherford
Kathy Fonville	X	City of Mesquite
Steve Funk		City of Plano
Joey Highfill		Wise County
Lora Hinchcliff	X	Living Earth
Vince Hrabal		Republic Services
Tyler Hurd		City of Irving
Sunanda Katragadda		City of Arlington
Steve Massey	X	City of Allen
Jeff Mayfield		North Texas Municipal Water District
Danielle McClelland		City of Dallas
Robert Medigovich	X	Community Waste Disposal, Inc.
Joshua Mounger		Collin County Sheriff's Office
Rudy Phillips	X	Dallas County Health & Human Services
Howard Redfearn	X	City of Mansfield
Patricia Redfearn	X	City of Grand Prairie
Ami Reeder	X	City of Denton
Melanie Sattler	X	University of Texas at Arlington
John Schafer	X	Waste Connections
Robert Smouse	X	City of Fort Worth
Dewey Stoffels	X	City of Grapevine
Tiana Svendsen	X	City of Garland
Corey Troiani	<i>Kevin Richardson (alt)</i>	Texas Campaign for the Environment
Amanda Valdez		City of Benbrook
Duy Vu	X	City of Cedar Hill
Risa Weinberger		Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc.
Tim Yatko	X	City of Lewisville