



City of Ann Arbor

Legislative File Number 08-1161 (version 2)

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Resolution to Accept the Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations

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Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan Update in 2002 that includes an overall recycling diversion goal (including the entire commercial sector) of 60% of the overall solid waste stream - approximately 40,200 tons/year for both City-serviced and non-City-serviced commercial customers;

Whereas, The City Council accepted the Environmental Commission's report entitled "Commercial Recycling Recommendations" and endorsed the recommendations in that report on July 2, 2007;

Whereas, The City Council directed the City Administrator and staff to develop where appropriate specific ordinances, regulations, programs and educational resources to implement the recommendations;

Whereas, The City Council directed the City Administrator and staff to evaluate the franchising of commercial solid waste collection services within the City;

Whereas, The City Council directed the Ann Arbor Environmental Commission to create a multi-stakeholder Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee of affected business groups to facilitate input from the business community related to the implementation of specific recommendations;

Whereas, The Environmental Commission established the Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee and accepted their report entitled "Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations" and endorsed their recommendations on December 4, 2008;

Whereas, the City Administrator and staff have proposed a commercial solid waste collection franchise contract, a commercial recycling ordinance and a proposed commercial solid waste collection rate schedule; and

Whereas, The Environmental Commission recommends that the City Council accept and endorse the report and its recommendations;

RESOLVED, That the City Council accepts the report entitled "Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations" and endorses the recommendations contained therein;

RESOLVED, That the City Council directs the City Administrator and staff to implement the report recommendations, including the development of specific ordinances and a franchise waste collection contract with the selected vendor; and

RESOLVED, That the City Council create a multi-stakeholder oversight committee to assist the staff in the development of a solid waste collection rate schedule, which would be adopted prior to the July 1, 2009 start-up date for the solid waste franchise and the commercial recycling program, and that includes, at a minimum, a review of the frequency of pickup, the number of containers per pickup, and the weight of waste material per waste container.

..Staff

Submitted by Councilmember Teall and Hohnke

As Amended by Ann Arbor City Council on January 5, 2009