



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment
Whereas, Part 115 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 194 PA 451, as enforced by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), requires each Michigan County to have a Solid Waste Management Plan to assure that solid waste generated in the county is collected and recovered, processed or disposed of for a ten-year period at facilities that comply with state laws and rules;

Whereas, In furtherance of the statutory requirements, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners appointed a 14-member Solid Waste Planning Committee in August 2015 to amend Washtenaw County's 1999 Solid Waste Management Plan both in response to a request to expand the Arbor Hills Landfill and to reflect updated solid waste and recycling goals, objectives, and priorities;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor's Solid Waste and Recycling Program Coordinator Christina Gomes was appointed to represent the mandated "city government" seat on the Solid Waste Planning Committee;

Whereas, Pursuant to Michigan statute, the draft Solid Waste Management Plan amendment was opened to a lengthy and robust public comment period, held from April through October 2017, which included a presentation to the City of Ann Arbor's Environmental Commission on July 27, 2017;

Whereas, On December 6, 2017, the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment was formally approved by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, and must next be presented to the twenty-eight jurisdictions within Washtenaw County for their consideration and approval action prior to submittal to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final approval; and

Whereas, On December 7, 2017, the Ann Arbor Environmental Commission unanimously passed a resolution supporting the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment, and recommending that the Ann Arbor City Council approve the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment and support the amended plan being submitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final State approval;

RESOLVED, That Ann Arbor City Council support the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment; and

RESOLVED, That Ann Arbor City Council approve the 2017 Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment, and supports the amended plan being submitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for final State approval.